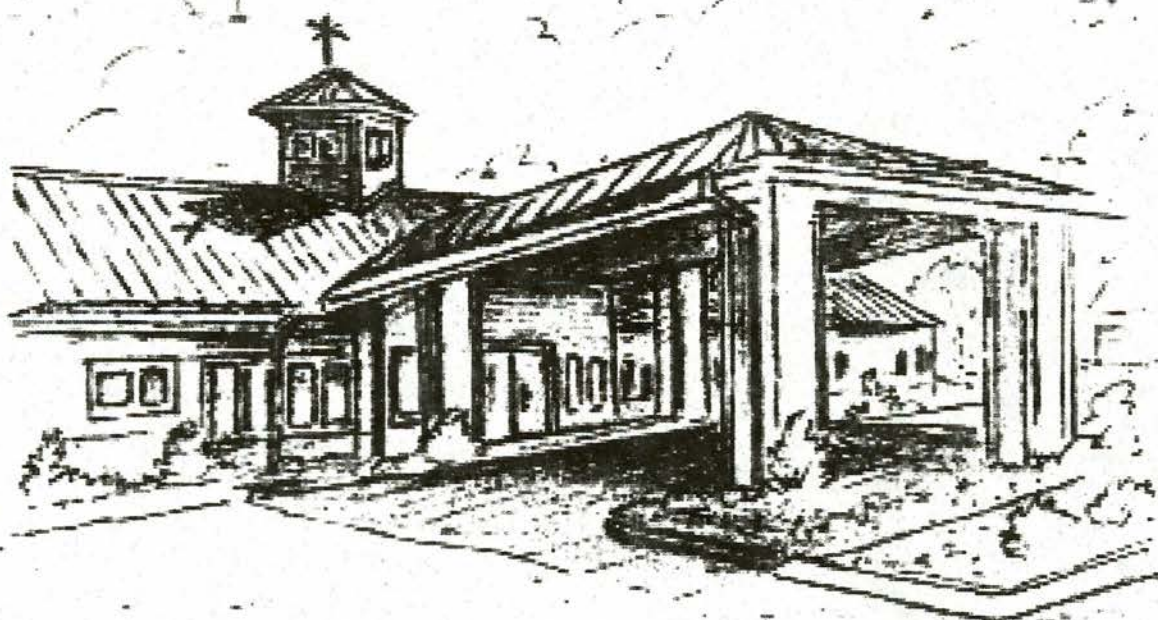


10TH ANNIVERSARY

2000 - 2010



FAITH HARBOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SURF CITY, NORTH CAROLINA

INTRODUCTION: This is a summary about the work of the assigned committees and their efforts to prepare the history, select pictorials, review documents and various clippings from different publications to pull together the story of Faith Harbor United Methodist Church. Sherry Mewborn's willingness to write the first several years of church history from her vivid recollection of the founding, formation and chartering of our church was truly God sent as most of the historical information was found stored in several boxes of file folders with numerous packets of pictures, the majority of which had no dates or identifying labels. Sally Scott took on the onerous task of reviewing all the pictures, sorting, dating and labeling so that other committee members could select a cross representation of congregants and activities to be displayed on tri-fold boards throughout the Narthex over the five week period prior to the anniversary celebration date of May 16, 2010. The church history book includes some pictures taken from the last two church directories.

As the work of the committees continued, Sherry Mewborn continued to write beyond the first two years with such clarity and detail that she was urged to complete the written history piece which is truly a delight to read. It is hoped that all who set their eyes to these pages will whole heartedly agree.

It is important that the Leadership Council consider appointing a standing committee to continue the collection of information concerning events and activities at Faith Harbor to keep the history accurate and up-to-date.

With profound appreciation to all committee members and especially to those individuals who accepted special assignments to make the 10th Anniversary Celebration luncheon a pleasurable event:

Fund Raisers
Table Decorations
Caterers

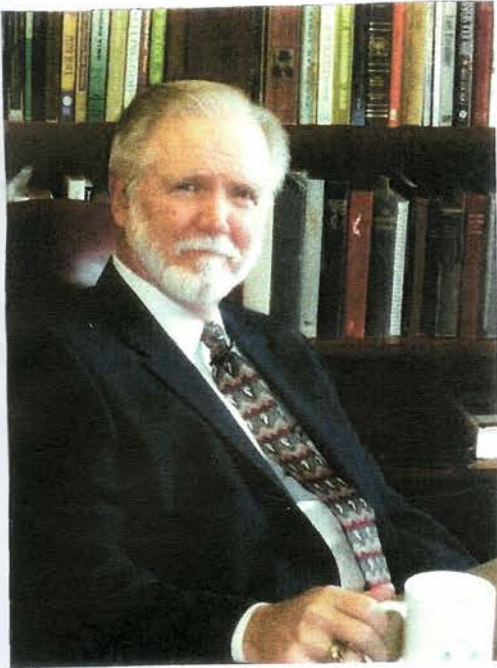
Zander Guy and Doug Medlin
Doris Davis and Carol Justice
Tony and Nancy Merlino

Menu Planners
Anniversary Cake

Marion Shade and Jean Hawley
Lois and Sam Snyder

We also, thank all of the many luncheon server-helpers.

May God bless all and be with us as we carry on in His service at Faith Harbor United Methodist Church.



Reverend Jesse C. Staton, Jr.

**A
MESSAGE
FROM THE
PASTOR**

There came a time in the hearts of men in this place that a yearning for God's Word became palpable. Our region had seen half a century of economic growth and development. Yet, souls still hungered for the True Word fresh and strong, a Word that embodied forgiveness, reconciliation, and devotion to God in Christ Jesus.

While laymen committed to the birth and growth of a congregation here began their conversations, it took the appointment of the Reverend Tom Greener to crystallize this process and, over the years, to lead this band of believers to the fulfillment of their souls' longings.

The young Faith Harbor congregation was established on the pillars of love and trust, of mission and devotion. It was chartered by the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church in May 2003, with one hundred charter members.

Her missions have been directed toward the hungry, the hurt and the disenfranchised. Countless families have been fed through our Food Pantry and many more have been sheltered and protected through Mercy Abounds, remembering Christ's admonition in Matthew 25.

Small groups of friends and prayer partners, nonexistent before God planted our church, nourish the lives and souls of our members in Bible study and prayer.

Faith Harbor has become a destination for visitors and vacationers. In our regular services, our beach services, and our seasonal community services, many of those travelers have come to call us “their church home away from home,” adding so much to the character and spirit of our worship.

Our intentional, confidential outreach to military families keeps Faith Harbor in close touch with the dominant military culture surrounding us, making a wonderful difference in the lives of families with deployed members.

Faith Harbor remains to this day a haven where hungry, wounded souls are nourished and healed.

Now, ten years after auspicious visions became reality, we welcome you to this special celebration of ministry. Bishop, al Gwinn, is our guest preacher.

Truly, thousands of photographs and documents have been located, sorted, and codified in preparation for this day and the subsequent recording of our history. Mrs. Jean Hawley, our arbiter of manners and Christian means has led this effort and we thank her.

This morning, as we celebrate our beginnings, we cast an eager eye toward the preferred future God has in store for the good folks who constitute Faith Harbor United Methodist Church.

THE HISTORY

by

Sherry Mewborn

Faith Harbor United Methodist Church

Surf City, North Carolina

In 1999, the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church did a research study of the Topsail Island area and decided that there was enough interest and permanent population to establish a new Methodist church in the area. In 2000, Bishop Marion Edwards appointed Pastor Tom Greener to be in charge of this new church plant. Pastor Tom was at that time an Associate Pastor at Wesley Memorial UMC in Wilmington, so his family was already located in the area; and while the commute from his home to Surf City each day was rather long, it was "doable".

Pastor Greener was given a budget and in early 2000, he rented a space behind the Wings building in the heart of Surf City to be the headquarters for this project. He began to assemble a committee of interested local residents and Methodist supporters from Wesley Memorial. Bill and Charlene Greener, Tom's parents, were eager to become members of the new church in support of their son and so were their friends, Charles and Sylvia Jarrell. Locally, Zander Guy had already been in contact with the New Bern District Superintendent about the need for a Methodist church in the area and he began to work with Tom, too. Some of the others on this planning committee were Melissa Erickson, Dawn Frazier, Herman Strickland, and Jerry Guine who took active roles in the planning procedures, and some of these became the first Leadership Team during 2000 and 2001. It was determined, with Tom's guidance, that the new church would be named Faith Harbor which was appropriate for the coastal location. The mission statement of the new church was formulated.

Tom and Zander, a local realtor and later the town mayor, began to look for a piece of land on which the church could eventually be constructed and a site was selected and purchased on Highway 210/50 in a very visible location on the mainland side close to the bridge to the island. A sign was erected which stated that a new Methodist church, Faith Harbor United Methodist, was "Coming Soon". This was a permanent advertising technique, too. People in the community began to discuss the church.

One of the biggest dilemmas that the committee and Tom faced was getting the word out to the local population in an area with no local radio or tv station and only a weekly newspaper, **The Topsail Voice**. Tom did manage to get an article or two into this paper about his plans, but a big part of their public relations plan relied on local mailings.

Postcards were mailed to the general population on more than one occasion to inform them of the first worship service which was set to be held in May, 2000. In April 2000, the island held its annual "Spring Fling" and Pastor Tom set up a booth. He had purchased hundreds of Frisbees with the words Faith Harbor United Methodist Church on them and these were handed out to anybody who would take one.

Another dilemma was finding a location in which to meet. Topsail Island is a small fishing village and there were no large auditoriums or other spaces available. Tom and Zander approached Susan Valiente and her parents who ran a popular restaurant named Cherie's Steak House. Susan is a Methodist and was a member of the Hampstead United Methodist Church at that time. An agreement was worked out that Faith Harbor would meet in Cherie's for the first summer. This was a lovely location because the waterway ran near the restaurant and you could see the boats lining up for the 10:00 a.m.

bridge opening from the congregational seating area. It was very labor intensive to meet at the church office about 8:00 a.m. and gather everything together that was needed to make a worship service from the podium to the keyboard, transport it all to the restaurant, then break down the entire dining arrangement, store the tables and set up the chairs and other items in order to have worship by 9:30 a.m. When the service was over, this process had to be reversed, and it was an exhausting task.

The first service was held in May, 2000, and about 40 or more people showed up. Some were tourists, but most were locals who were checking out the new addition to the community. The service went well and weekly after that some people became repeat attendees. The music was at first provided by friends of Tom's from Wesley Memorial or by Karen Greener on the keyboard.

Dawn Frazier had agreed to be in charge of the children, but there was no place for them to meet, so it was decided that for that summer the children would meet on the wide front porch of the restaurant where small tables and chairs were set up. Dawn provided a simple Bible lesson, snacks, and coloring type activities to the five or six children who came.

Tom's messages had to be powerful to compete with the beautiful views of the waterway and marine traffic, and they were. About six weeks into the worship services, Tom decided to add a Sunday School class which would meet after worship. About eight to ten people agreed to stay and a study called **The Baby Boomer Bible Study** was started. Most of the participants and people who were displaying an interest in Faith Harbor were at first in that baby boomer generation so Tom had chosen wisely. Within a month, people were beginning to join the church and become regular members. So the

next task became to build membership. The insider joke of the time was that when attendance was counted each week, if a car slowed down and looked towards Cherie's as it passed, we counted the riders, too.

By the end of the summer of 2001, between twenty and twenty five people had officially joined the church, and it was decided that we had imposed on Cherie's Steak House about as much as we could. With fall and winter approaching, we knew that the situation of having the children meet on the front porch was not going to be feasible for much longer. Bud Dail and Mike Davis went to the church headquarters and built a short wall across the back, dividing the room into a small office for Tom and the larger space would be the sanctuary. Things became a lot easier for those members who had been doing the set up and break down at the restaurant. Chairs were purchased and a more permanent set up was arranged. The space could hold approximately seventy-five congregants, and it was assumed that a larger space would be needed soon. Several things happened that fall that affected the life of the church.

In September, 2000, a group of the women decided to form a loose type of women's circle group. About eight to ten women, which was almost all the women in the church at that time, decided to meet on the first Monday of each month to study together and work for the common good of the church. Charlene Greener, Rebecca Modlin, Karen Greener, and Sherry Mewborn were elected as the first officers of the circle. One of their first decisions was to initiate a program called Family Night Supper. Everyone was invited to a potluck supper followed by a short program. This was to be held on the first Wednesday of each month. Some months only a few people showed up, but this

grew into a major force and bonding agent for Faith Harbor, and lifelong friendships were formed which strengthened the church.

Another event that occurred early in the life of Faith Harbor was that the first Disciple classes were started. These groups studied the Scripture and became church leaders, too. The first real tragedy occurred that winter when Jerry Guine, who was a member and one of the original start-up committee, had a fatal heart attack. The twenty five to thirty members at that time rallied to be a support to his wife Joyce. His death caused even greater bonding among the congregants.

During this period our handful of small children had been meeting during church behind the short wall in Tom's office. Pretty quickly it was decided that having children have to whisper in their Sunday School wasn't going to be very effective or practical, but we had no other place for them. In 2001, an office in the same building as Surf City Florist, which was located across the street from the sanctuary and Wings, came up for rent and even though money was not abundant, the leadership team decided to rent it and devote it to the children on Sunday mornings and to other meeting groups during the week. When it was time for the message to begin, the small children were bundled up and marched in a hand-holding line across the street where they could talk loudly and complete their projects with ease. The women of the church took turns being in charge of the children's program and at that time any adolescents who came stayed with the church body.

The music program was slowly beginning to develop. Karen Greener could play the keyboard and Melissa Erickson was leading the singing. Jeff Olson, a friend of Tom's from Pine Valley Methodist Church, agreed to come for six months and play his

guitar and lead in the music program. A purchase had been made of the **Renew Hymnal** and shortly after that a small choir was formed which consisted of Karen Greener, Melissa Erickson, David and Gail Ayers, and Doug Mewborn providing the music under Jeff's direction.

Every plan didn't go perfectly in those early years. It was decided that a Friday night "Coffee Ministry" would be held in the summer of 2001. The reasoning behind the idea was that the very central location of the church might attract tourists and locals alike to come in and meet the membership. Free blended coffees and snack foods were available and often a live praise band performed. A few of these events had some participation, but some Fridays our idea didn't attract a single person. This outreach plan wasn't as successful as was hoped, but the spirit of God was working in the small congregation and the desire to bring the "good news" to the area was growing.

Tom Greener introduced many of the Faith Harbor members to the idea of a "Walk to Emmaus". With his encouragement, members began to sign up to participate in this spiritual retreat that leads to a stronger discipleship and creates and renews dedicated church workers and leaders. This organization has continued to be an important part of the life of Faith Harbor, and dozens of members have gone on their own walks and returned to be contributors to the church body with increased enthusiasm.

A big event of 2001 was that Faith Harbor held their first annual yard sale. The women's circle had decided to sponsor a yard sale; and Sally Scott volunteered herself and her husband, Mike, to be the chairmen of this event, little realizing that it would turn into the major project of the year for many years to come. The yard sale was held in the parking lot across from the church. By this time Faith Harbor had approximately forty to

fifty regular attendees who agreed to clean out attics and storage units to get the inventory together. It was held on the Fourth of July weekend to take advantage of the tourist season. The workers were all sunburned and nearly melted when it was over but still delighted with the \$600.00 profit. A quick decision was made that the yard sale would move to a cooler month, though, and after that October became the time of choice.

Another tradition that was started in the small space across from what is now Andy's, was the Intercessory Prayer Team. Gail Ayers and some other devoted members decided to meet before the 9:30 a.m. worship service each Sunday to pray for the church, its leaders, our country and leaders, and any issues that required intervention from God to protect our church and its membership and the community. That tradition continues on to the present time, and Faith Harbor acquired the highly desirable reputation of being a "praying church".

By the year 2002, it was generally discussed and agreed upon by all that the church was going to have to have new space that was larger and could contain the children's program and other events under one roof. Dan Medlin had a building at Treasure Coast Landing, and Faith Harbor contracted with him to take the spot. Bud Dail and Bruce Williams partitioned it and put in shelving to meet the church's needs. In this new location, there would be a sanctuary that was three to four times larger than the location at Andy's, and three or more small classrooms for the children could be established. In addition, Tom would have a dedicated office space and there was room for storage and even some sparse kitchen possibilities in the back room. It seemed palatial compared to the Andy's location and provided the opportunities for growth that the church needed at that time.

Shortly after the move to Treasure Coast Landing, Tom heard through the Chamber of Commerce that a woman was planning to move to the island and that she owned a grand piano for which she needed to find a temporary home. Even more wonderful than that news, was the news that this lady was an accomplished pianist who might be willing to consider part-time employment in a local church. When Maura Johnson agreed to place her own grand piano in Faith Harbor and take over as the pianist and choir director, Jeff Olson was able to return to his own congregation. His six months promise had stretched into two years, and his service to Faith Harbor had been immeasurable.

With the larger space, Faith Harbor was able to play a much larger role in the community and was able to attract many more members. As the membership grew, the children's program correspondingly grew. Vacation Bible Schools were held every year from the very first year, and the number of children participating also increased. Women of the church were still serving the children on a volunteer basis, and the church began to attract some families that had teenagers.

Shortly after this move, Gail Ace and some devoted church faithful decided to begin a youth Sunday School class and a Sunday afternoon youth group made up of middle and high school students. Gail worked with this group with loyal assistants for several years until Philip Chryst came to Faith Harbor and took on the position of Youth Minister. When Philip left the area to go into the Seminary at Duke University, Ann Moore took on the position until she, too, moved away and Harriet Rice stepped into this role. Many other adults have participated in leading this group and chaperoning their many adventures. The Youth have contributed to every area of Faith Harbor and have

well represented the church at Pilgrimage, Footprints and other youth oriented programs. Those first youth are now in colleges and work places in many locations, but are always going to be part of the Faith Harbor family.

The years at Treasure Coast Landing were where Faith Harbor began another tradition that carries forth to today. Every summer since 2002, the church has hosted a student from Duke Divinity School who has served the church as a pastoral intern. Janet Balasko was the first intern and came for the summers of 2002 and 2003. Jared Schumacher also spent two summers, 2004 and 2005. Monique Williams came for the summer of 2006, and Colin Snider spent the summers of 2007 and 2008 at Topsail Island. In 2009, Becca Sollis came as last year's pastoral intern. These young seminary students came with new ideas and energy and invigorated the congregation. They participated in, or directed, the Vacation Bible School programs, and took part in whatever activities the church had going on in that season. While they learned and practiced and gained experience, they each earned a place in the hearts of the congregation of Faith Harbor.

While the women of the church had been active from Faith Harbor's early days, the men had never organized into a group. They had completed many tasks and had been the support group for the ideas that the women had devised, but they lacked any kind of official organization. The men had done a few tasks to aid members of the community and had been discovered to be great chefs at the barbecue grills. Jim Ace and Doug Mewborn initiated the formation of a more official Men of the Church group which has carried on diligently in areas supportive of the church and of the Topsail Island Community.

While the church was meeting at Treasure Coast Landing, the Leadership Team decided to use our unique location and begin a summer early service on the boardwalk at the end of Roland Avenue. This early service was open to anybody in any stage of dress, and often surfers and beach walkers came up on the platform and joined the Faith Harbor groups in beautiful early services right beside the ocean. This has continued with loyal volunteers every year since, and plans are being formulated right now for this tradition to continue this year, too.

Since the very first year of its life, Faith Harbor congregants have rallied around one major project, and this is the annual Yard Sale. While the sale is held in October, it is actually a year-round event. Mike and Sally Scott spend the entire year gathering the inventory and rallying the church to support this program. From the first year when \$600.00 was a wonderful blessing to the years that the proceeds went from the thousands to the tens of thousands of dollars, this project became an agent for good in the community. While the money was used for church missions and support, the actual beneficiaries of the work were the community members who relied on this as a source of product at very inexpensive prices. When the Scotts heard of a family that had a need and few resources, they could usually go, at any time of the year, to the multitude of storage units, empty houses, garages, and other places where items were being accumulated and allow the person to select what was needed. All over Pender County and even further points, Faith Harbor became known for its Yard Sale, and people planned their calendars around that fall weekend. This also served the church in that the Yard Sale was the one project that every member, of every age, participated in and

actively worked together toward a successful conclusion. It became an enormous bonding agent for the congregants.

While all these and many other programs were emerging and forming life, the church was growing, yet the space was staying the same. In the Methodist Church, it takes a membership of 100 people for the church to become officially chartered with the conference. The number 100 was rapidly approaching and the happy problem of space was rapidly becoming even more of an issue. One of the members, Jim Graziano, had an office across the driveway from the sanctuary building and he rented the large back room in his office to Faith Harbor. It became a meeting site for the growing Youth program and a place for other groups to meet during the week.

A chartering Sunday was planned for May, 2003, and Caswell Shaw, our District Superintendent, came to conduct the service and lead the church through the procedure. This was followed by one of Faith Harbor's famous potluck meals. Faith Harbor was officially now part of the United Methodist Church and the North Carolina Conference.

Still, it was perceived that Faith Harbor was going to have to begin a building program. Leo Valiente had from early days agreed to lead a Building Committee and this committee studied, reviewed, visited other church buildings and began to plan for the building that is today Faith Harbor United Methodist Church. Hiram Williams was hired as the General Contractor, and a groundbreaking event was held. This was a giant step in the life of the church and required commitments of effort and money. Jim Justice headed a major pledge campaign to acquire the funds to start this building. The building project consumed the congregation, and the membership spent much time checking on the site and following the progress of the construction. Hundreds of decisions, large and small,

had to be made. Like all building projects, this one, too, had some set backs, but as the plans began to take shape the membership was rejuvenated with the thoughts of the conveniences that were going to be offered. By this time, at Treasure Coast Landing, there were Sundays where people were standing at the back and sitting in the windowsills, so the new space was much anticipated and much needed.

June 26, 2006, was a momentous day for the Faith Harbor faithful. Pastor Tom led the worship service that Sunday at Treasure Coast Landing; and when he pronounced the benediction, each congregant picked up the chair in which he had been sitting and proceeded to stack it and then pack the entire contents of the church. As we moved all that afternoon, Harriet Byrd as the Chairman of the Trustees managed to inventory and make a pictorial record of every item that was in the church's inventory. Finger foods and sandwiches fed the workers and before 5:00 p.m., the church contents were moved into the new building. The excitement and joy was only exceeded by the pride that this had truly come about with God's never-ending help. This was by no means the end of the Faith Harbor story, only a new beginning.

Life in the new building proceeded with more and more activity. More attendees and higher membership led to more missions and interest groups. Biblical studies took place in addition to the Disciples studies normally done and that first summer, as a whole, the entire Sunday School, took part in a 40 days study of **The Purpose Driven Church** by Rick Warren. While change always brings a few bumps in the road, the new space was so much more ideal for the children, and all agreed that the kitchen facilities were first rate. The sanctuary was not only large enough, but the acoustics were wonderful. Soon the church was in use most nights of the week and busy groups met and

worked and further connected with each other and with the same goal in mind of worshipping God and spreading His Holy word.

Early in 2007, an announcement was made that would have a huge impact on Faith Harbor. Pastor Tom Greener decided that it was time for him to make a move as his own children were preparing to enter high school. In the Methodist tradition, he wanted them settled where they would most likely be able to spend their entire high school years. The vision, that he alone had been able to foresee in the year 2000, had become a vibrant, working, established Methodist church that was playing a major role in the life of the small community at Topsail Island and surrounding areas. Pastor Tom was soon informed that he was moving to a larger church in northern Durham, and the congregants of Faith Harbor were told that the bishop had made plans to fill his shoes with a man of great experience and love of our region.

Pastor Jesse Staton preached his first sermon at the worship service on the first Sunday of June, 2007. He brought new ideas to the Faith Harbor table and shared his experiences as a life-long Methodist with the ever-growing congregation. Within weeks, he and “Ten Brave Christians” and a multitude of other groups were meeting and praying and planning together to continue the good work for which this church is known.

Faith Harbor as a church continues to flourish, grow, bond, and to worship the Lord. The families that started ten years ago together, working toward a common goal, have increased in number and in ideas. The children are ten years older, but still the lifeblood of the church; and this church has been the village that has helped oversee their growth. The recent economic woes have hit Pender County as they have every other place, but the spirit has not been dampened and the future of this thriving, bonded group

looks bright on this its tenth anniversary. New people, new ideas, new work projects, and, yet the same vision and desire to worship together, continue to guide this church. May God continue to bless Faith Harbor and its supporters.

CHARTER MEMBERS FAITH HARBOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Erickson, Melissa	6/11/2000
Frazier, Dawn	6/11/2000
Greener, Karen	6/11/2000
Guine, Jovce	6/11/2000
Greener, Charlene	7/9/2000
Greener, William	7/9/2000
Mewborn, Doug	7/9/2000
Mewborn, Sherry	7/9/2000
Modlin, Becki	7/9/2000
Modlin, Larry	7/9/2000
Grubbs, Geor!!e	7/23/2000
Dail, Currie (Bud)	8/27/2000
Dail, Martha (Marty)	8/27/2000
Davis, Doris	8/27/2000
Davis, Mike	8/27/2000
Ayers, Gai	9/9/2000
Gardner, Dave	10/8/2000
Gardner, Vonda	10/8/2000
Strickland, Beckv	11/12/2000
Strickland, Herman	11/12/2000
Scott, Mike	4/8/2001
Scott, Sally	4/8/2001
Bizzell, Leigh	4/29/2001
Bizzell, Todd	4/29/2001
Holland, H.H. (Tom)	4/29/2001
Justice, Carole	4/29/2001
Justice, Jim	4/29/2001
Avers, David	6/17/2001
Ace, Gail E.	8/19/2001
Ace, James W. (Jim)	8/19/2001
Bradford, Tom	8/19/2001
Erickson, Scott	8/19/2001
Jarrell, Charles	8/19/2001
Jarrell, Sylvia	8/19/2001
Olson, Jeff	8/19/2001
Paliotti, Donna	8/19/2001
Shade, Rachel	8/19/2001
Wrenn, Maxine	8/19/2001
Wrenn, Wallace (Wally)	8/19/2001
Cutler, Angela F.	11/25/2001
Cutler, Stephen T.	11/25/2001
Martin, Karen W.	11/25/2001
Medlin, Cathy	11/25/2001
Medlin, Douglas	11/25/2001

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Moore, Van E.	11/25/2001
Smith, Johnsie	11/25/2001
Tovvnsend, Joanne	11/25/2001
Valiante, Leo	11/25/2001
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Sandberg, Laurie	11/25/2001
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Nicholson, Doug	1/13/2002
Nicholson, Jean	1/13/2002
Ball, Bill	2/24/2002
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Starr, Barbara	2/24/2002
Martin, Billy	3/10/2002
Ryan, John	3/10/2002
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Wilmer, Charlotte	3/10/2002
Byrd, Harriet O.	4/28/2002
Grubbs, Judy	6/30/2002
Guv, Sabrina	6/30/2002
Morrison, Carolyn	6/30/2002
Morrison Jr., Fred	6/30/2002
Smith, Jeffiey	6/30/2002
Smith, Kent	6/30/2002
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Balasko, Janet	9/15/2002
Sholes, Geonze	9/15/2002
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Lytton, Eunice	10/27/2002
McKee, Harold D. (Mick)	10/27/2002
Medlin, Alexis	10/27/2002
Johnson, Maura	11/24/2002
Platts, Jimmy	11/24/2002
Platts, Virginia	11/24/2002
Rice, D. Colin	11/24/2002
Rice, Harriet F.	11/24/2002
Shwanke, Judy	11/24/2002
Edwards, Bill	2/9/2003
Feige, Patricia D. (Patty)	2/9/2003
Feige, William C. (Bill)	2/9/2003

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King, Laura	2/9/2003
Padgett, Glenda Blackmon	2/9/2003
Gurley, Mollie	4/27/2003
Hummel, Ann	4/27/2003
Johnston, Agnes	4/27/2003
Schilling, Barbara	4/27/2003
Schilling, Neil	4/27/2003
Stephenson, Judy	4/27/2003
Stephenson, Rick	4/27/2003

THE FIRST PASTOR



Reverend Tom Greener

In the beginning...2000

Faith Harbor United Methodist Church began 88 members strong holding its first service on May 21, 2000



Growing Together

Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus.

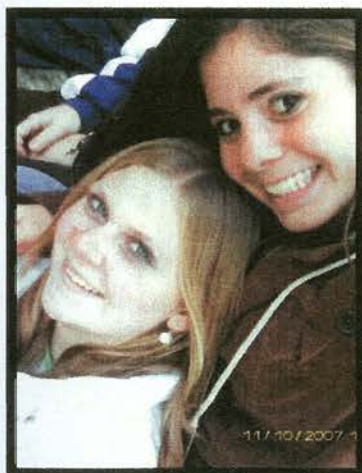
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And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy.

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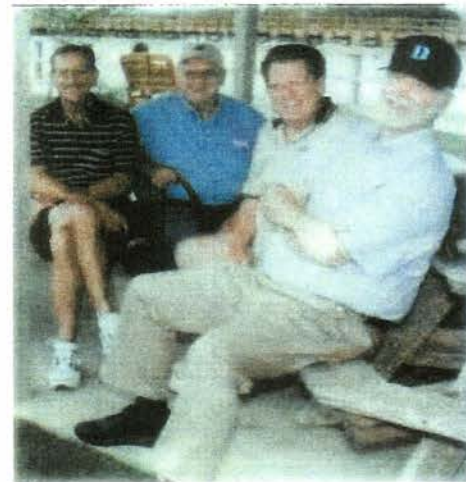
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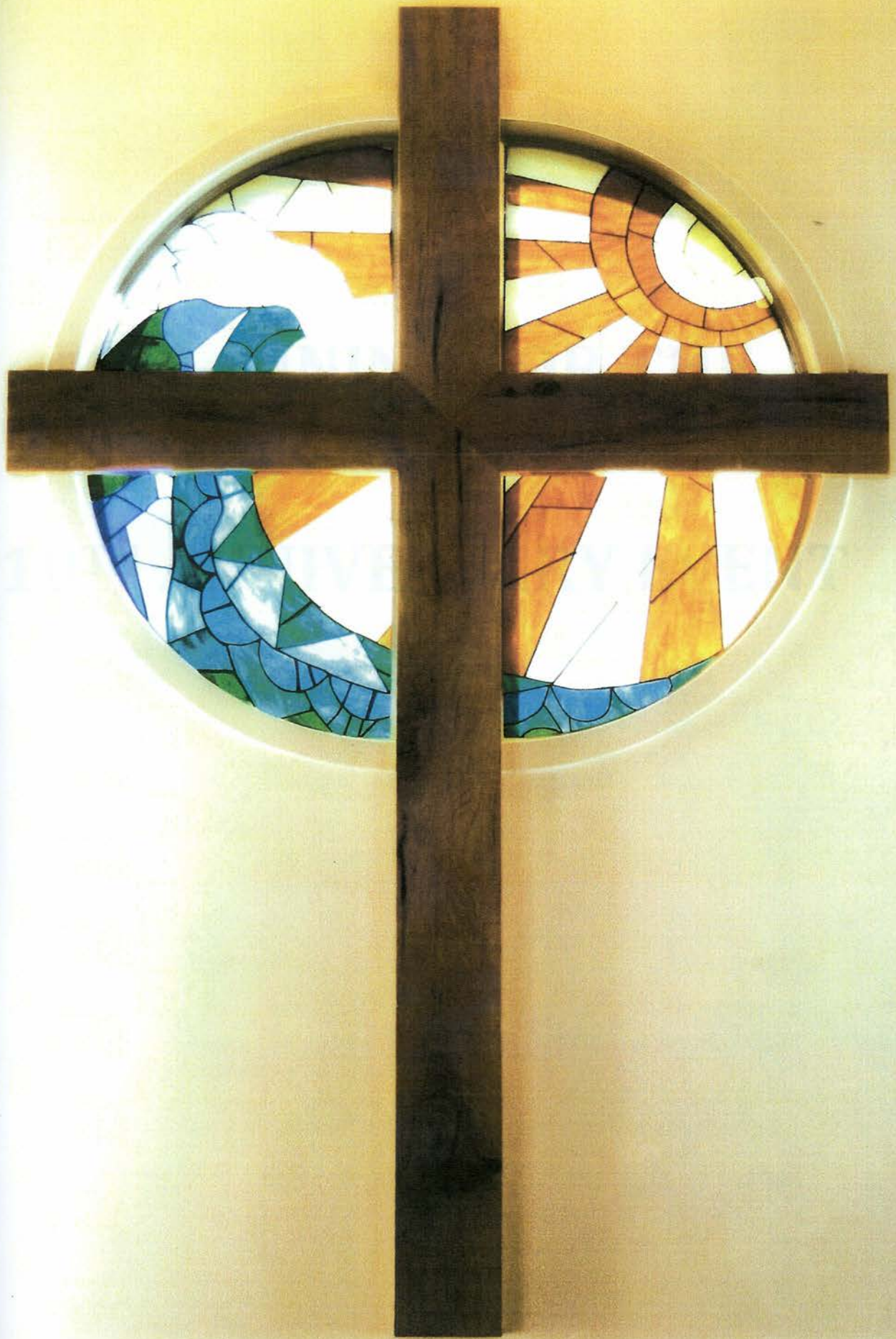
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SUBJ: 10th Anniversary Celebration
REF: (a) Meeting Reverend Staton and Jean Hawley
ENCL: (1) Selected Committees and Schedule of Events

May 16, 2010 will mark the 10th Anniversary of the founding of Faith Harbor United Methodist Church. While May seems a long way off, there is much work to be done in collecting pictorials and gathering historical data pertinent to the formation of the church as well as major activities of various groups and Faith Harbor congregants over the past ten years.

My acceptance to serve as the Event Coordinator is predicated upon knowing that each and everyone of you are also committed to Faith Harbor and will be willing to accept Committee responsibility to assist in bringing to fruition a grand celebratory event.

Pursuant to reference (a) I submitted enclosure (1) which Reverend Jesse and I believe to be a definitive document that will facilitate our work and meet the time lines and begin the celebration services immediately following the Easter Holiday.

In the meantime, we ask that each designated Committee, the FHUM leadership, and FHUM Men/Women/Youth Groups search through your materials for information that may be helpful to the Archival Committee.

The first organizational meeting will be held on January 7th , 7pm at FHUM. Please make every effort to attend so we can discuss and refine enclosure (1).

With every good wish for a great New Year.

Sincerely

Jean Hawley

FAITH HARBOR
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
10TH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

EVENT COORDINATOR

Jean Hawley

COMMITTEES:

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| I. Church History | Bill Moore, Mary Meese, Jim Vaughn
Sherry Mewborn |
| II. Invitations | Barbara Starr and Johnsie Smith |
| III. Media | Teri Ragan and Jim Ellis |
| IV. May 16 th Program | Lois Snyder, Thud Gandy, and
Martha Vaughn |
| V. Pictorial History | Dawn Ellis, Faye Strickland, Sally
Scott and Harriet Rice |
| VI. Choir Music | Maura Johnson, Anita Phillips,
and Jim Justice |
| VII. Archival Committee | Marion Shade, Ray Blackburn,
Sandy Taylor, Mike Scott
and Sue Smith |

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Sunday Service	Wesley's Covenant	1/3/10
Committees Meet	7pm	1/7/10
Family Night Supper	5:30pm	1/10/10
Committees Meet	11:30am	2/07/10
Committees Meet	11:30am	3/14/10
Rev. Jesse	Sunday Service	4/04/10
Easter Brunch		
Rev. Jesse	Sunday Service	4/11/10
UM Men	First two years history	
Rev. Jesse	Sunday Service	4/18/10
UM Youth	The 3rd and 4th years history	
Rev. Jesse	Sunday Service	4/25/10
UM Women	The 5th and 6th years history	

Rev. Greener Sunday Service 5/02/10

First Minister

FH Choir The 7th and 8th years history

Rev. Jesse Sunday Service 5/09/10

FH Children The 9th and 10th years history

Bishop Gwinn Sunday Service 5/16/10

Celebration Luncheon

(catered)

SURF CITY COMMUNITY CENTER 12:15pm

FAITH HARBOR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT PLANNING TEAM

JANUARY 7, 2010

AGENDA

WELCOME.....Jean Hawley

INVOCATION.....Rev. Jesse

EVENT PROCESS.....Jean Hawley

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