

# The Orange Branch

Orange United Methodist Church

May 2010

## Sunday Morning Schedule:

8:45 am Worship  
10:00 am Sunday School  
11:00 am Worship  
Office Hours:  
Mon-Fri - 9am-2pm

**The Members of Orange UMC are its ministers. The staff who assist them in their work are:**

- Anne Chandler  
*Administrative Assistant*
- Dee Smithwick  
*Custodian*
- Jennifer Smithwick  
*Children's Director*
- Joy Turner  
*Music Director*
- Max Vincent  
*Pastor*

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June newsletter deadline is:  
May 15

Email:  
orangeumc@orangeumc.org



## Wesley Woods Offering

**Recently I received** the following letter from Bishop Watson:

*Dear Friends:*

*Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Because I am privileged in a unique way to be in touch with the vast ministry of our blessed denomination, I see over and over how God makes the ordinary into the extraordinary. This is especially true in our own North Georgia Conference.*

*I want to ask you to help continue to go where God is moving us by supporting Wesley Woods' annual Mother's Day Offering. As their brochure reminds us, Isaiah promised in the New Creation "no more shall there be...old people who don't enjoy a full life for one who dies at a hundred will be considered a youth." (65.20)*

*Wesley Woods makes this come true for some seniors here and now. With our help they can put a smile on their faces.*

*Grace and peace,*

*B. Michael Watson*

On Sunday, May 9th, we will receive our annual offering to support Wesley Woods. Your generous gifts help provide care and basic necessities to the older adults who are a part of the retirement community, nursing homes, geriatric hospitals and hospice care which are a part of Wesley Woods' ministry.

Thank you,

*Max*

## Children's Ministry

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## Vacation Bible School

**June 6-10**

**As we approach** the end of yet another school year, we are beginning to think about the things we will be doing with our children this summer. We hope your plans will include bringing your children to Vacation Bible School at Orange from June 6 thru June 10 from 6pm until 9 pm.

During that week, we will serve the children a snack supper, have crafts, music, recreation, and much more fun events for the children to enjoy. In order to make VBS a very successful event we need you to bring your children as well as children of neighbors, friends and family to VBS. We promise they will have a great time learning about God.

Also, in order for VBS to be successful, we need volunteers. We need teachers, cooks, helpers, craft workers, recreation workers, and food donations. There is a place for everyone who is wishing to be a part of VBS this year. Please contact Jennifer Smithwick for more information at 770-735-1083 or [travnjenny@tds.net](mailto:travnjenny@tds.net)

<p><b>Outreach / Missions</b>                  Ed McDonald, Outreach Coordinator                  Email: edmacmo@gmail.com                  Phone: 770-720-6089</p>	
<p><b>On Sunday, April 25</b>, fifteen youth and chaperones met at 6:30 am in the church parking lot. We traveled to Marietta to feed breakfast, prepare and hand out sack lunches to the homeless. We know we were all deeply affected by this experience. Several of our youth members have commented on the gratitude and spirit of those we were serving. Thanks to Michael Ridings whose long-time</p>	<p>affiliation with this ministry made it possible for us to contribute. There is some talk about making this a regular mission activity with the youth (must be 8th grade or older) and adults.</p> <p>If you are interested in learning more about this ministry or possibly joining in, please let us know.</p>
<p><b>Watoto Children’s Choir — May 6</b></p>	
<p><b>The Watoto Children’s Choir</b> will perform Thursday, May 6th at 7 pm at Ball Ground United Methodist Church. Admission is free.</p> <p>Since 1994 Watoto Children’s Choirs have toured internationally spreading a message of hope for Africa’s children. The choir presents Watoto’s vision and mission through their music and dance, which is an energetic fusion of contemporary gospel and traditional African rhythm. The</p>	<p>children are among the almost 2 million boys and girls in Uganda who have had the tragic experience of losing one or both of their parents to AIDS or war. Now through their inspiring performances, the Watotot Children’s Choir is moving the hearts of people around the world as they share their vision of hope.</p> <p>For more information about the Watoto Children’s Choir visit <a href="http://www.watoto.com">www.watoto.com</a>.</p>
<p><b>Camp Glisson — June 7-11</b></p>	
<p><b>Camp Glisson</b> is making their quality camping experience available to youth in the Milton, Alpharetta, Cumming and Canton areas by offering Day Camp the week of June 7-11 from 9:30 am until 4:30 pm. Boys and girls finishing 1st grade through 6th grades will enjoy activities such as group games, nature exploration, challenge course, crafts, skits as well as other activities. Older campers may try</p>	<p>archery and belayed tree climbing (pending availability). The week will include a day trip to Camp Glisson in Dahlonega to go on a creek hike and swim in the Glisson Pool.</p> <p>For more information contact the Camp Glisson website at <a href="http://www.glisson.org">www.glisson.org</a> or cal Nancy Spence at Birmingham UMC at 678-942-1613. Register early to get your spot!</p>
<p><b>MUST Ministries Gala — May 15</b></p>	
<p><b>Celebrating Stardom</b> is just around the corner. This year’s event will be held at the Waverly Renaissance Hotel on Saturday, May 15th. They are looking for silent auction items and sponsors. They are selling tickets for \$100 each to raise much-needed funds for the ministry. Please email Lane Henderson at <a href="mailto:lyhenderson@mustministries.org">lyhenderson@mustministries.org</a> if you can help!</p> 	

# Stewardship

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**Thanks to everyone** for your continued service, participation and support. As individuals and as a church family, we are blessed. Thank God that He always is with us loving us, encouraging us and supporting us each day.

I know all who attended the Tom Thumb Wedding, Talent Show and Spaghetti Dinner thoroughly enjoyed the evening. The children were wonderful, the talent acts were great and the dinner was delicious. Many thanks are due the children, the very talented people who performed, all who assisted in the various facets of the production and especially to Sue Lively who coordinated and organized the production.

Special thanks to Harry and Joyce Thigpen and Dennis Derr for the spaghetti dinner. Well over \$700.00 was received for the Benevolence ministry.

Our next event will be our Yard Sale and Silent Auction scheduled for Saturday, May 8 (rain date: May 22). The hours for the Yard Sale are 8 am until 2 pm, and for the Silent Auction, the hours are 8 am until 2:30 pm. (Please see the separate announcement regarding the Yard Sale and Silent Auction in this newsletter).

The 13th-Month Campaign continues. Please be in prayer and support this campaign as you can. The monthly update on our giving and financial status is hared in the chart below.

Please be in prayer and give as you can throughout the year. Again, thank you for your service, dedication and support.

*Paula*

## BUDGET UPDATE

<b>2010 Budget:</b>	<b>\$232,163.00</b>
<b>Needed Monthly:</b>	<b>\$ 19,346.92</b>
<b>Giving in January 2010</b>	<b>\$ 15,975.50</b>
<b>Giving in February</b>	<b>\$ 13,582.00</b>
<b>Giving in March</b>	<b>\$ 14,068.00</b>
<b>Giving in April</b>	<b>\$ 16,326.80</b>
<b>Giving in May</b>	
<b>Giving in June</b>	

<b>Giving in July</b>
<b>Giving in August</b>
<b>Giving in September</b>
<b>Giving in October</b>
<b>Giving in November</b>
<b>Giving in December</b>



## May Birthdays

Carol Hicks	May 1
Cindy McFarland	May 1
Tom Cissell	May 2
Cindy Cagle	May 4
Drew Marchetta	May 5
Missy Dayoub	May 5
Tom Holcombe	May 6
Margie Lough	May 8
Betty Wallace	May 9
Jane Sharp	May 10
Matthew Vincent	May 10
Kevin Cartmill	May 11
Deani Blalock	May 12
Kate Cartmill	May 14
Ryan Cartmill	May 14
Tony Rice	May 14
Dan White	May 15
Ashley Starr	May 15
Sharon Kessler	May 16
Katie Murphy	May 18
Ryan King	May 20
Betty Hutson	May 20
Mary Elizabeth Shelley	May 25
Danielle Gradwell	May 27
Cindy Turner	May 28
Robbin Turner	May 30
Sam Lough	May 31
Beth Williams	May 31

## United Methodist Women

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**Spring is in the air** and flowers are blooming! If you need the perfect Mother's Day gift, stop by the UMW booth at the church Yard Sale & Silent Auction on Saturday, May 8th. We will have beautiful flowers and hanging baskets for a great gift for Mom! New this year to our sale are 1-gallon tomato plants! All of our plants are high-quality and grown by a local grower. Also available for sale at our booth, will be the antique, wooden Sunday school chairs once used in the children's classes at Orange.

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, our May meeting will be on Monday, May 24th at 6:30 pm in the church Fellowship Hall. We hope to see everyone there!

### Youth Ministry

Pastor Max  
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**On Sunday, May 2nd**, we will have our next Mystery Trip. We will meet at the church at 4 pm and we will return to the church by 7 pm. You will need \$7.00 and a pair of comfortable shoes. Please bring a friend. The \$7.00 will cover you and your friend!

AtlantaFest will be at Stone Mountain Park June 16-19. Unfortunately, this is the same time as Annual Conference this year, so we will not be able to take a group from the church. For information on the artists performing, speakers, and ticket information, please go to [www.atlantafest.com](http://www.atlantafest.com).

The youth will *not* meet on Mother's Day, May 9th.

### Sundays in May

**May 2**—Scripture: John 13:31-38, Sermon: "The Mark of Disciples"

**May 9**—Mother's Day—Scripture: John 14:23-29, Sermon: "The Promise of the Spirit"

**May 16**—Ascension Sunday—Scripture: John 17:20-26, Sermon: "That We Be One"

**May 23**—Pentecost & Graduation Sunday—Scripture: Acts 2:1-21, Romans 8:14-17, Sermon: "What We Have Received"

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**CALENDAR KEY:** S=Sanctuary; FH= Fellowship Hall;  
 SS=Sunday school Rm.; YR= Youth Rm.; BCO=Basement  
 Church Office; CO=Church Office; MR=Music Rm.;  
 SH=Scout Hut; CP=Church Pavilion CG=Church  
 Grounds; CPL=Church Parking Lot; OL= Outside Loca-  
 tion ; WA=Wooded Area; LLCO= Lower Level of  
 Church Office; BS=Boy Scouts; GS=Girl Scouts

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>May Day</i>
2 <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i> Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10 am (MR) Youth-5-7pm (FH) BS-4-5:30 pm (SS)	3  BOT- 7 pm (CO) GS-6-8 pm (FH)	4  Choir-7-8 pm (MR) BS-7-9 pm (FH)	5  SPRC-7 pm (CO)	6 <i>National Day of Prayer</i>  GS-7-9 pm (FH)	7  <i>Yard Sale Prep Day</i>  GS-4-5:15pm (FH) BS-5:30-9 pm (FH)	8  <i>Yard Sale &amp; Silent Auction—all of campus</i>
9 <i>6th Sunday of Easter / Mother's Day/Wesley Woods Offering</i> Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10 am (MR)	10  MOW (FH) Reserved  GS-6-8 pm (FH)	11  MOW-8-2 pm (FH)  Choir-7-8 pm (MR) BS-7-9 pm (FH)	12	13 <i>Ascension of the Lord</i>  Finance Committee-7:30 pm (CO) BS-6-7:30 pm (FH)	14	15
16 <i>7th Sunday of Easter / Ascension Sunday</i> Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10 am (MR) Youth-5-7pm (FH)	17	18  Choir-7-8 pm (MR) BS-7-9 pm (FH)	19  Church Council-7:30 pm (CO)	20	21	22 <i>Graduates Sunday Prep</i>  Yard Sale—rain date FH Reserved all day—
23 <i>Pentecost Sunday / Heritage Sunday/Graduates Sunday</i> Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10 am (MR) Graduates Reception (FH) Youth-5-7pm (FH)	24 <i>Aldersgate Day</i>  UMW-6:30-8:30 pm (FH)	25  Choir-7-8 pm (MR) BS-7-9 pm (FH)	26  Sr's Bingo-11:30 am (FH)	27	28  <i>Last Day of School</i>	29
30 <i>Trinity Sunday / Peace with Justice</i> Worship 8:45 & 11 am (S) Sunday School-10 am Children's Music-10 am (MR) Youth-5-7pm (FH)	31 <i>Memorial Day</i>  <i>Office Closed</i>					

## May Announcements

### Community Singing—August 29

The next **Community Singing** will be August 29th at Hightower Church. If you have never been to a Community Singing, you are encouraged to try it. This will be a wonderful night of Christian music. Mark your calendars now so that you won't miss it!

### Mystery Trip—May 2

The **youth** will have another Mystery Trip this Sunday, May 2. We will leave the church at 4 pm and return by 7 pm. Please bring some comfortable shoes and \$7.00.

You are encouraged to bring a friend on this adventure. You do not have to pay for your friend's participation, we will cover it.

Also, remember that the youth will not meet on Mother's Day, May 9.

### Graduation Sunday—May 23

On **Sunday, May 23rd** we will celebrate Graduation Sunday. The High School and College graduates will be recognized during the morning worship services and there will be a reception following the 11 am service where you can greet them. All parents of graduating seniors, please call the church office so we can be sure we have the correct information for your graduate.

### OUMC Yard Sale & Silent Auction-May 8

Our **Yard Sale and Silent Auction** are planned for Saturday, May 8. Hours will be 8-2 pm for the Yard Sale and 8-2:30 pm for the Silent Auction. This year, we will have a OUMC food tent. Yard Sale booth rentals will be \$20. Booth reservations can be made by contacting the church office at 770-886-9662.

We are going to need new or like-new items for the Silent Auction. Auction items can include personal services such as babysitting, car washes, cabin or condo usage for a weekend "get-away". If you know businesses or individuals who might be willing to donate items for the auction, please let us know and we will contact them with information.

If you cannot participate in the Yard Sale or Silent Auction, please come by and have lunch at the OUMC food tent on May 8th. All proceeds from the Yard Sale and Silent Auction will benefit the church's general fund. We look forward to seeing everyone!

### UMW Plant Sale—May 8

The **UMW** will have a plant sale at the Yard Sale on Saturday, May 8. There will be a good selection of bedding plants, tomato plants and hanging plants. The plants are a good idea for Mother's Day gifts!

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