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The Camphor Light

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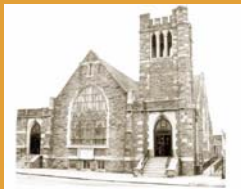


Welcome To The Email Edition of The Camphor Light!

The Communications Committee is moving toward a monthly, if not weekly, edition of *The Camphor Light* that will be e-mailed to all subscribers to the church website and can be placed in the weekly worship bulletin to minimize numerous inserts. It will include pastoral and lay announcements about upcoming services, ministries, programs and events to better inform the congregation and inspire greater attendance at worship services and participation in weekly Bible studies, church school, and ministries. You can help spread the Word in the church and community by regularly forwarding the inserts to family and friends (see link at bottom of page) and submitting your announcements, lay messages, poems, inspirational messages and suggestions to the [Church Secretary](#) and [Camphor Communications](#).

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The mission of Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ

The vision of Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church is to be a Christ-centered nurturing and supportive fellowship of believers who strive to lead lost souls to

Today's Worship Service

Rev. Dr. Dorothy Watson Tatem, literally brought a packed church to their feet on this special Family and Friends Day with her message from Luke 5:17-19 and her charge to "1,2,3, Lift!" like the friends who lifted their paraplegic friend to the roof and lowered him before Jesus for healing.

Worship Leader was **Mrs. Kina**

Smallwood Butts and pulpit participants were **Rev. David Brown, Mr. Anthony Bacon and Mr. Luther Farrow.**



During the welcome of visitors, **Keith Harris** presented roses to his aunt, **Mrs. Beulah Nichols Camper**, the matriarch of the Harris Family and made a special presentation to the church in memory of **William and Matilda Harris**.



Members of the Harris family filled six pews for the occasion. Among the visitors welcomed by **Rev. Rookard** were: **Rev. Campbell, Mr. Chris Chase, Miss Essence, Ms. Sylvia Turner, Ms. Connie Farrow, Ms. Florence Parsons, Mr. Robert Rice, Dr. Reuben Mills, Ms. Christine Harding, Mrs. Salivia Wilkins, Mr. Keith Harris II, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Carter and grandsons,**

Mr. & Mrs. David Sadler and sons, Ms. Kelli Sadler, Ms. Donna Barkley and daughter, Simone, Mrs. Vera Russell, Ms. Roe Hughes, Ms. Patricia Sadler, Mrs. Gail Harris, Ramon Harris Jr. and family, Ms. Daisha Harris Williams and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lavan Hutchinson, Mr. Tony Brown, Master Deven Holman, Mr. Roger Wright, Mr. Calvin Wright, Jr., Mrs. Shirley Cash, Mrs. Patricia Brown Cash, Misses Alysha Fountain and Kaila Rhodes, Ms. Jan Turner, Ms. Reabeth Moore, Mrs. Kelly Washington, Ms. Ashley Handy and baby James,

Jesus Christ and improve the quality of life in our community.

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Reminders:

Ads and Memorials for 85th Anniversary Souvenir Journal
due October 28, 2007

The Church Retreat has been postponed to a later date.



Family of the late Rev. Marion Ballard, former Camphor pastor, who passed

Ms. Shelly Harmon and children, Jalil and Cierra, and the following Harris children: Lorraine, Ramona, Siedah, Quianna, Candaice, Takara, Kevin, Tyreese, Alicia and baby Imani.

The day was made even brighter by the debut of the new **Camphor Youth Choir**, directed by **Mr. Terry Cash**, who sang two Kirk Franklin songs and the return of the **Camphor Praise Dancers** who performed one of their favorite praise songs, Kirk Franklin's "Stomp". The **Gospel Chorus**, directed by **Ms. Lisa Rhodes** and accompanied by **Mrs. Jean Rhodes** and **Mr. Cash**, provided the music for the worship service. **Rev. Dr. Tatem**, assisted by **Rev. Brown** and **Rev. Rookard**, led the alter call and over 50 men, women and children were blessed with prayer. After the benediction, a home-cooked buffet dinner and fellowship, hosted by **Adult and Family Ministries**, was enjoyed by all in the gym. The members of **Adult and Family Ministries** who plan and sponsor the Annual Family and Friends Day program are: **Deborah Terrell, Jeanne Myers, Veronica Williams, Luther Farrow, Kina Butts, Anthony Bacon, Clifton Officer, Frederica Broomfield, Elaine Welles and Louise Martin.**



Join the Sunday School Teaching Team!
Fall is here and our Sunday School has begun! The children and teens are still signing up, the curriculum is selected, and our classrooms are ready. There's only one very important thing missing--additional teachers! We are in need of several Sunday School teachers who would be interested in donating a few hours per month toward making a difference in the spiritual life of our Camphor children. Classes vary by age and are taught on a rotating schedule. Curriculum includes music, arts and crafts, cooking, computers and more!. Please consider this most vital role in the life of our church. You'll have fun building relationships with our children or teens and making new adult friends. Please email or call [Sharon Brown](#) at 856-397-5438 or leave a message in the church office to volunteer.



Sunday School Needs

TEACHERS



Philadelphia Boys Choir & Chorale

**November 18, 2007
3:00 PM**



85th Anniversary Benefit Concert at Camphor Memorial United Methodist Church

Ticket Price: \$10

Contact: Jean Rhodes, Gloria Todd or Charlotte Jones or purchase online at [TICKETWEB](#)

this week

Family of the late Phoebe Bell, substitute organist for Camphor, who passed this week

Mrs. Catherine Williams, admitted to Mercy Hospital this week

For 10,000 men to hear the call to action and become peacekeepers in our city

Keep Walking by Barbara Aldrich

Here we stand together,

Dressed in our pain,

Covered with scars

From wounds we

did not ask for

Or deserve.

So what now?

We can't go back and relive our lives.

We can't take back the innocence we lost

Or make the sadness we felt into happiness.

But we can go on from here,

So let us start.



Invitation To Thursday Bible Study

Ruth Harmon, Bible Study Leader, invites everyone to bring their Bibles, a friend and join her on Thursday mornings for Bible Study at Camphor. The current course of study is the Book of Ecclesiastes for six weeks.

Approximately two chapters will be studied each week. The group meets from 10 to 11:30 am in the Great Hall for lively discussion, spiritual growth and real life application. Mrs. Dorothea Burnett is the Teacher Emeritus of the class.

In Grateful Appreciation

Bernard Waties and Josephine Keyes write, "It is with great thanks and gratitude that we accept the gift from the Finance Committee. Our involvement to conduct the audit comes from a Christian commitment of service to our church and to our God."



Elizabeth Lockwood writes, "To Rev. Rookard, Rev. Brown, the Senior Choir, Finance Committee and Camphor Family and friends. My recuperation power was greatly enhanced by your cards, call, visits and prayers during my recent hospitalization. My heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you."

Message from Finance Committee

All chairpersons and presidents of organizations and ministries should have a Signature Authorization Form on file in the Finance Office. The form can be obtained from Elizabeth Rivers, Gwendolyn Deas, or Kathryn Jasper. Please note that this form is required for receipt or transfer of any funds from organization accounts.



Donations Needed For "Free Market"



Please Help!

Donations of new and used winter clothing (coats, sweaters, pants, gloves, hats, boots), blankets and household items (furniture, tools, housewares, toys, books, etc) are needed for men, women and children in the community. Please begin to gather items that you can share with others and bring them to the church on November 17, 18, 19, 2007 from 10 am to 12 pm. Items will be distributed free of charge during the Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Tuesday, November 20, 2007, at Camphor Memorial UMC. All items should be clean and in good repair. Hangers and carry bags also appreciated. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity! Sponsored by Camphor Council for Community Development.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat...I needed clothes and you clothed me...Jesus, Matt. 25:36 NIV.

Message from the 85th Church Anniversary Committee



Each member is asked to make a special contribution of \$85 on

Stretch out your hand to mine,

Close your eyes

And slowly let the pain slip away.

Let go of the sadness;

It belongs to yesterday,

And let's walk.

The earth is firm beneath our feet.

The sun is warm on our face.

Heavenly Father sees our struggle,

Smiles at our effort,

And sends us strength.

My friends, we can't stay, looking back,

Lest we falter.

We must face forward,

Eyes wide open,

And keep on walking.

Hold tight and don't let go;

You aren't walking alone,



the occasion of our 85th church anniversary. Dinner sponsors for the Praise Dancers, who will be performing at the banquet, will also be greatly appreciated. Members of the [Finance](#)

[Committee](#) will receive donations in the Great Hall each Sunday after church

Ads, memorials and patrons list for 85th Anniversary Souvenir Journal are due October 28, 2007. Full page \$75, half page \$50, quarter page \$35, patron list group \$5, Mr & Mrs. \$3, Individual \$2. Please contact [Aneita Douglas](#), [Sharon Brown](#), [Edward Hale](#) and [Ronald Deas](#).

[Philadelphia Boys Choir and Chorale](#) in concert at Camphor, November 18, 2007, donation \$10. Please contact [Jean Rhodes](#), [Gloria Todd](#) or [Charlotte Jones](#).

85th Church Anniversary Banquet, November 25, 2007, Holiday Inn-City Line, donation \$45. Please contact [Gloria Johnson](#) or [Kit Boyd](#).

Anniversary souvenirs (commemorative notes, plates, mugs, t-shirts, caps and visors) will be on sale in the Great Hall after worship services. Please contact [Carol Black](#), [Walter King](#), [Gloria Johnson](#) or [Kit Boyd](#).



Volunteer Opportunity: Tape Ministry

Volunteers are needed to record and copy tapes of Sunday morning worship services for our shut-ins and others, upon request, who enjoy listening to our services. We would like to expand the ministry to include tapes of weddings, funerals and other special days or events in the worship life of the church. Volunteers should be spirit-filled and committed to the vision of the ministry. Technical skills in audio-visual equipment helpful but not required as we will provide training. Number of persons needed: 10. Time commitment: 1 Sunday per month. To volunteer, please contact [Carol Black](#), [Rev. Rookard](#) or call the church office.

Bible Verse For the Week



"But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners." Matthew 9:13 NIV.

Christian Humor

When you get to your wit's end, you'll find God lives there.



Share a Smile—
It's Contagious

And neither am I.



Tuesday, Oct. 23	Community Fellowship	10 am
Wednesday, Oct. 24	GED & Adult Education	9 am
	Covenant Discipleship Group	9:30 am
Thursday, Oct. 25	Bible Study	10 am
	Senior Choir Rehearsal	8 pm
Saturday, Oct. 27	Youth Choir Rehearsal	11 am
Sunday, Oct. 28	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Devotions	10:15 am
	Worship Service	11 am
	Annual Ushers Day	3 pm

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