

# **BAYPINES DISTRICT NETWORK**

*ALABAMA-WEST FLORIDA CONFERENCE*

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## **Baypines District Rally**

**“A Future With Hope”**

**October 26, 2008**

**2:45 PM**

**Atmore UMC**

Come join us as we celebrate and affirm the mission, ministries, and churches of the Baypines district on Sunday, October 26 at Atmore First UMC. The theme of our rally this year is “A Future With Hope”. The Phatt Boys from Spanish Fort will bless us with their music. The message will be delivered by Dr. Edward R. Glaize, pastor of Brewton United Methodist Church. He is currently the Chair of the Order of Elders and teaches as an adjunct professor for religion at Huntingdon College through the school of professional studies and at the Alabama Course of Study for Local Pastors. We will receive reports from several mission and ministry projects. Officers and committee members will be elected as we consider the needs of our district for the coming year. Most of all we will be richly blessed by coming together to worship. This is our chance to celebrate who we are, who we hope to be, and who we can be by God’s grace. Join us – You are a part of our district family and we want to celebrate with you the gifts God has given us and the tasks He has set before us.



# 2009 *Habitat for Humanity Build*

## 2009 Build Information

- When:** The next build is scheduled for September, 2009  
**Where:** Somewhere in our district.  
**For:** A deserving family who has already helped other families build their own decent, affordable home.  
**Who:** Everybody, yes everybody can help!  
The great and wonderful blessing of a Habitat build is that no experience is required.

### How can we help?

1. Make sure your church has a representative on the build team.
2. Continue to donate to the building project throughout 2008 & 2009.
3. Contact suppliers and contractors for in-kind materials and labor.
4. Keep the build team and project in your prayers!
5. All of the above!

Contact: Keith Bradford, 2009 Project Chairman      Phone 923-9774  
                 Gene Garthwait, Volunteer Coordinator      Phone 209-1943

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Loxley United Methodist Church  
Annual Golf Tournament  
October 26th

**\* Make a hole in one and win a car from Southern Chevrolet**

- **3 Person Scramble**
- **Shotgun start 2:00p.m.**

**Lake Forest Country Club**  
**\$50.00 Entry fee**

Entry fee includes round of golf, range balls and hamburgers & hotdogs following the tournament.

**Contact:**

Scott Harville 610-9401  
sharville1@bcbe.org  
or Jim Batchelor 979-7679



There will be a conference-wide training to receive American Heart Association Certification in Adult, Child, and Infant CPR Training with First Aid. The training will take place November 8, 2008 at Aldersgate UMC in Montgomery from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM. The cost is \$42.00. It is open to all interested persons. It is a great opportunity to train those serving in nursery ministries, children's ministries, and youth ministries. This certification will be good for 2 years. Make reservations by calling conference office (334-356-8014) or emailing [traci@awfumc.org](mailto:traci@awfumc.org). Send a check or money order to 100 Interstate Park Drive, Suite 120, Montgomery, AL 36109. Lunch is included in the cost.



## ***Training Day***

November 14, 2008

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Huntingdon College, Montgomery, AL

Whether you currently use [E-zekiel](#) to manage your web site or you're just interested in learning more, the AWF Conference has partnered with E-zekiel to bring you a one-day training event in Montgomery, Ala. Join us as a professional trainer, Dacia Gullede, shows us how to use E-zekiel to build and maintain a great web site. In four 1-hour sessions, we'll walk through pages and panels, events and forms, communications (podcasting, email, etc.), and designs (how to customize a design for your site). Come learn all the tips and tricks needed to be able to put together a great web site quickly and easily! More details to come soon!



**Save the Date:**

**Attract - Reach - Keep**

**A Hospitality, Welcoming, & Communications Seminar**

**November 15, 2008 at 8:00 AM**

**Gulf Breeze UMC**

How can congregations welcome beyond basic expectations? We invite you to join us for a fun-filled, ideas-packed day November 15, 8 a.m., in Gulf Breeze. During this high-energy, fun seminar, participants learn how to roll out hospitality and share a warm welcome to those yet to come and look at areas that guests notice. We cover why welcoming matters and what to do to make a positive first impression. Select two Hot Topics for your breakout groups. Each group will have interactive discussion and ideas. The day will begin with check-in and Welcome is provided; they, too, will enjoy a fun-filled learning experience. Bring every ministry leader and volunteer - ignite enthusiasm!

**REVISED**  
**2008 BAYPINES DISTRICT**  
**CHARGE CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

**CLUSTER CHARGE CONFERENCES**

**Thurs., Oct. 16th, @ Evergreen, First – 6:30 p.m.**

- \*Evergreen, First
- \*Holly Grove
- \*Mt. Zion, West/Wallace
- \*Pine Orchard/Centenary
- \*St. Paul/Sparta Hill/Shiloh

**Sun., Oct. 19th, @ East Brewton – 3:00 p.m.**

- \*Castleberry/Brownville
- \*East Brewton/Douglas Chapel
- \*Flomaton/Cedar Hill
- \*Hamden Ridge/May Creek

**Thurs., Oct. 23rd, @ Brewton, First – 6:30 p.m.**

- \*Baggett's Chapel/Belleville
- \*Brewton, First
- \*Mt. Pleasant/Owens Chapel
- \*Pollard

**Tues., Oct. 28th, @ Atmore, First – 6:30 p.m.**

- \*Atmore, First
- \*Canoe
- \*Coley's Chapel
- \*McRae Street/Bethel
- \*Perdido

**Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, @ Frisco City – 5:30 p.m.**

- \*Frisco City
- \*Excel/Megarel
- \*Uriah/Mineola
- \*Mexia

**Thurs., Nov. 6th, @ Fairhope – 5:30 p.m.**

- \*Daphne
- \*Fairhope
- \*Providence
- \*Spanish Fort

**Tues., Nov. 11th, @ Monroeville, First – 5:30 p.m.**

- \*Bermuda
- \*Monroeville, First
- \*Peterman
- \*Repton Charge

**Wed., Nov. 12th, @ Florala, First – 5:30 p.m.**

- \*Florala Charge
- \*Macedonia/Friendship
- \*Opp, First

**Thurs., Nov. 13th, @ Gulf Shores – 5:30 p.m.**

- \*Foley
- \*Gulf Shores
- \*Jubilee Shores
- \*Marlow
- \*Morgan's Chapel
- \*Orange Beach

**Tues., Nov. 18th, @ Robertsdale – 5:30 p.m.**

- \*Loxley
- \*Robertsdale
- \*Rosinton
- \*Summerdale/Daybreak

**Wed., Nov. 19th, @ Andalusia, First – 6:30 p.m.**

- \*Andalusia, First
- \*Dozier/Memorial, Opp
- \*Mt. Zion, East
- \*West End/Red Level/Searight

**Thurs., Nov. 20th, @ Bay Minette, First – 5:30 p.m.**

- \*Bay Minette, First
- \*Guy's Chapel/Lottie
- \*Little Zion
- \*St. Paul, Bay Minette
- \*Stapleton
- \*Stockton

# MEN IN THE NEWS

Thanks to Gulf Shores United Men's Fellowship's challenge to other churches in the district, Baypines District UMM has contributed at least \$1,500 to the Blue Lake drive. This spring, Gulf Shores UMM gave \$500 to Blue Lake and encouraged other UMM fellowships to match them. Gulf Shores' fish and loaves (and \$500 is a lot of fish and loaves) has been multiplied. We affirm Gulf Shores' leadership as well as the acts of those fellowships who responded to the challenge. As United Methodist Men, we should follow their willingness to reach beyond our own memberships and congregations to touch others. Of course, it is never too late for your fellowship to join in multiplying those fish and loaves by giving to Blue Lake.

The annual Baypines UMM banquets have been postponed till January because of scheduling conflicts with charge conferences. This year, Rev. Outlaw has a full calendar in November, and we don't want to meet without his great spirit and gargantuan appetite. January should be a busy month for Baypines UMM with two district banquets and the annual Men's Advance sponsored by the conference on the third weekend in January (15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> in 2009). If you have never been to an Advance (we call it Advance because we do not want to retreat), you have missed inspiring programs as well as a chance to get away from the rest of the world. Look for brochures to be sent to your church in mid to late November with full details.

One of the focuses of UMM in the next year will be spiritual development. While we still have a few units who do little more than meet and eat, most of our fellowships are active in the church and local community, and several are reaching out to touch the world in Christ's name. But with a few notable exceptions, we have not looked inward. Becoming stronger Christian men by studying God's word with each other will better equip us to serve God in our own lives, in our fellowships, and in our churches. In our district and conference meetings, we hope to provide individual fellowships with ideas and tools to deepen their self-ministry and thereby strengthen our dedication to Christ.

On a personal note, the district president, John Croft, has retired and can now be reached at home: 207 Stanley Avenue, Andalusia, AL 36420; or 334.222.3523; or [johnboy@andycable.com](mailto:johnboy@andycable.com). He apologizes to those who reached his old work number and heard a recorded message promising that he'd return the call. It seems that his employer hadn't noticed his departure.



**Energize 2008- Youth Retreat at Blue Lake**  
**October 17-October 19, 2008**  
**Cost: \$95.00**

*Energize* is a dynamic Spiritual Formation Retreat for Junior High and High School Students held at Blue Lake Assembly. *Energize* includes great speakers, musicians, worship opportunities, and fun recreation. This year's speaker will be Corey Truett. Thalon will lead worship and perform a concert.

# *Baypines District Calendar*



**October 26**

**District Rally**

*2:45 PM, Atmore UMC*



**November 1**

**AWF UMW Annual Day**

*Blue Lake*



**December 4**

**District Clergy Christmas Celebration**

*6:30 PM. Atmore UMC*



**December 18-  
January 4**

**District Office will be closed for the holidays**



## Alabama- West Florida Conference Disaster Response Team

### UMCOR FLOOD BUCKET INFORMATION

Depot executive, Kathy Kraiza, reports, "Since June 17, we have shipped more than 5,000 flood buckets in response to requests from annual conferences in the mid-west. We are down to only 200 flood buckets in stock and we are only two weeks into the hurricane season." Sager Brown distributed 4,008 buckets in all of 2007. Increasing the supply of flood buckets has become the most urgent need at the Depot, as communities in the Midwest continue the clean-up process.

These five gallon buckets are filled with supplies to enable people to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up after a flood or hurricane. UMCOR Sager Brown Depot and other United Methodist depots in the connection collect, package and ship buckets to flooded areas all over the United States.

UMCOR needs your help to ensure this kind of support continues to be readily available. The many emergencies over the past months have depleted response supplies with 6,624 flood buckets shipped to emergencies around the country in the past six weeks.

Gifts can be made to **UMCOR Material Resources Advance # 901440** which will enable UMCOR to purchase needed relief supplies.

Contact your **District Disaster Coordinator** for a collection within your district and continue to check AWF website for information on teams and events in association with Ike Response.

#### Flood Bucket Kit

Note: if the requested item size is not available, go down to the next available size. If nothing is available in the requested or smaller size, put masking tape on the outside of the bucket saying, "This bucket contains no \_\_\_\_\_"

- 5-gallon bucket with resealable lid
- Bleach (two 1-quart or one 82 oz. bottle. Do not include bleach if you are shipping the bucket through the US Postal Service, UPS or FedEx)
- 5 scouring pads
- 7 Sponges
- 1 scrub brush
- 18 cleaning towels (reusable wipes)
- Liquid laundry detergent (two 25 oz. or one 50 oz. bottle)
- 1 household cleaner, 12-16 oz. bottle
- Disinfectant dish soap, 16-28 oz. bottle
- 50 clothes pins
- Clothes line (two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.)
- 5 dust masks
- 2 pair latex gloves
- 1 pair work gloves
- 24-bag roll of heavy-duty trash bags, 33-45 gallon (remove roll from box before placing in bucket)
- 1 Insect repellent spray, 6-14 oz. can (If aerosol, cans must have protective caps. See Special Requirements below.)
- 1 Air freshener, 8 or 9 oz. can (If aerosol, cans must have protective caps. See Special Requirements below.)

### Important Kit Assembly Information

- All items included in kits must be NEW items.
- All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items-nothing more.
- Do NOT include any personal notes, money or additional materials in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

### Special Shipping Requirements

**Cleaning Agents.** All cleaning agents must be liquid and in plastic bottles. No powders. Pack them inside a bucket or strong outer box.

**Aerosols or Flammables.** If including these types of supplies, ship kits by UPS Ground, Fed Ex Ground, or by truck. Do NOT ship by US Mail or DHL/Airborne freight.

### For Processing / Shipping Cost Information and Instructions

Follow the "**Instructions**" link in the highlighted Packing and Shipping Kits section at the right side.

Thank you for your donation- it helps sustain lives!

For information on other supplies and kits check  
the **UMCOR** website *Relief Supplies*

Blessings & Peace,  
**Amelia**



**Amelia Fletcher**

**Director of Gulf Shore; UMC Servant Ministries...** *meeting physical*

*AWF Conference Disaster Response Coordinator*

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*Clergy Christmas Celebration*



*December 4, 2008*

*6:30 PM*

*Atmore United Methodist Church*

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