



# First Press

A Monthly Publication of First Presbyterian Church, Mooresville, NC

## March 2010

The 2010 Logos Choir presents...

### “The Amazing Jerusalem Makeover”

The entire congregation is invited to a special evening of theatre, on Sunday, March 14, in the Fellowship Hall. The Logos Choir will present the musical, *“The Amazing Jerusalem Makeover.”*

Jerusalem’s wall is in ruins. The city is unprotected and the people are discouraged. They’ve been in this condition for 140 years and it’s time for a makeover - not only for their wall, but for their hearts as well. God’s man for the job - Nehemiah - shows up, bullhorn in hand, and the impossible becomes possible because God is it. The work is not without opposition, but God’s purpose will prevail. This timeless story of God’s restoration of Jerusalem’s wall and its people is told with a unique mix of Biblical and 21st century characterizations in a highly entertaining, yet scripturally sound presentation.

Immediately after the performance, desserts will be served by hostess, Jerilyn Fair and members of the Personnel Committee and Circle No. 6. A nursery for small children will be provided during the musical. The choir will rehearse Saturday, March 13, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The choir will then take the “show on the road” the following Saturday evening. They will travel to Statesville for an adventurous night at FunStation 2000 and then perform the musical at Forest Park Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning.



### Easter Season Events

**Sun., March 28 Palm Sunday**

- Palm Procession with *Lay Down Your Coats for Jesus* at 9:00 & 11:00 Worship Services

**Thurs., April 1 Maundy Thursday**

- 6:30 p.m.- Supper with *The Living Last Words* and Communion

**Fri., April 2 Good Friday**

- 12 noon - Worship in the Sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the FH

**Sat., April 3 Easter Egg Hunt**

- 10:00 a.m. in the FH

**Sun., April 4 Easter Sunday**

- Worship at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m

**Mon., April 5 Church Office closed**

### The Living Last Words

#### Maundy Thursday dinner and drama

“Truly this Man was the Son of God!” With these powerful words, the centurion responded to the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ. He had witnessed both the humanity and the divinity of Christ’s suffering, and he was transformed by Christ’s final utterances from the cross.

“The Living Last Words” will be presented by the Chancel Choir and members of the congregation on Maundy Thursday evening, April 1, 2010. As in the past, a meal will be served at the tables, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The program, including communion, will follow.



In this dramatic and powerful work, the listener will imagine the responses of witnesses at Calvary, the contemptuous soldier, the crucified thief’s sympathetic siblings, the scornful priest, the anguished shepherd who remembers Jesus’ miraculous birth, the grieving mother of Christ and the heartbroken disciple, searching for answers.



## *From the Pastor...*

### **The Real Purpose of Lent**

By the time you read this, the season of Lent will be in full swing. Most Presbyterian churches observe this holy time of the Christian calendar, the 40 days (not counting Sundays) between Ash Wednesday and Easter that are symbolic of the Israelites' 40 years in the wilderness and Jesus' 40 days in the desert before he is tempted by Satan. But it wasn't always so.

The New Testament doesn't prescribe particular days for a church calendar. Lent was added as the Church grew and developed. In particular, the season became known as the time when new followers of Christ were instructed daily in the Christian faith and practice, so that by the time of "Easter Eve," the Saturday before Easter, the converts could be baptized.

By the time John Calvin and the other Protestant Reformers came around, though, Lent had become weighed down with a number of rules and superstitions. For the most part, the churches of the Reformation continue to observe the season, although they are wary. Calvin is on record as not liking it very much. He thought Lent blurred the line too much between worshiping God and earning God's favor with your sacrifices and practices, such as fasting, abstaining from certain foods, etc.

It was the English Puritans and Scottish Presbyterians later on who objected to Lent so strenuously and removed it from the church calendar. In fact, many of the forebears of today's Presbyterians didn't observe any special days, in some cases even Christmas and Easter, for they believed that to do so detracted from the importance of every Sunday as the Lord's Day and constrained the conscience where Scripture did not speak. While many of our Presbyterian ancestors moderated their views on special days somewhat over the years, for hundreds of years most Presbyterians abstained from Lent.

Yet today, the vast majority of Presbyterians observe Lent. Most Presbyterian Church (USA) congregations do so, and many other Presbyterian congregations do as well. Presbyterians attend special Bible studies (like "Lent in the Living Room") and worship services. They add spiritual disciplines to their lives during the season (like special times of prayer) and abstain from other practices (like eating certain foods, watching television, and so on).

Has the ritualistic camel poked his nose under the Presbyterian tent? Are we engaged in the same empty practices Calvin decried?

It's possible, of course, for us to observe Lent in this way. We can go through the motions. We can attend special services, give up caffeine, and pray more, and think it all earns us brownie points with God.

But how much better it is to pay attention to the real purpose of Lent, the reason for the season: to center us on the Passion of Jesus and his work on the cross for our salvation for a concentrated period of time, so we may learn and grow in our appreciation of God's grace shown uniquely to us in his Son.

The writer Michael Horton, one of my favorite younger Reformed theologians (which means he's younger than I am), puts it this way: "In my view, these special days are valuable chiefly as a teaching opportunity. . . I believe an evangelical celebration of Lent affords an opportunity to reinforce rather than undermine the significance of Christ's saving work" (*Christianity Today*, February 2010, p. 55).

If during the season of Lent, we focus on Christ and his work and remember our relationship with God is all by grace through faith made possible by the Perfect Sacrifice, Jesus on the cross. . . then our observance of Lent will fulfill its evangelical purpose: to lead us and our children to Christ.

*For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.  
Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually  
dare to die.*

*But God proves his love for us  
in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.  
Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood,  
will we be saved through him from the wrath of God.  
For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son,  
much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life.*

*(Romans 5:6-10 NRSV)*

Grace and peace,

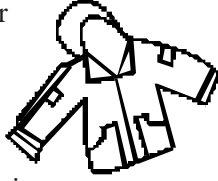
*Clay Brown*

Pastor

## Palm Sunday

### Laying down your coat for Jesus

You are encouraged to bring your used or outgrown winter coats to church on Palm Sunday, March 28, symbolically “laying down your coat for Jesus,” just as the people of Jerusalem lined his path with their cloaks and palm branches for the triumphal entry. The coats will be donated to Mooresville Christian Mission. As we begin to enjoy warmer temperatures (hopefully soon!) and you pack your winter coats away, consider donating a coat as a visible symbol of outreach to others. Bring your coats to the parlor on Palm Sunday, March 28, and they will be used as part of the Palm Procession.



## Palm Procession

All children are encouraged to participate in the Palm Procession on Palm Sunday, March 28, at the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. worship services.



Children who would like to be in the processional should meet in the Parlor immediately prior to the worship services.

After the processional, children in first grade and older may sit with their families, while younger children will return to the nursery after the Children’s Sermon.

**Please note:** Children in the Logos choir and MSM Handbell choir should meet in the choir room at 10:35 a.m. on Palm Sunday.

## Easter Egg Hunt

Everyone is invited to attend the annual Easter Egg Hunt, scheduled for Saturday, April 3, at 10:00 a.m. Held rain or shine, the event will begin in the fellowship hall. Bring your own Easter basket, and come join the fun with fellow egg-hunters!

Donations of individually-wrapped candy (small enough to fit into a 2" egg) are welcomed and appreciated. Please leave candy in the basket in the church office.

PYF members are invited to an “Egg-stuffing Party” on Friday, April 2, at 1:30 p.m. in the Youth Room. In addition, PYF is encouraged to help with hiding the eggs on Saturday, April 3, at 9:30 a.m., immediately prior to the Egg Hunt.



## Worship Volunteers

The Worship Committee would like to invite members to participate in worship as a greeter, usher, or scripture reader. The major requirement is for you to smile, welcome, and/or escort attendees to a pew, or read scripture from the large Bible in front of the sanctuary.

To those who volunteered already by checking the appropriate box on your Time and Talent sheet, we appreciate your volunteer spirit. Those individuals have already been assigned specific months to serve – you will receive a letter approximately two weeks before your month of service.



To those who have not yet volunteered, we have many months of opportunity for you to volunteer. Please contact Debbie Hyatt at 704 663 5798 (H) or 704 677 2166 (C) or [rdhyatt@windstream.net](mailto:rdhyatt@windstream.net) (subject line: Worship Vol) Debbie will be in the parlor after the 9 am and 11 am worship on Sunday, March 7, with a sign-up sheet.




## Marti Estes 5k Event

April 24<sup>th</sup> is quickly approaching and the Marti Estes 5k committee is very excited to have another great event this year. We are still searching for a Primary Sponsor for our event. If you know of a business or group that would be interested in advertising their service through our race please let us know. The HEALTHREACH Community Clinic is such a great agency working so hard to help less fortunate people in our area, and we want to present them with a great check at the end of the race.



We have already secured several sponsors for our race and are very thankful for those sponsorships as well as gifts in kind that have been offered for our event. Our **Gold** level sponsors thus far include First Presbyterian Church; Ladd, McCall C.P.A.s; Patrick and Mary Beth Stutts; and Neil, Stacey, David, Rachel and John Faulkenberry. Serving as **Silver** sponsors so far are North Point Watersports; Wheeler & Company CPAs, P.C.; and Rick and Martha Faulkenberry. The **Bronze** sponsors include Dr. Thomas M. Sholar, D.D.S., P.L.L.C.; Aquesta Bank; Food Lion; and Bill and Sandra Harris. Thank you so much to those folks for their faith and generosity in sponsoring our event.

There is still plenty of time to become a sponsor so if you are interested in advertising your business or know someone who would like to sponsor a great event with a worthwhile beneficiary please contact us. Continue to also check out [www.martiestes5k.com](http://www.martiestes5k.com) and register for the run if you haven’t already done so. Thank you!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>1</b></p> <p>6:15pm Exaltation Ringers 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:30pm LILR at the Coates' home</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>2</b></p> <p>6:30pm Cub Scouts</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>7</b></p> <p>9:00am Early Worship 10:00am Church School 10:00am Membership Matters 11:00am Worship with MSM Handbells 3:00pm Circle 2 in the library 3:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry at the home of Thelma Vaughan 4:30pm Alpha PYF 5:00pm Omega PYF</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>8</b></p> <p>2:00pm Circle No. 1 in the parlor 6:15pm Circle No. 3 at the home of Kim Streb 6:15pm Exaltation Ringers 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:00pm Membership &amp; Evangelism Committee 7:30pm LILR at the Coates' home</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>9</b></p> <p>10:00am Circle 4 at the home of Margaret Sanders 12:00pm Circle 5 @ the home of Sue Kopecek 2:00pm Circle 6 in the library</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>14</b></p> <p>8:00am Presbyterian Men's Breakfast 9:00am Early Worship 10:00am Church School 10:00am Membership Matters 11:00am Worship with Logos Choir 5:00pm Diaconate 5:30pm Christian Ed Committee 6:15pm PYF Mission Trip Info Meeting 7:00pm Logos Musical &amp; Dessert</p> 	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>15</b></p> <p>6:15pm Exaltation Ringers 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:30pm LILR at the Coates' home</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>16</b></p> <p>10:30am <i>Discovering Our Reformed Faith</i> 12:30pm Saints Alive Luncheon 6:30pm Cub Scouts</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>21</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Logos Trip</b></p> <p>9:00am Early Worship 10:00am Church School 11:00am Worship 4:30pm Alpha PYF 5:00pm Omega PYF</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>22</b></p> <p>6:15pm Exaltation Ringers 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:30pm LILR at the Coates' home</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>23</b></p> <p>7:00pm Executive Committee</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>28</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Palm Sunday</b></p> <p>9:00am Early Worship 10:00am Church School 11:00am Worship with Logos and MSM 4:30pm Alpha PYF 5:00pm Omega PYF 7:00pm Session</p> 	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>29</b></p> <p>6:15pm Exaltation Ringers 7:00pm Boy Scouts 7:30pm LILR at the Coates' home</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>30</b></p>

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>3</b></p> <p>11:00am Bible Study -home of Fronnie Gardner</p> <p>4:00pm Logos/MSM <i>Dr. Seuss</i> Night</p> <p>6:15pm HS SupperClub @ Zaxby's</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>4</b></p> <p>9:15am Saints Alive to Southern Spring Show</p> <p>9:30am Bible Study at the Rogers' home</p> <p>10:00am GriefShare</p> <p>7:30pm Mooresville User's Group</p> 	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>5</b></p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>6</b></p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>10</b></p> <p>11:00am Bible Study -home of Fronnie Gardner</p> <p>4:00pm Logos/MSM <i>March Madness</i> Night</p> <p>6:15pm HS SupperClub @ Chick-fil-A</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>11</b></p> <p>9:30am Bible Study at the Rogers' home</p> <p>10:00am GriefShare</p>  <p>Fun &amp; Fellowship</p> <p>6:00pm Fun &amp; Fellowship at Golden Corral</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>12</b></p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>13</b></p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>17</b></p> <p>11:00am Bible Study -home of Fronnie Gardner</p> <p>4:00pm Logos/MSM <i>St. Patrick's</i> Night</p> <p>6:15pm HS SupperClub @ McAllisters</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>18</b></p> <p>9:30am Bible Study at the Rogers' home</p> <p>10:00am GriefShare</p> <p>7:30pm Mwandu Meeting at LKN Fellowship</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>19</b></p> 	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>20</b></p> <div style="background-color: #d3d3d3; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Logos Trip</div>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>24</b></p> <p>11:00am Bible Study -home of Fronnie Gardner</p> <p>4:00pm Logos/MSM <i>FPC Idol</i> Night</p> <p>6:15pm HS SupperClub @ Bojangles</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>25</b></p> <p>9:30am Bible Study at the Rogers' home</p> <p>10:00am GriefShare</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>26</b></p> <p>6:30pm Scrapbook Group in FH</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>27</b></p> <p>8:45am PYF Mission &amp; a Movie</p> <p>9:00am Scrapbook Group in FH</p>
<p style="text-align: right;"><b>31</b></p> <p>11:00am Bible Study -home of Fronnie Gardner</p> <p>4:00pm Logos/MSM <i>Western Round-up</i> Night</p> <p>6:15pm Logos/MSM Year-end Banquet</p> <p>6:15pm HS SupperClub @ No.1 China Buffet</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>			

# Saints Alive

## March Luncheon

The monthly Saints Alive luncheon (\$4) will be held Tuesday, March 16, at 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The group will celebrate St. Patrick's Day, so be sure to wear some green! This month's program will feature Adrien Domske, who will tell about her experiences as a dolphin trainer in the Florida Keys, the National Aquarium in Baltimore, MD, the Brookfield Zoo near Chicago, and the National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium in Dubuque, IA. We look forward to hearing Adrien share about this exciting career. Come and bring a friend!

## Saints plan trip to Southern Spring Show

The Saints Alive group is planning a trip to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Southern Spring Home & Garden Show in Charlotte on Thursday, March 4. Participants will see landscaped gardens, designer rooms, displays of bonsai, Ikebana, and orchids, as well as kitchen and bath ideas, building and home improvement, outdoor living, green living, and decorative arts and crafts. More information about the show is available at [www.southernshows.com](http://www.southernshows.com).



The group plans to leave at 9:15 a.m. and return by 4:00 p.m. Admission price is \$7.50. Please call the church office by Tuesday, March 2, to make a reservation.

## April trip to NC Mountains Planned

Reservations have been made at Hemlock Inn, located in Bryson City, NC, for Monday, April 26, through Thursday, April 29. The inn is informal and beautiful, situated on fifty wooded acres on top of a small mountain and offers delicious home-cooked meals; breakfast and dinner are included in the room rate. The surrounding area offers many recreational opportunities, including the Great Smoky Mountain Railroad, Cherokee Indian Reservation, Fontana Dam, Cades Cove, fishing, hiking, golf, and surrounding towns for shopping and exploring. In addition to off-site recreation, the inn offers wonderful opportunities for relaxing in rocking chairs, enjoying fellowship and conversation around the fireplaces, and hiking on the property.

Rates for double occupancy will be \$444; single occupancy will be \$379.95 + approximately 8% tax. The rate includes three nights' lodging, three breakfasts, and three dinners. To secure your reservation, first contact Ellen Auten, then call Mort White at Hemlock Inn (828-488-2885).

Payments may be made by credit card or check (payable to the Hemlock Inn). A \$73 per room deposit is needed to secure your reservation.

You may find more information about



Hemlock Inn at [www.hemlockinn.com](http://www.hemlockinn.com).

# Vacation Bible School 2010

Be sure to put these dates on your summer calendar for this year's Vacation Bible School: July 19 – 23, from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon. **Please note: VBS is in July this year!** This year's theme is Gospel Light's "Sonquest Rainforest VBS: Follow Jesus on a Life-Changing Adventure."

Along the way, we'll enter a world of amazing animals, fabulous fish, intelligent insects, while travelling way upriver to discover an abundant rainforest. We'll find the church transformed into a vivid rainforest with bright-colored birds, misty waterfalls, wild weather, tropical fruits, and exotic animals.



Everything the VBS adventurers encounter is based on five parables told by Jesus that will make a difference in their lives every day. These five days of discovery not only give children the knowledge of God's Word, but also the opportunity to respond to His truth by living out their Christian faith.

AND...we'll need lots of adult and teen volunteers to make this rainforest adventure possible. Please contact Susan Kendall (704-660-0458) or Ellen Auten (704-664-5275) to volunteer your talents in the rainforest!

## FPC Scholarships

Applications are available in the church office or from your school's guidance counselor for the Cora Freeze Scholarship, the Agnes Preston Neel Scholarship and the James Michael Drye Scholarship. All interested students should submit an application by the end of April for consideration by the review committee. The annual award for each of these scholarships is based upon proceeds from investments. For more information, you may contact John Streb of the Finance Committee at 704-658-0649.



## Scrapbook Workshop

All scrapbookers are invited to a Scrapbook Workshop on March 28-29 in the fellowship hall. This is a wonderful opportunity to work on scrapbooks, share ideas and materials, and enjoy fellowship together as you complete projects. Friday activities begin at 6:30 p.m., with a dutch treat dinner; Saturday activities begin at 9:00 a.m., with breakfast foods and coffee. Come for all or part of the weekend.



## PYF March Calendar

3	Supper Club @ Zaxby's	6:15-8:30 pm
7	PYF: Alphas, 4:30-7; Omegas	5-7:30 pm
10	Supper Club @ Chick-Fil-A	6:15-8:30 pm
14	PYF Mission Trip Info Meeting	6:15 pm
17	Supper Club @ McAlister's	6:15-8:30 pm
21	PYF: Alphas, 4:30-7; Omegas	5-7:30 pm
24	Supper Club @ Bojangles	6:15-8:30 pm
27	Mission & a Movie	8:45am-3:30pm
28	PYF: Alphas, 4:30-7; Omegas	5-7:30 pm
31	Supper Club @ No. 1 China Buffet	6:15-8:30pm

## Camp Grier Plans

It's time to make plans for summer camp at Camp Grier in Old Fort, NC, for children in rising second through twelfth grades, with weekly camping sessions offered from June 13 through July 30. Please contact Ellen Auten for more information, or go to the camp website: [www.campgrier.org](http://www.campgrier.org). Scholarship help is available; all requests for scholarships should be made at least two weeks prior to camp.

## Weekday Preschool

What a wonderful time we had at our Valentine parties and in making our decorated bags to hold our Valentines. Thank you to all our wonderful Moms who sent treats and came in to help. Other units in February included, *The Candy Shop*; *Dads Are Special*; *My Five Senses*; *Nursery Rhymes*; *Jonah & The Whale*; *Noah's Ark*; *Pirates*; *Feelings*; and *The Dentist's Office*. Our conference day was well attended and we appreciate everyone taking the time to come in and meet with the teachers.

March promises to be busy as we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day, and other fun units on *Dr. Suess*; *Going Green*; *Leapin' Leprechauns*; *The Zoo & Circus*; *Books, Books, Books*; *Rainbows*; *Construction*; *Flowershop*; *Eric Carle Books*; *Oceans and Space*; and *Easter*. We will begin our Easter celebration on March 31 and April 1 with our Egg Hunts and parties and then we will close on April 2-9 for our break.

We love your children and are grateful that you have chosen to send them here. We continue to ask for your prayers as we care for them.

With love,  
Mrs. Nancy



## Presbyterian Men

The Presbyterian Men will hold their monthly breakfast on Sunday, March 14 at 8:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. They would like to invite the ladies of the church to attend and ask that you call the church office at 704-664-5275 to make reservations. The men serve a very nice breakfast!

The speaker for March will be Marsha Cornelius who will be sharing a program about her missions work in Mexico. She has been working at a very small church located in a very poor and rural area just outside of the City of Salamanca since 2002, so she will be able to show some progression of their work there, which is almost finished!



Salamanca, Mexico

## March Logos/MSM

### Dates to Remember

Mar. 3	Wednesday	"Dr. Seuss" Night
Mar. 7	Sunday	MSM ring at 11 a.m. Service
Mar. 10	Wednesday	"March Madness" Night
Mar. 13	Saturday	Logos Musical dress rehearsal 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Mar. 14	Sunday	Logos choir sings at 11 a.m. Service Logos Musical dress rehearsal & pizza supper - 4:30 p.m. Logos Musical - 7:00 p.m.
Mar. 17	Wednesday	St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 20	Saturday	Logos trip to Statesville until Mar 21
Mar. 24	Wednesday	"FPC Idol" night
Mar. 31	Wednesday	Last day of Logos/MSM "Western Round-up" Year-end Banquet & slide show - 6:15 p.m.

## With Appreciation

Dear Friends,

I want to thank you so very much for your constant love, prayers and support for me and Paul during the past several months. Not a week went by that I didn't hear from someone in the church with a call, card, note or visit. Our entire family extend their sincere appreciation for all you have done for us.

Love to all,  
Willie Alltson

# First Presbyterian 2010 Mission Trips

## A variety of trips ...one purpose

The reach of our congregation extends well beyond our local area. Certainly, our connection with the PCUSA involves us many worthwhile mission efforts around the world and throughout this country, but our local Missions Committee also sponsors some special "hands-on" opportunities for our members and friends to serve Christ in other places:

### Memorial Day Weekend Mission

Over the Memorial Day Weekend a group will be returning to the Slidell, Louisiana, (New Orleans) area to assist the work of the Presbyterian Community Outreach in its ongoing work of rebuilding homes destroyed by the Gulf Coast hurricanes. We dispatched a team last there Labor Day weekend and all who participated indicated that we needed to return. There is no cost for this trip other than personal expenses (food, etc.). Transportation and housing will be provided. No special skills are required other than a willingness to be of service in the name of our Lord Jesus. If you are interested in participating, please contact Fred Coates.



### Mwandi (Zambia) Missions in 2010

There are two Mwandi trips being sponsored this year. Dr. Mike Campbell of our congregation has assembled a medical/surgical team to travel to Mwandi, June 20-27, to work in the Mwandi UCZ Mission Hospital. The hospital, an important medical mission of the United Church of Zambia in the rural Western Province of Zambia, serves a catchment of more than 30,000 people and has been the focus of much of FPC's direct efforts through the years.

Plans are also being finalized for another volunteer trip, August 3-20. Lake Norman Fellowship (our daughter church) is joining with us again to take a team to work with our partners in the Mwandi community. The team will work in the Orphans Center, the hospital, the Agricultural Project and the church. If funds can be raised, a much needed replacement of the communications infrastructure is planned for this year. The current system has served well but has now failed, severely limiting our ability to stay in direct contact with the mission and for the mission to communicate with its supporters.



**Please pray** for these mission efforts of our congregation. If you are interested in participating in or otherwise supporting these mission efforts, please contact Fred Coates ([fred@moorevillefirstpres.org](mailto:fred@moorevillefirstpres.org)) for more information.



## Easter Lilies



It's time to order Easter Lilies to be placed in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of our friends and loved ones. Order forms will be in the Sunday bulletins from March 7-21. The deadline to place an order is **Wednesday, March 24**. The cost is \$10 for each plant and you may take your lily home with you to enjoy after church on Easter Sunday.

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[secretary@moorevillefirstpres.org](mailto:secretary@moorevillefirstpres.org) or phone: 704-664-5275.

### Sunday Services

**9:00 a.m.** Early Worship

**10:00 a.m.** Church School

**11:00 a.m.** Morning Worship

# MARCH 2010

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