

JANUARY 2017

# THE NUGGET



*Ivey Memorial UMC*

## PASTOR'S ARTICLE

Dear Ivey,

In this issue of the Nugget, a serious emphasis is placed upon our desire to meet our first-mile giving opportunities. I pray you will generously gather yourself in prayer and discernment to meet these gifts to allow God's joy to be evidenced in others.

Bless You always,

Pax Christi,

Jim

1 Peter 3.15

## WORSHIP LEADER'S CORNER



### **Greeters**

**8:30**

Jan. 1	
Jan. 8	Beth Honea
Jan. 15	Clay & Carene Edwards
Jan. 22	Steve & Maria Earley
Jan. 29	Debbie Reckart

**11:00**

Dabney & Stuart Short
Dennis & Brenda Harrup
Jo Robinson & Marlene Wheelhouse
Bob & Carolyn Galusha
Mary Anne Bellamy

### **Counters**

First Service:	Bruce & Donna Brockwell
Second Service:	Dennis & Janice Ganoe

### **Lay Readers**

**8:30**

Jan. 1	
Jan. 8	George Robertson
Jan. 15	Carene Edwards
Jan. 22	Debbie Reckart
Jan. 29	Brenda Patterson

**11:00**

Dabney Short
Stuart Short
Chris Ganoe
Houston Baker
Kelle Neblett

### **Acolytes**

**8:30**

Jan. 1	
Jan. 8	Cameren Farmer
Jan. 15	Iris Hoye
Jan. 22	Jimiya Harris
Jan. 29	Cameren Farmer

**11:00**

Gabriel Sparks
Ean Smith
Morgan Erner
Gabriel Sparks
Ean Smith

## APPORTIONMENT UPDATE

### Apportionment Update

We want to thank everyone who attended our all church meeting and all who brought ideas. It was apparent that you love Ivey Church and wish to maintain its success as a single point charge. Within a few days of the meeting the team met to formalize a plan with many of the ideas.

It was this message, with the plan in narrative form, which Pastor Jim and I took to Dr. Rob Colwell, our District Superintendent. Dr. Colwell was receptive to our plan and interested to note how quickly we pursued involving the whole church to educate the congregation, determine the will of Ivey and to develop a plan. He mentioned that he would likely have chosen a different route to share the information but noted that we seemed to have a handle on what would work best at Ivey based on the excellent participation.

Dr. Colwell Seemed impressed by our willingness to formulate a plan so quickly and to bring it to him for review. He noted that he felt our plan was workable and creative and asked if we thought there would be adequate participation among enough members in the church to make it work as that is the key to the plan's success.

The one thing not included in our plan was a ministerial salary reduction or change of pastor. That is totally the purview of the DS and the conference and we asked for his guidance regarding the pastoral care that would be of the most benefit to Ivey Church. He implied to us that no decision was yet made, but I do have complete confidence that he does have Ivey's best interest at heart in this decision.

Dr. Colwell was also pleased to see that we included in our plan a goal of \$10,000 for 2016 and appreciated the opportunity to designate the distribution of the funds toward individual apportionments. We met this goal as a result of gifts from many of you and I THANK YOU.

Included here is the financial piece of the plan that was presented and I would like to point out a few of the new ideas that we plan to implement or have already begun.

First let me say that there will be a number of 'eating opportunities' to support missional apportionments. You will likely be eating Sunday dinner somewhere so please plan to do so with your friends here at Ivey. All of the proceeds from your donations at these luncheons will go to pay our missional apportionments.

Another of the items in the plan is a Brunswick Stew in later Spring. This will be a joint effort between the scouts and the church. Get your freezer empty so you'll be ready to stock up.

One of the creative ideas which we incorporated is a metal drive. Mark Oakes will be orchestrating this for us and so as spring-cleaning comes around we hope you will save and donate metal for recycling. From aluminum drink cans to discarded grills; old basketball goal poles to swing sets; your heavy metal is appreciated. It will take tons of metal to meet our \$1000 goal and it all adds up. You'll be helping yourself clean-up discarded items, recycling to help the environment and helping Ivey all at the same time.

We have already begun the insurance analysis as well as some thermostat replacement and programming. You may have noticed also that there is a collection box near the Upper Rooms as was suggested.

Another suggestion was that we provide 3x5 donation cards noting specific office supplies that are used most frequently. By far our biggest supply need is paper: white, colors, 8.5 x 11, 8.5 x 14, 11 x 17 and envelopes. For years we have been recycling print and ink cartridges donated by a local business. We can recycle as many as twenty a month earning \$40 credit from Staples that we then use for supply purchases. Your donations of paper or used cartridges are appreciated. You may also note that we have reduced the number of bulletins printed for each service. There were a lot of extras being discarded so if you find we run short on any Sunday, please share.

## APPORTIONMENT UPDATE continued

Many have promised an increase in their giving to help toward the apportionment goal and I thank each and every one of you. In year two of the plan, the note on the Shops at Ivey will be paid in full and that will free-up a sizable amount that boosts our plan. You may have other questions as you review the plan and if so I hope you will call me directly.

At this point we are one month into a 37 month plan and have already been successful with several parts of the plan. When you are called on to help implement the many ideas and suggestions there should be just one answer:

"I'd be Delighted!"

Everyone's help and participation will be needed for us to meet our goals.

Thankfully submitted

Beth Honea

## Ivey Memorial UMC Apportionment Payment Plan

	2016	2017	2018	2019
Additional Giving	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Stewardship Program				
Tithing Focus				
Centering Calls				
Vasiloff Note paid off			\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Metal Collection Drive		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Brunswick Stew 50/50		\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 1,650.00
Luncheon Third Sundays		\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,600.00
Shop Insurance				
Upper Room Reimbursement		\$ 480.00	\$ 480.00	\$ 480.00
E-mail Nugget		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Office & Supply donations**		\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Program Thermostats		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
volunteerism				
Payroll Reduction			\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
Additional plans				\$ 8,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,530.00</b>	<b>\$ 41,730.00</b>	<b>\$ 49,730.00</b>

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

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The Ivey UMW met on December 7, 2016 at Johnnie Humphrey's home for our Christmas gathering and gift exchange. Eleven members were present. Good food and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

Two Ivey UMW members attended the 2016 Advent Worship and Retreat at Carson United Methodist Church on December 3, 2016. Rev. Donna Smith, Chaplain for the Greenville Correctional Institute, spoke on Prison Ministry and the bible study she leads with the inmates. Rev. Smith is also the pastor of Lebanon United Methodist Church in Sutherland, Virginia. After lunch, our hands on mission project involved filling 100-gallon size bags with hygiene items for the homeless in our district.

Our UMW unit will continue to focus on the issue of Domestic Violence for our Social Action Project for 2017. We also support the James House in its effort to help victims of domestic violence.

At the end of each year, we disburse funds to support UMW projects locally and worldwide. Details of projects and financial help will be forthcoming in the Nugget in the next few months.

United Methodist Day at the Virginia General Assembly will be on February 2, 2017. If you are interested in attending, please contact Rookie or Carene.

Our UMW annual Yard/Bake Sale will be in April, 2017. Stay tuned for more details.

**Happy New Year and God Bless.**

**Rookie Hale and Carene Edwards  
Co-Presidents**

## MISSION LUNCHEON

**We will be having our first Third Sunday Mission Lunch on January 15<sup>th</sup>.  
Bruce Brockwell has agreed to prepare his famous baked spaghetti for us. (YUM!)  
Lunch is by donation and all proceeds will go to pay our missional apportionments.  
Please join us for lunch after second service on January 15<sup>th</sup>.**

## FUNDRAISERS TO SUPPORT

**Ivey's All Stars fundraiser luncheon!**

We will have a fundraiser Pasta luncheon after the 11am service on January 8 to help fund our PassportKids trip. The cost is by donation. Come enjoy lunch and fellowship with your church

family while supporting our children!  
Hope to see you there!



**BBQ Fundraiser:** Ivey's youth will be selling BBQ butts ready on Super Bowl weekend (February 4-5).

See any youth member or Eva Booth to place your order.

The cost is \$25 each payable at time of your order.

**Orders are due by January 31!**

### Fifth Sunday Service

Another of our new plans for 2017 is a Stewardship Focus - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday program. Our first in this series is January 29<sup>th</sup>. Bringing us the message that day is Steve Clark the president of the United Methodist Foundation. Following the second service will be a luncheon that incorporates a practical approach to finances in a Q & A seminar. We will be inviting other local churches to join us as this is a special privilege to have Steve with us.



### Revitalization Team



Our Revitalization Team made great strides this year with its initiatives. We will have a meeting **Saturday, January 14 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon** to look at what we have accomplished and chart the way for 2017.

All Revitalization Team members are asked to attend this meeting. Anyone who was not on the team last year but would like to join us this year is welcome to attend. Come help Ivey grow spiritually, socially, and educationally so we can share the love of Christ with each other and the local community.

### Nugget Options

One of the ideas presented at the all-church meeting was to save postage by publishing the Nugget online and e-mail then the congregation and make it available for pick-up at the church for all others.

Please note that the bulk mail non-profit price for mailing the Nugget is 17 to 19 cents per piece and there must be a minimum of 200 items to use bulk mail. We are currently mailing about 210 pieces, so if that is reduced to just 80 mailed there will be no postage savings but we would have a paper savings.

Please tell us your preference on the form below and return this to the church any time in January, call the office at 804-526-1350 or e-mail the church office at [opendoors@IveyMemorial.org](mailto:opendoors@IveyMemorial.org)

We will determine the best option(s) based on your combined responses.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ E-mail the Nugget to me at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Post on the Ivey web-site and I will view it there.

\_\_\_ I will pick the Nugget up in the narthex.

\_\_\_ Please continue to mail the Nugget to me.

## Chili Cook-Off

Ivey's annual Chili Cook-Off will be **Saturday, January 28, from 11:00 to 2:00**. Please get your chili recipes ready and sign up to enter the cook-off. Competition is for best hot, best mild, most unusual, and best overall. The cook-off is lots of fun. We need at least 10 contestants to make the competition interesting. Please call the church office at 526-1350 to enter as a contestant. Deadline for entry is January 25.

If you do not make chili, please mark your calendar to come sample the chili and vote. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors.



**Saturday  
January 28, 2017  
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**



## TADPOLES AND JR. FELLOWSHIP

### All Stars: All children 1st - 5th grade

January 1: New Year's Day - No meeting

January 8: Fundraiser luncheon after church - parent meeting immediately following luncheon

January 15: Regular meeting

January 22: Regular meeting

January 29: Regular meeting

Contact Eva Booth with any questions. 804-586-5044, emrbPOOH@yahoo.com

### Youth - All youth 6th - 12th grade

January 1: New Year's Day - No meeting

January 8: regular meeting - Debbie & Angie leading

January 8: Youth Council meeting - pot luck dinner 6pm

January 15: Regular meeting

January 22: Regular meeting

January 29: Regular meeting

Contact Eva Booth with any questions. 804-586-5044, emrbPOOH@yahoo.com

