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Hearts and Hands

Is your heart right, as my heart is toward your heart?...
if it is, give me your hand." *II Kings 10:15 NKJV*

Hearts and Hands – March 10, 2010

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**** New Warehouse Hours for Raleigh District Warehouse ****

Due to the decrease in the donations received at our staging center in Raleigh, effective immediately we will be open on Saturdays from 10-2 only. Please note that we have changed the hours of our Saturday operation.

As before, if you have donations to be delivered but are unable to come on Saturday from 10-2, please email Jo Elaine Harris joelaine@nccumc.org to make alternative arrangements.
Thanks!

Race of Grace Weekend Joins "Change the World"

As you have no doubt read, all United Methodist churches are being

encouraged to join the United Methodist Service Weekend called "Change the World." Churches are asked to do service projects and to raise awareness and funds to help increase awareness of missional needs.

The designed weekend, April 24-25, coincides with our 7th annual three-day Race of Grace Weekend; therefore, we have signed up the Raleigh District to be part of this Change the World event. Hopefully, you are all encouraging your churches to get involved in our Weekend events by raising money and soliciting participation.

For more information on our Weekend, to sign up for any of the three events, to donate money, or to learn more about our recipient agencies, go to www.raceofgrace.org. For Facebook people, look us up and then sign up a friend! We are listed as Race of Grace.

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The Central Conference Pension Initiative

The Raleigh District is planning two meetings to present the Central Conference Pension Initiative to our clergy and laity.

- Monday evening, April 5, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. @ Louisburg UMC
- Sunday afternoon, April 11, 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. @ Hayes Barton UMC

Please plan to attend one of these important information sessions. *More information will be forthcoming.*

**You are invited to join the congregation of
St. Mark's United Methodist Church
as we welcome
Rev. Vernon Tyson
in a discussion of**

"Blood Done Sign My Name."

**Sunday, March 14th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
in the Saint Mark's UMC Sanctuary
4801 Six Forks Road, Raleigh, NC 27609
(919) 787-0544 x 10 / www.stmarksraleigh.org**

District Youth Half-Price Hockey Night – April 8

Hey folks – We have partnered with the Carolina Hurricanes to secure half price tickets for the last home game of the season, Thursday, April 8. Spread the word about this great event. **Each church has to register as a group through Rob Phillips at White Plains UMC.** There is no minimum size for a group - just fill out the flyer and make your payment to the Carolina Hurricanes by check or credit card. Go to <http://raleighyouth.nccumc.net/> to download flyer.

Full payment is due for your group by March 30. On March 31 we will order tickets for whatever groups we have signed up. Your church will sit together and we will all try to be close to each other.

We will meet in the parking lot of the RBC center (I'll be in touch about the exact location) to tailgate and fellowship together starting at 5PM. We will have several large grills to cook out hot dogs and burgers - anything else you need for your group like sides or sodas - you need to provide yourself.

You can choose which tickets you want to order – there is no minimum – wherever 2 or 3 are gathered... If you do have a larger group remember you get two free tickets for every twenty that you order.

Our White Plains UMC group is going to choose the \$20 tickets just because I think that will draw the most youth – but if you want the more expensive tickets that's up to you and your group – you can bring the filet mignon to the tailgate party!

For more information email Rob Phillips youth@wpumc.org

“Churches – please forward the contact information of your staff or volunteers who work with youth to Raleigh District Youth Coordinator Rob Phillips at youth@wpumc.org “

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**Spiritual Formation Retreat - The Body Broken
Answering God's Call to Love One Another
Led by Robert Benson
March 26 – 28, 2010
White Plains United Methodist Church, Cary, NC**

Robert Benson is an author, retreat leader, and lecturer who brings to life possibilities for living a more contemplative life in the modern world. For this retreat Robert will be drawing from one of his books about which he writes: "*The Body Broken: Answering God's Call to Love One Another* began as a question: How can we in the Church possibly be Christ in the world when we cannot even be Christ to one another? To be honest, it was written out of a broken heart, and it is meant as a call to and for the Church to recognize our own brokenness and to work for community in the world – beginning with ourselves."

Friday, March 26 6:30 p.m. Registration in the Sanctuary lobby. The evening session begins at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 27 8:45 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch provided. The evening session will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 28 Robert Benson will preach at 8:20 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and at 9:45 a.m. in the CLC. Lunch will be provided for participants after which there will be a closing session. **Child care** will be provided.

Registration : \$20—checks can be made out to WPUMC. **Registration forms** are available on the **WPUMC website** or by calling the **church office at 467-9394**. For further information call Lee Heathcoat at 467-4278. **Registration deadline is March 23, 2010.**

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