

May 1, 2012



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May 2012 Newsletter

Partnering in Ministry

By: Mark Tidsworth, Renewal Pastor

What is your theory of leadership? If you were born before 1990, there is good likelihood your belief about what is needed for effective leadership is some variation on “The Great Man” Theory. First, you might wonder, “Well, what about women?” During the rise of the Great Man Theory, men were considered the leaders of movements and organizations. Second, “What is this theory of leadership?” The Great Man Theory is the idea that a great man rises up and takes the reins and leads an organization to flourish. With this Great Man, good things happen. Without this Great Man, organizations are ineffective, apathetic, and sluggish. Many of us were raised with this point of view regarding leadership, with John Wayne as the poster child for this viewpoint. Great leaders are self-made men who take charge and make it happen.

During the 1990s, leaders and people who study leadership recognized the world became too complex for this leadership model to suffice. Instead, researchers like Daniel Goleman (who wrote Emotional Intelligence and Primal Leadership) gathered solid data about a new, emerging model. One insight from this research on leadership is that a functional team makes more effective decisions about an organization than does the smartest individual. What this means is that “the greatest man present” in any discussion about an organization, left on his own, will make poorer decisions than a functional team.

What in the world does this have to do with a Baptist Church? Very much. We are essentially organized on the team model, as Moderate Baptists. We have a pastor, who provides perspective on our Vision, but does not make all the decisions. We have a Leadership Council, who is learning to work as a team rather than as a group of individuals. They bring the most vital decisions to the entire congregation for discernment. Ultimately, we make the largest decisions as a group, believing God works through our collective process. Being Baptist, with a congregational form of governance, is messy – but fitting. Everyone has a voice, everyone has one vote, everyone is responsible for discerning God’s calling. We are truly partners in ministry.

Speaking of partners in ministry, several of ours are shifting. We partner with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, a national network of Moderate Baptist churches. This summer, Daniel Vestal, their long-time Coordinator, retires. Two other leaders in CBF are also retiring or resigning this summer. We also partner with the South Carolina Cooperative Baptist Fellowship. Kathwood’s Marion Aldridge has been its Coordinator for 15 years, and is retiring from that ministry position in February. These changes do not threaten our partnership. These changes do invite us to pray for both these ministry partners as they evolve through transition times.

Given the corporate nature of this faith community, we need each other. We need each person to bring his/her full self to the discussion. We need to communicate, discuss, and even argue about the best course of action for this church. Through the process, we will discover God’s calling and move ahead in partnership ministry. I look forward to this journey with you. May we be faithful and engaging as we follow Jesus Christ as disciples.

Prayer List

As part of your covenant to support Kathwood, please pray daily for these members and ministries.

<u>May 6–12</u>	<u>May 13–19</u>	<u>May 20–26</u>	<u>May 27–June 2</u>
Sunday Bob Bell Discipleship Min. Team	Sunday Brie White Social Ministry Team	Sunday Mabry Binnicker Worship Ministry Team	Sunday Jo Hines Family Ministry Team
Monday Hayden Howell Mission Ministry Team	Monday Geneva Walters Life App. Class	Monday Fred Chason Lois Class	Monday Virginia Harmon Faith Class
Tuesday Jerry Greene, Sr. Youth Class	Tuesday Garrett Tidsworth New Beginnings Class	Tuesday Wanda MisCavish Friendship Class	Tuesday Ron Branson Nursery Workers
Wednesday Bill Webb Heifer International	Wednesday Tressa Oswald Kathwood Preschool	Wednesday Marilyn Maddox Sunday School Teachers	Wednesday Wayne Tye Wed. Night Helpers
Thursday Nancy Bettis US Military	Thursday Erin Tidsworth American Red Cross	Thursday Juanita Ellzey Ushers	Thursday Ima Thibodeaux Chancel Choir
Friday Hoyt Burnett Diaconate	Friday Cedric Thibodeaux Leadership Council	Friday David Heffner Choral Scholars	Friday Cheryl Page Church Staff
Saturday Voncille Williams, Organist Communications Comm.	Saturday Valerie Reed, Ministry Asst. Ordinance Committee	Saturday Van Newman, LC Chair Family Ministry Week '12	Saturday Robert Oswald, Deacon Chair Homebound Members

May Volunteers

Serving on May 6

Deacons: Bob Bell, Orey Gracey,
Neil Greene, Ouida Ott,
Ushers: Reece & Kay Hall
Outreach: Betty LeClair
Ext. Care: Pam Greenlaw, Brie White
Acolyte: Quentin Oswald
Narthex Fellowship: Melanie Tidsworth

Serving on May 13

Deacons: Nancy Brown, Betty LeClair,
Robert Oswald, Meredith Satterfield
Ushers: Elna Corwin, Joanne Willis
Outreach: Pam Greenlaw
Ext. Care: Sally Aldridge, Erin Tidsworth
Acolyte: Cami Tidsworth
Narthex Fellowship: Frances Young

Serving on May 20

Deacons: Bob Bell, Neil Greene,
Joanne Willis, Ken Zuercher
Ushers: Peggy Hammond, Dot White
Outreach: Beth Zuercher
Ext. Care: Cheryl Page, Daniel Monteith
Acolyte: Phillip Page
Narthex Fellowship: Nancy Brown

Serving on May 27

Deacons: Orey Gracey, Betty LeClair,
Pat Prather, Meredith Satterfield
Ushers: Robert & Tressa Oswald
Outreach: Henry Kemp
Ext. Care: Joanne Willis, Brie White
Acolyte: Quentin Oswald
Narthex Fellowship: Debra Young



Financial Update Contributions

2012 Weekly Needs:	\$6,500.53
April 1	\$5,923.00
April 8	4,577.00
April 15	5,099.00
April 22	1,403.00
April 29	7,342.00
Year to date given:	\$ 82,615.36
Year to date needs:	\$117,009.54
Global Missions:	\$ 2,445.00

Youth News

By: Justin Stillabower

The Kathwood youth group enjoyed a great and busy Easter season! They planned and put together Youth Sunday on April 22, leading worship through song, prayer, Bible reading and preaching. The service went fantastically; and the youth have appreciated the kind words from the congregation concerning the service. The youth also have lead worship through youth choir many times.

There is only a month left in school for the youth and they are excited for summer but nervous for finals, so keep them in your prayers. This summer, the youth will be busy with Family Ministry Week in June, Montreat in July, and a Mission Trip to North Carolina from July 29-Aug 4. We will also be having fun going to Carowinds, having lock-ins and gathering on Wednesdays. The youth are looking forward to a full and meaningful summer of activities both at Kathwood and on our own. We appreciate and cherish the prayers and support of our church family.

Welcome!

Our newest church member is no stranger to Kathwood. Justin Stillabower has been introduced in this newsletter three times — as the first Choral Scholar music intern, as the summer youth coordinator, and as the year-round youth director. And now, we officially welcome him into the church family.

Justin, whose family lives close by in Duluth, Georgia is studying music education with an emphasis on piano and choral studies at the University of South Carolina. Justin was very active in his youth group and committed to his church, John's Creek United Methodist Church. His decision to join Kathwood came as a natural transition after nearly a year of attending Kathwood regularly.

Justin said that Kathwood felt like it was his home church and that he was comfortable enough with the church to make it official. He also felt it made sense for him to join the church because he was spending so much time here with work and other activities. Additionally, Justin expressed his appreciation to Kathwood members for making him feel so welcome from the very beginning.



A Note of Thanks



Dear Kathwood Family,

I would like to thank you for all of your prayers, calls, cards, and visits during the last few weeks.

In addition, many people thoroughly enjoyed the food that many of you lovingly provided after the funeral. Most especially, I would like to thank Rev. Mark for the loving friend he has been from the moment he married Inez and me, to the words of encouragement he offered to us all at the funeral.

Kathwood members' support, friendship, and love mean the world to me as it did to Inez. Please continue to keep me in your prayers.

In Christ, Cardell Bunch

Leadership Council Updates

By: Van Newman, Chair

The Leadership Council spent a significant portion of its April meeting discussing the church's current financial situation. The bottom line of it is that we are spending more each month than we are taking in. Considering that this has been the situation for several months, the Council decided that it should involve the membership in decisions considering the financial future of the church.

Let it be noted that the church is NOT in financial distress, thanks to generous bequests left by late members. We do have money in reserve that can be used when needed, but the Council has budgeted over the years with a philosophy of budgeting based on normal giving and reserving special bequests for special opportunities and special needs that might arise. So, the Council voted at this April session to share the details of our current financial condition with the entire membership and welcome input from any or all members in making plans for Kathwood's financial future.

We are calling for a special church conference on Wednesday May 23 to share the details of our financial status with the membership at which time we will welcome input and suggestions from any and all. After receiving membership's thinking on this, the Council will develop strategies and actions necessary for us to move forward on a sound financial basis.

Please mark your calendars now to join us on Wednesday, May 23, for this special church conference. Your Council encourages full attendance for this important discussion.

Deacon News

By: Robert Oswald, Chair

I am so fortunate to serve with an incredible group of deacons. The Worship committee has worked seamlessly behind the scenes with Hazel Monteith and the ministers to ensure that every detail has been taken care of so that our time to worship God is perfect. The Social team has worked with church members to ensure that events have food and other items provided as well. Ken and I were doing some landscaping at the church the other day and I saw a well coordinated group of deacons and laity preparing for the Ladies Tea. I feel compelled to shine a special spotlight on Nancy Brown who heads up the Missions team. I have lost count of the meetings that she has attended since becoming a deacon this year. Her love for Kathwood and Missions is evident in her commitment. Ouida Ott and Meredith Satterfield have spent a lot of time in the library, making it a place where members can find the resources to further their spiritual development.

I also would like to call attention to the upcoming *Family Ministry Week* scheduled for June 10-14. Please pray about your involvement in this wonderful opportunity to do something good for our community. We are planning various activities that will allow everyone to participate. For those who are able to do outdoor activities, we will have activities such as the water ministry at Finlay Park. For those who are not able to participate in outdoor activities, we will have projects such as making prisoner packets. Your participation will be greatly appreciated and you will surely receive a blessing for taking part in spreading **God's love to others.**

Preschool Corner

By: Karen Odiorne, Director

Even though, we say it every May.....this seems to have been the fastest year yet! September seems like yesterday with all the new faces and excitement of a new school year. Each of the past months has been filled with so many activities!

The preschool will be going through the bi-annual DSS re-licensing process the first part of this month. Unannounced visits are made by DSS during the year but every other year they, along with DHEC and the Fire Marshal's office, **come for a through comprehensive check of the facility, staff and children's records, and our policies and procedures.**

Mother's Day celebrations will take place next. Every class will be making special presents for their Moms. The threes will have a Mother's Tea on May 9th and the fours class a lunch for their Moms on May 11th.

Then, it is End of the Year parties on May 17th with the End of the Year Program on May 18th at 11:30 a.m. We would like to invite everyone to come. There will be a music program along with a slideshow of all the Kathwood children and all that has happened during the year. You will be able to see what a busy, exciting year it has been.



Fifth Saturday Clean-Up Day

The first ever "Fifth Saturday Clean-Up Social," was well attended on March 31, 2012. Significant progress was made in cleaning the playground of pine straw, cones and other debris and in moving sand that had washed against the wall back where it was needed around the equipment. Many bushes were trimmed around the playground to add visibility and to beautify the area. Inside, all of the high chairs were taken apart and scrubbed, in anticipation of being used by visitors and new members to the church.



In addition to the hard work, a delicious meal was prepared by Fred Chason and served to the clean-up crew, as well as to the group who were stuffing candy into the eggs for the upcoming hunt. The "social" aspect of the day was quite a bit more enjoyable than the "clean-up" aspect, but both were cheerily performed.

The next "Fifth Saturday" is June 30, 2012. Look around for things you can do to help beautify Kathwood. Then come join with fellow church members in work and in fellowship.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Sewing Group	2	3	4	5
6 12:15 Deacons Meeting	7	8	9 7am-12noon Cardinal Newman Testing	10 	11 Preschool's Mothers Day Lunch	12
13 	14 Cardinal Newman Testing 7pm Leadership Council Meeting	15 Cardinal Newman Testing	16 Cardinal Newman Testing	17	18 11:30 am Preschool Yr. End Program	19
20	21	22	23 6:30 pm Called Church Conference	24	25 	26
27 	28 MEMORIAL DAY 	29	30	31		



Special Days in May Birthdays:



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| 2 Van Newman | 17 Erin Tidsworth |
| 5 Alice Newman | 23 Marilyn Maddox |
| 6 Bob Bell | 28 Virginia Harmon |
| 9 Bill Webb | 29 Ron Branson |
| 10 Nancy Bettis, Jerry Greene, Sr.
Hayden Howell | 30 Wayne Tye |
| 11 Hoyt Burnett | 31 Ima Thibodeaux |

Ladies Tea Time

By: Sherry Roberts, Coordinator

Purple floral teapots graced each lovely table setting at the Ladies' Tea, Saturday, April 21, in the church fellowship hall. Hot home-made scones with jam and cream set the stage for a variety of delightful finger sandwiches and three-tiered trays of decadent desserts. The ladies enjoyed three kinds of delicious teas and lively conversation. Many members, along with their guests, neighbors, friends and relatives enjoyed hearing our speaker, Erin Galloway, Executive Director of Palmetto Place which is a shelter for abused and neglected children. The table with gifts for the children of Palmetto Place was overflowing to **everyone's** delight, especially **Erin's**.

Many thanks are in order to the following: Nancy Brown, Mistress of Ceremonies; Meredith Satterfield, greeter and collector of contributions which exceeded our needs; Joanne Willis and Jo Hines for planting the Gerbera Daisies which adorned the tables and now grace the front lawn of the church. Thanks also to Kay Hall for providing the colorful fabric overlays for each table, and the following for their delicious contributions of goodies for the tea: Voncille Williams, Kay Hall, Machan Gracey, Betty LeClair, Debra Young, Pat Prather, Dorothy White, Peggy Hammond, Betty Friedman, and Sherry Roberts. A special thank to each of the Hostesses: Nancy Brown, Elna Corwin, Betty Friedman, Machan Gracey, Kay Hall, Peggy Hammond, Joanne Harris, Cordie Huggins, Betty LeClair, Pat Prather, Joanne Willis and Frances Young. The best kitchen crew ever was Tressa Oswalt, Cheryl Page, Sherry Roberts, and Lee Waters. Lee was also responsible for the beautiful hand-cut programs.

An event like this can only happen with the cooperation of many willing workers. It was a great day of fellowship and mission opportunity. Plans will soon be in the making for next year. Please give any suggestions you **might have for next year's event (speaker, etc.) to Sherry Roberts or any member of the kitchen crew.**



Called Church Conference

At the last quarterly church conference our Leadership Council and Treasurer mentioned that we will hold a church conference for the sole purpose of discussing church finances on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Please plan to be present.



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During the month of May we will be collecting non-perishable food for the Columbia Metro Food Bank. May we suggest: canned veggies, fruit & meat, cereal, pasta, rice, beans, soup, crackers, paper items and cookies. Please bring your donations to the table downstairs by the choir room.

Wednesday Night Supper Menus

May 2	Spaghetti
Helpers: Team #6	Betty LeClair, Meredith Satterfield
May 9	Meatloaf
Helpers: Team #1	Bob Bell, Marilyn Maddox
May 16	Pork Loin
Helpers: Team #2	Henry Kemp, Cheryl Page
May 23	Chicken in Cream Sauce
Helpers: Team #3	Nancy Brown, Bill Webb
May 30	Beef Stew
Helpers: Team #4	Peggy Hammond, Dorothy White