# Serving and Sharing Newsletter

# August 2022

Dear Sisters,

As a new calendar year begins for the Provincial Women's Board, it is sad to see some Board members leaving, but it is exciting to have new ladies joining us.

Those leaving are Rev. Betty Helms from New Hope Moravian, Julia Horton from Friedland Moravian, Susan Parker from Clemmons Moravian, Dorothy Pettus from St. Philips Moravian, Ann Radford from Home Moravian, and Becky Ward from New Philadelphia Moravian. These women have given so much of their time and talents working on this Board. They will be missed, but they will not be forgotten.

We are happy to welcome to the Board Rev. Kelly Moore, Heather Allen from Friedland, Rev. Eulencine Christopher, who serves Prince of Peace, King of Kings, Margate Fellowship, Suriname Moravian Fellowship, Palm Beach, and New Hope, FL., all located in Florida. We also have Mary Elen Kollman from Home Moravian, Jane Shore from New Philadelphia, and Mary Winters from Olivet.

Paula White from Hopewell will serve as Vice-President of the board. It is exciting for me to serve a 2<sup>nd</sup> term as President of the Board. I feel honored to serve with all the women of this Board.

We are looking forward to an exciting year. The Spiritual Life Retreat will be held in September, and next year we will return to the usual time in April. We will have our Fall Celebration in October, and we will host the female pastors for a luncheon in November.

As we begin this time, let us not forget that God has a plan for us. Our days, our time, and all the events this board initiates are to glorify our God!

#### Pam Prevatte



Front Row: Rev. Kelly Moore, Linda Worley, Martha Johnson, Pam Prevatte, Mary Elen Kollman, Julia Horton, Jane Shore, and Susan Parker. Second Row: Faye Bricca, Rev. Eulencine Christopher, Kay Vance, Kaye Brookshire, Judy Albert, Heather Allen, Becky Ward, Mary Winters. Not Pictured: Vicki Stanfield, Diane Clifton, Rev. Betty Helms. Ann Radford, Paula White and Dorothy Pettus

# Fall Celebration and Studybook Workshop:

On Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will gather at New Philadelphia for our Fall Celebration and Silent Auction. After the coffee hour at 9:00 a.m. and devotions at 9:30 a.m., Julie Tomberlin will review the mission study and Rev. Kelly Moore will introduce the Bible study. Lunch will be catered by New Philly and will be \$10 per person. Reservations will be required by Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, made through the PWB office. Each women's group is encouraged to contribute an item for the silent auction. Further details will be sent to the individual churches.

Submitted by Faye Bricca

# From the Office:

The Next Serving and Sharing Newsletter will be published on Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. The deadline for submitting articles will be Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.

If you ordered Bible and/or Mission Study books, we will contact you from the office to set up a time to pick them up. At this time, we are still waiting for them to be delivered.

# From You:

# Hope:

We are very excited to welcome Rev. Margaret Norris as our new pastor. She was installed at Hope on July 17th, followed by a reception. We are so very blessed to have Pastor Margaret and her husband Keith join us.

August is a busy month for Hope. August 21<sup>st</sup> is the blessing of the backpacks. This is a way to let our students and teachers know that God is with them at school and that our church community cares and supports them.

August 27-28<sup>th</sup>: Join us to celebrate our 242<sup>nd</sup> anniversary. On Saturday, the 27<sup>th</sup>: band prelude at 6:45 p.m., followed by vespers and Holy Communion service at 7:00 p.m. (to be held on the church grounds in front of the Gemeinhaus). Then, on Sunday, the 28<sup>th</sup>: at 9:45 a.m., band prelude; 10:00 a.m., worship with lovefeast; and 11:15 a.m., anniversary picnic.

We do invite all to join us every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month for our community

lunch. It is always a wonderful time of fellowship!

Lastly, we will begin making chicken pies in September and have them available to purchase at \$12 for the large and \$6 for the small pies.

Blessings, Linda Worley

# <u>Mizpah:</u>

We're a crafty bunch at Mizpah. Well, some of us are, and the rest of us are carried on a wave of their inspiration. Most recently, we were inspired by the Kindness Rock Project, which says you're to paint a rock with pretty colors and images [here's where the crafty ladies carry the rest of us] and include an inspirational saying, then drop them in places where they can be found. So far, our rocks have been deposited at restaurants, in neighborhoods and in shopping centers in the hope that they will encourage those who might pick them up.



But one of our rocks made its way to the Holy Land, to the garden at the Church of the Beatitudes where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount. Wouldn't it be lovely if that rock from Rural Hall, NC blessed

someone who was "poor in spirit" with a message of hope? We pray so.



We have a long and committed relationship with Old Richmond Elementary School, donating needed supplies but also providing encouragement for teachers and staff. Here's the message that accompanies the gift bags of mints we delivered to start this new school year:



"Thank you for your Commit-MINT, Involve-MINT and Encourage-MINT

to Old Richmond students this year."

September 11<sup>th</sup> will be Mizpah's 126<sup>th</sup> anniversary, as we wrap up celebrating 125 years, reflecting on God's grace and mercy to us. Rev. Charles Fishel will bring the message at 11:00 a.m., followed by lunch on the grounds.

Submitted by Judy Albert

### Clemmons:

Clemmons Moravian bazaar is scheduled for November 12<sup>th</sup>. We plan to have frozen chicken pies for sale at the bazaar. Interested vendors should contact Peggy Hagood at 336-766-2357

Submitted by Judy Carter

# New Philadelphia:

The Women's **Fellowship** at New Philadelphia is a caring and busy fellowship, even through Covid 19. Our circles continue to meet once a month for Bible study, mission study and fellowship, and we also continue to give financial support and other gifts to various agencies and causes. Our annual projects include our making lovefeast candles for our Christmas lovefeasts; placing flowers on graves in NPMC God's Acre on Easter Saturday; bereavement visitations; making chicken pies; trimming over 3,000 candles in December and many other projects that come along when asked to help out including provincial lunches and dinners. We keep in contact with our shut-ins. The past two years we have changed the way that we have traditionally done things. Candle trimming was done a bit differently but was well received by all.

NP will host the annual Provincial Women's Fall Festival on October 22<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 9:00 a.m. for coffee fellowship, 9:30 a.m. meeting, and noon lunch.

Our Holiday Treasures Sale will be held this year on November  $5^{\text{th}}$  in our Fellowship Hall from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Everyone is invited to come out on November  $5^{\text{th}}$ .

Several of our ladies are members of Sunday School classes. The New Friendship SS class will have a yard sale on October 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 a.m., and the Advent SS class will host a shredding event on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by Jane Shore

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# FALL CHILDREN'S CONSIGNMENT SALE

The Fall Children's Consignment Sale will feature gently used fall and winter children's clothes (including teens), costumes, toys, books, baby gear, maternity clothes, & more!

New consigners are welcome – receive up to 70% of your sales!

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 - 8AM -12PM THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 - 5PM - 7PM FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 8AM - 12PM FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - 5PM - 7PM SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 - 9AM - 12PM



# FALL CHICKEN PIE & COUNTRY HAM SUPPER AND BAZAAR

The Women's Fellowship invites you to their annual Fall Chicken Pie & Country Ham Supper and Bazaar at the Family Life Center.

Dine-in or take-out!

Frozen chicken pies will be available.

The bazaar will also offer crafts, plants, baked goods, and more. Proceeds will go toward outreach & mission projects.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 - 4PM - 7PM

Submitted by Martha Thomas

#### Christ:

The Fall Event at Christ will be October 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: baked items, breakfast and lunch (hot dogs, soup and pintos) will be available. There will also be vendors and a yard sale.

Submitted by Kathy Conrad

# RCC:

On July 20th, the South Branch RCC (Advent, Community Fellowship, Hope, Hopewell and Konnoak) hosted an event to pray for

the people of the Ukraine and raise money by forwarding funds through the World Mission Board. There were sunflower pins made by one of Konnoak's Sunday School classes, plenty of hot dogs, with all the trimmings and special desserts. The highlight of the evening, attended by more than 100 people, was a video from the Czech Republic highlighting the work being done to aid the Ukrainian refugees. Funds raised were in excess of \$6,000.

Submitted by Martha Johnson

### Bethania:

The Women of Bethania have taken a couple of months off during the summer, but we are back at work again making chicken pies. We will sell pies at the Black Walnut Festival to be held on September 17<sup>th</sup>. We will continue to make pies in the coming months. We are also sponsoring a bake sale along with the sale of pies Festival. Another event we will be sponsoring is a Chicken Pie Take Out Supper to be held in November. ladies have been taking a break from circle meetings but will start back up in September. We are excited about being able to come back together to have fellowship and studying the new Bible Study books.

Submitted by Barbara Peiffer

#### Fairview:

Our fall craft fair is November 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. till noon. Tables are \$25 and provided. For contact, call Melinda Yarbrough on her cell at 336-413-1072.

We provided school supplies for Speas Elementary School.

We are making much-needed donations to City with Dwellings by providing hygiene items, reading glasses and rain ponchos. Our circles continue to provide snacks and sandwiches for Trellis Hospice on the second Tuesday each month.

Our food drives have allowed us to donate to the food pantry at Bethabara Moravian.

Blessings! Kathy Davis

### Unity Women's Desk:

Are you looking for a service project for the Moravian Day of Service on September 18<sup>th</sup>? For the third year, the Unity Women's Desk is partnering with Family Services of Forsyth to collect items needed by women at their Domestic Violence Shelter in Winston-Salem. We are waiting for confirmation of what items they are currently needing, so we will share this information as soon as we receive it, along with a flyer you can distribute to your congregation. 14 congregations have participated in the past two years. In 2020 we collected personal care items for the women and in 2021 we collected bedding and towels for the shelter. The shelter staff is so appreciative of this assistance so they can use their funds for other needs.

Domestic Violence Shelter Item Collection Kick-Off in congregations: September 18<sup>th</sup>. Delivery of items to Family Services: Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, the weekend of Moravian Sunday for Awareness of Human Rights for Women.

Please email UWD Volunteer Linda Hastings if you would like to participate: <a href="mailto:hastingslba@aol.com">hastingslba@aol.com</a> mailto:hastingslba@aol.com</a> or Julie,- julie.unitywomen@gmail.com</a> mailto:julie.unitywomen@gmail.com</a>.

If you are located outside the Winston-Salem area and would like to participate in a similar service project, we suggest you call your local domestic violence shelter or contact us, and we will be happy to help.

Domestic Violence Awareness Event at Bethania: The Unity Women's Desk will also host an in-person event on Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> is the

Interprovincial Moravian Awareness Sunday celebrating Human Rights for Women (but also CROP walk) and we would use that Sunday as a call for people to join us the following week. The past two years, the UWD has hosted a ZOOM event about local resources to support women facing domestic violence, in partnership with Family Services. This year we will have an in-person event using a program on the 22<sup>nd</sup>: "How congregations can create a welcoming and safe **SUPPORTING** THE space: **IOURNEY FROM** TO **VICTIM** SURVIVOR." The program will include a 30 minute award-winning video from a program called "Healing the Healers: Domestic Violence,"

(healingthehealers.org/series-2-domestic-violence/#episodes), and a panel of two local experts.

Another opportunity to help Unity Women's Desk raise funds!

1st Annual (we hope) Flower Power Bulb Sale: September 6<sup>th</sup> through October 30<sup>th</sup>: All bulbs will be distributed in November. The UWD is partnering with an amazing, family-run flower farm Terra Ceia in Pantego, NC. We receive 40% of all sales, money to help us empower Moravian girls and women.

We hope to have a sales leader for each congregation. You could also kick off this project on the Moravian Day of Service, September 18th. Please contact Julie for more information:

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