

# Jubilate Deo

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## Lambeth Notes

## Bishop Lawrence Communicates with the Diocese During the Lambeth Conference



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*Bishops process: Front row, from left, Jack Iker (Fort Worth), Mark Lawrence (South Carolina); Second row: Ken Good, (the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe, of the Church of Ireland) and William Love, (Albany).*

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following text is excerpted from notes Bishop Lawrence sent to clergy during the Lambeth Conference. This paper went to press prior to the conference's conclusion. Please visit [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org) for current commentary.

July 20, 2008

**D**ear fellow clergy and members of the Diocese of South Carolina, The significant experiences for such a recently consecrated bishop as I, come so fast and feverishly it is hard to keep up with it all—but between my bishop's journal where I record daily events, and my personal journal reserved for deeper matters of the soul I'll be able to revisit much of this latter. I've met so many possible links

that may provide missional relationships for the Diocese of South Carolina that my mind is running along lines of mission, strategy, and theological alignments that I believe will be mutually beneficial to our diocese and parishes and for dioceses in every direction out from South Carolina—Ireland, England, New Zealand, India, North Africa, Southeast Asia, South America, West Africa, East Africa, et al. Some of these bishops bear names you may well recognize and others are humble godly servants of God who have

faced incredible challenges and have kept the faith in the midst of astonishing hardship. It heartens the soul to walk with them from one venue to another, to worship alongside them, study the scriptures with them, or share a meal in the cafeteria with them.

This morning was the 10th Sunday after Pentecost. The bishops in convocation robes processed to the Choir while the spouses of the bishops along with various dignitaries—former Archbishop Carey to name one—filled much of the Cathedral nave. As we came through the Great West Door of the Canterbury Cathedral two by two, Bishop Jack Iker with whom I was paired whispered to me something to the effect—"You won't enter through these doors very often." It hardly needed a response from me. I trembled for a moment. Certainly not everything in the service was to my liking—and some of it more than a little disturbing. But I've moved beyond that for now. What lingers is the processing, seeing my wife Allison in the congregation as I processed in, going forward to receive the sacrament for resoluteness of will, and the gospel procession with the Melanesian Brothers and Sisters dressed in tribal garb dancing from the High Altar to the Compass Rose carrying the gold Gospel Book in a coracle or little boat. All I could think of was the joy that came to aboriginal people as the gospel set them free from ancient fears and now carrying the Holy Scripture as if they were carrying Jesus as their Chief and King. That is, of course, what the gospel did for the early Celts, Picts, Anglo-Saxons and even Vikings on these Isles, and

a thousand other tribes, tongues and nations elsewhere. The gospel always needs to be inculturated into every society and every society needs to be evangelized and transformed by gospel—including ours. (*Read the full text of this day's notes on the diocesan website.*)

July 22, 2008

**W**e finished today's sessions (Tuesday) by hearing Cardinal Ivan Dias, Prefect of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples at the Vatican at the Plenary Session. Frankly, both Allison and I thought it was the clearest and boldest proclamation of the Gospel we have heard thus far at the Conference.

For now I'll leave it to others to talk about the Indaba process that we are experiencing here at Lambeth. I'm trying to be patient with it as it unfolds, but to say there is more than a little unrest from all corners would hardly be an overstatement.

There was a gathering of over a hundred bishops this afternoon from diverse provinces—TEC, U.K., New Zealand, Australia, Sudan, to name a few who gathered with some of the Primates of the Global South. Bishops from Common Cause and Communion Partners were present. I found it quite encouraging. Most of you know that I have strong convictions regarding the need for a Covenant to guide our common life as Anglicans and many of us are here, not least, because the Archbishop has said that Lambeth is about the Windsor Process and the Covenant. I have not,

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## The Very Reverend William N. McKeachie, Dean of South Carolina, to Retire

**F**ollowing Bishop Mark Lawrence's consecration in January, Dean William McKeachie requested that the Bishop work closely with the Cathedral to develop a schedule for the Dean's long-delayed sabbatical, as well as his transition to retirement, originally envisaged to take place within eighteen months of Bishop Salmon's own retirement.

The Diocese provides periods of sabbatical leave for every seven years of clergy service. In the fourteen years of Dean McKeachie's tenure, due, in part, to various diocesan developments in relation to the Episcopal Church since 2003, the Dean chose to postpone any leave of absence until our new Bishop assumed office. He has now scheduled his sabbatical for the last three months of this year and the first three of 2009 to ensure as seamless a transition as possible to the call of his successor.

Bishop Lawrence has enthusiastically agreed to work with



the Cathedral in seeking God's vision for its role during his episcopate as well as in identifying the most vocationally qualified person to become Sixth Dean of South Carolina.

There are three criteria for the Cathedral's on-going ministry during the Dean's transition to emeritus status:

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## Need Church Software? Diocese Offers Shelby Multi-Site Link; Outstanding Software at a Fraction of the Cost

Workshop August 20, St. Paul's, Summerville

**C**ome to our Shelby Multi-site workshop on August 20, 2008, from 10:30

a.m. until 2:30 p.m. to learn how you can tap into outstanding software through the diocese at a fraction of the total cost of new software and hardware.

The workshop will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Doar Hall, 316 W. Carolina Avenue in Summerville.

There will be a boxed lunch provided. There is no charge, however, in order to have an accurate count of attendance, you must pre-register. To register visit the diocesan website [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org)

or simply call LaQuetta Jones and give her the information. (843) 722-4075.



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**Our Diocesan Purpose Statement: To respond to the Great Commission by so presenting Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit that all may come to know Him as Savior and follow Him as Lord in the fellowship of His Church.**



## Bishop Lawrence Reflects on Lambeth

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in the least, weakened in my resolve or commitment to that—or to helping shape an Anglicanism sufficient for the Twenty-first Century. But I need to tell you there is far more to this conference than what we might call the North American problem, (which, you may remember, I believe has revealed the Achilles heel of the Communion). Nevertheless, I cannot possibly convey to you in this short report the incredible witness to Jesus Christ and the gospel that is made on a daily basis in our small group Bible studies and the Indaba sessions by bishops from various parts of Africa, North and South India, South America and elsewhere. The need to partner with these people for the spreading of Christ’s Kingdom, the alleviation of suffering and deprivation, and for mutual prayer and support grows in me on a daily basis.

This afternoon during the *Self-select Session* I attended the unit on Human Sexuality and the Witness of Scripture. I wanted to engage the listening process and see if there was anything new in the debate. I’ve lived with this issue of homosexuality and the church since my years in seminary back in the late 1970s. It is something circumstances seem to have continually thrust me into during my thirty years of ordained ministry in the church. Still I thought, “Let’s see if there’s anything new.” But when I saw a format at work which I would describe as the Hegelian process—thesis, anti-thesis, synthesis—I was compelled to name what I perceived as a strained “set up.” That is, the session began with a cursory painting with an overly broad brush of the Anglican approach to Scripture during the Reformation era. Why this need to subtly undermine the place of Holy Scripture in our tradition? Frankly this made me impatient quite quickly. Cursory descriptions of Sola Scriptura; Puritans; Scripture, Tradition & Reason; what’s Anglican and not Anglican, (you know the gig as well as I). “My goodness,” I thought, “aren’t we bishops in the Church? It is a bit more complicated than this isn’t it?” Well anyway, the session was moderated by one person, and featured Dr. Richard Burrige as the key attraction. (One of the reasons I attended this session among others is that I’ve enjoyed his commentary on John’s Gospel that was sent to us to help prepare for our daily

Bible Study Group). After what, to my mind, was a straw-man-rendition of the Anglican approach to the Bible, the moderator introduced a professor from Kenya who presented a plain reading, “traditional” hermeneutic as a model for interpreting the Bible. This was followed by a pro-gay/lesbian interpretation of certain key texts by a gay man trained, we were told, in the “evangelical tradition” though there wasn’t much I’d say that resembled the hermeneutical tools I learned in seminary under Dr. Peter H. Davids and Prof. Stephen Noll. The “planned contrast” for various reasons didn’t work. After this the moderator had Dr. Burrige address us. Well to make a long story short, the whole thing seemed a bit forced and contrived to me and I said so. To the moderator’s credit, I felt I did get a hearing if not an acknowledgement. So I suppose I’ll go back for the next session tomorrow to once again engage the listening process. Having been converted to Christ in college by reading Soren Kierkegaard, I do believe there are times for an Either-Or. I come by my suspicions of the Hegelian process quite naturally.

Those of us who hold the “orthodox” understanding are working hard in many different venues to respectfully, but forthrightly, engage our brother and sister bishops from around the world, to further the mission of the Christ, and, as we promised in our vows, guard the faith.

Do keep Allison and me in your prayers. There is so much going on here, so much to keep up with, and I hardly need to tell you, it is important. I really do sense I am carrying The Diocese of South Carolina with me into these sessions—whether Bible Study Group, Indaba, meal time conversations, plenary group, or the Self-Select Sessions.

Blessings to you in our Lord Jesus Christ,

+Mark Lawrence  
Bishop of South Carolina

*We intentionally held the paper past deadline to include these few notes. Read the full context of the Bishop’s notes and all of the commentary that came afterward on the diocesan website, [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org).*

EDITOR

*“Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and... rest.”*

## Caregiver’s Retreat at St. Christopher’s, September 20

*By Mary Tutterow, Founder, Healing Farm Ministries*

I am a caregiver. I am a wife, a daughter-in-law, and mother to a busy thirteen-year-old son and a lovely sixteen-year-old daughter with physical and intellectual disabilities. She needs me to be her advocate. She needs me to help people understand what she is saying. She needs me to help bathe and dress her. She needs me to get her from place to place. She needs me to teach her. She needs me to love her – sacrificially and unconditionally.

### You Need a Break

People are forever telling me, “You need a break.” They are right. I do need a break. I need a lot of breaks. If I did not set aside time to be alone with the Lord each day, if I did not schedule time for prayer, worship and fellowship each week, I would have shattered long ago.

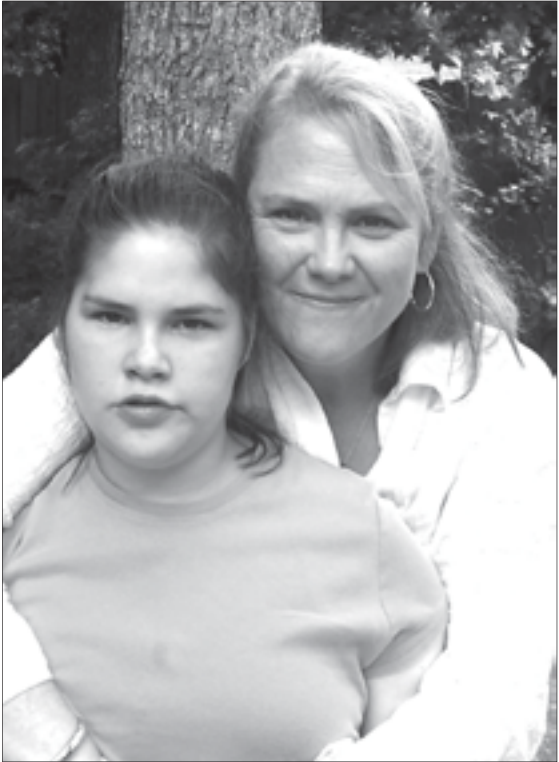
It is interesting, however, that when I invite others to join me and also take a break, I hear, “No, I’m fine,” or I get a long laundry list of how busy they are and how they couldn’t possibly carve out the time. They are taking this child here, volunteering there. A spouse or adult parent is sick, the dog needs shots. A client needs their attention, a dear friend has cancer, and the list goes on.

The fact is we are all caregivers. That is the way God intended it to be. We were meant to live in community – leaning on and loving each other – sacrificially and unconditionally.

### We all Need Breaks

We all need breaks. We need to put it all in His hands and walk away and get some rest. Only then can we clearly see

that He is in control, even when we are not. Only then can we see how much more He loves and sustains those we care for - more than we ever could. Only then, alone and vulnerable to Him, can we admit our weakness, our exhaustion and understand that we have not been asked to do the impossible. He wants to do the impossible through us. He will guide our children through us. He will



*Mary Tutterow, Founder of Healing Farm Ministries with her daughter, Mary Addison.*

love the unlovable through us. He will bring hope to the sick and poor through us.

Come away and spend some time with Him. Rest and be renewed at a Caregiver’s Retreat, sponsored by Healing Farm Ministries Friday, September 19th and Saturday, September 20th at Camp St. Christopher. This year’s theme is Loving Well, featuring video presentations by Beth Moore. The cost for the event is \$95 per person and this includes meals and double-occupancy accommodations. Pre-registration with

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## Dean McKeachie to Retire

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◆ There will be no delay in developing a vision and strategy for the Cathedral Parish’s renewal and growth.

◆ There will be no hiatus in leadership but a seamless transition, directly overseen by Bishop Lawrence.

◆ The Reverend J. Robert Horn, IV, will serve as Senior Pastoral Assistant during the Dean’s sabbatical, with both Dean McKeachie’s retirement and his successor’s induction scheduled to take place around Easter 2009.

In the meantime, following the 45th anniversary in September of the Cathedral’s designation as such, Dean McKeachie’s sabbatical will be largely given to working with Cathedral Archivist Scott Howell in the development, for publication in 2010, of a bicentennial history of the Cathedral’s originating congregation, St. Paul’s, its incorporation of St. Luke’s in 1949, and its designation as

“seat” of the Bishops of South Carolina in 1963.

In reflecting on his tenure in the Diocese, Dean McKeachie has said: “In almost 40 years of ordained ministry, no more gratifying call to service has come my way than that of Dean of South Carolina. I have especially cherished such opportunities as the revival of ministry to seafarers, the enhancement of St. Alban’s Chapel at The Citadel, the Cathedral’s outreach to the cultural community of Charleston particularly through Spoleto events and the College of Charleston, and above all the doctrinal renewal of Anglicanism through our theological conferences since 1997. Nor could there be a more reassuring context in which to retire than that afforded by the vision and servant leadership of Bishop Mark Lawrence. I greatly look forward to the next several months of transition under his active oversight and, indeed, to what lies beyond.”

## Shelby Multi-Link Software Offered

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In addition to the modules shown on page one, this high-quality, comprehensive church-specific software offers the following benefits:

■ Enables the church and the diocese to share the same database of people to eliminate duplicate effort; each church manages its own data.

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*“The diocese has been happily using Shelby Systems since 1999, but when they developed the Multi-Site Link, I was excited about how we could pool our resources and offer high quality church-based software to all our churches at a price they could actually afford. The task force is excited about what this will mean for our diocesan family as we move forward in the implementation.”*

**Nancy Armstrong**  
Diocesan Administrator/Asst. Treasurer



## Diocese Launches E-Newsletter



On June 3, 2008, the Diocese launched a bi-weekly e-newsletter. This new venue will allow communication on a more timely basis. While the e-news is scheduled to be produced bi-weekly, emergency messages can be sent at any time. The e-news includes a letter from the Bishop, clergy news, upcoming events, job openings and other items of interest. "The e-newsletter is absolutely fabulous and so, so needed," says the Rev. Becky Coerper, St. Paul's Church, Summerville.

Visit [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org) and click "e-newsletter" to view past issues or to subscribe. Submission should be sent to [jhunter@dioceseofsc.org](mailto:jhunter@dioceseofsc.org).

### Caregivers Retreat

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a non-refundable deposit of \$50 is required as there is limited space available. Participants may also register for 30 minute therapeutic massage sessions during the course of the retreat for an additional fee. For more information, and to register, go to [www.healingfarm.org](http://www.healingfarm.org) or call 843-971-9300.

## Clergy News Briefs

❖ **The Rev. Shay Gailliard** and his wife, Tara, welcomed Catherine Lynch Gailliard to their family on June 9. Cate weighed 6 lbs, 13 oz. and was 18.5 inches.



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❖ Your prayers are requested for **The Rev. Ron Hiester**, the Assistant Rector at St. John's Church in Florence, and his family. Ron's mother, Mary, died on June 22.

❖ **The Rev. Robert Horn** joins the Cathedral of St. Luke and St. Paul as Senior Pastoral Assistant to the Dean. Robert had been on staff at St. James, James Island, until this past January, at which time he became the

Interim Rector of the Church of our Saviour, John's Island.

❖ Your prayers are requested for the family of **The Rev. Harry E. Lawhon, Jr.**, a priest in the upper diocese, who died June 17, 2008.

❖ **The Rev. Terence Lee**, Rector of St. Paul's in Bennettsville will be joining the staff of St. John's Cathedral in Albuquerque, NM, beginning in August. For the past two years Lee has served as the Chaplain for the Diocesan Daughters of the King. The Rev. Mark Goodman, prior to becoming the Dean of St. John's Cathedral, had served as Rector of Trinity, Myrtle Beach, and was the Dean of the Georgetown Deanery. See story on page 13.

❖ **The Very Reverend William N. McKeachie**, Dean of South Carolina, announced his retirement. "In almost 40 years of ordained ministry, no more



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gratifying call to service has come my way than that of Dean of South Carolina," he says. See story on page one.

❖ **The Rev. Dr. Peter Moore** will join the staff of St. Michael's Church, Charleston, beginning in September. Moore will serve as Associate for Transformational Discipleship. See story on page six.

❖ **The Rev. Dr. David McSwain** is now serving as Vicar of Christ Church, Denmark. See story on page four.

❖ **The Rev. Peter Mitchell** has resigned as Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Charleston. The reasons for his departure stemmed from a divergent view on vision. Mitchell, together with Amy, his wife, and four children will live with family in Virginia as they seek God's direction for their future.

❖ **The Rev. Matthew Walter** is now an Assistant at Prince George Winyah, in Georgetown.

❖ **The Rev. Ken Weldon** is the new Rector of St. John's, Florence. He had previously been serving as the Chaplain at Porter-Gaud.

# Clergy Families Gather at the Beach

*By The Rev. Floyd Finch*

The First Annual Clergy and Family Memorial Day Celebration was a huge success as 144 Diocesan clergy and their families gathered at St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center on Seabrook Island for a day of fun in the sun and shade in the Pavilion. A handful of retirees were there, with lots of active clergy, spouses, children and grandchildren of all sorts and sizes.

Upon arrival we were greeted by Bishop and Mrs. Mark Lawrence and by Susan Burns and Peter Rothermel who had major responsibilities for the gathering.

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*Above, The Rev. Al Zadig enjoys time with his son, Alfred Hudson Zadig. Below, top, from left, Mary Foster Gaillard, Wimberly Zadig and Mims Weldon. Below, middle, from left, Isobel Grace Thurlow, Lily, Ellen (standing) and Andrew O'Dell. Bottom: Group enjoys picnic.*

Clergy families rushed to the beach for the Sand Castle/Art Contest, avoiding the scriptural admonition not to build on sand, but, in spite of it, Father Wey Camp and family won the grand prize.

The cookout menu consisted of hamburgers and hotdogs – yummy – grilled to perfection by Jonathan Meyer, the new Conference Center Director at St. Christopher, ably assisted by Deacons Fred Berkaw, Jr. and Tom Simmonite as they prac-

ticed their Servant Ministry. Assorted covered dish salads – yummy – and desserts – yum yummy – brought by clergy families rounded out the feast, with every space in the Pavilion taken.

After the picnic, all kinds of activities for respective school ages were held, along with nap time for the little ones, jam sessions for musicians, softball, volleyball and bocchi, swimming and walking on the beach.

As the day drew to a close, Bishop Lawrence celebrated Holy Eucharist and preached, and as deacons administered Holy Communion, the Bishop moved to the side and prayed with clergy families who came forward.

The Holy Spirit moved powerfully, and all were blessed. Happiness was old friendships being renewed and new friendships beginning! What a renewal day it was! Next year, be there!



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# The Journey from Mission to Parish

## Holy Apostles' Celebrates Milestone

Bishop Mark Lawrence celebrated the Church of the Holy Apostles' move from mission to parish status, during a special evening service April 27, 2008. The Church, established in 1848, became a parish by the vote of the Diocesan Convention on January

Assisting Bishop Lawrence was The Rev. Chuck Owens from the Church of the Cross, Bluffton, and The Rev. Jerry DuBose, the first rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles. Father DuBose made special recognition of Father Hank Avent, Associate Rector at St. Philip's Church, saying, "Without Hank's leadership in building the new parish hall, the congregation would not have had the confidence to become a parish." Father DuBose also praised Father Chuck Owens for his guidance and his parish's generosity. The day before the celebration, Father DuBose met with The Rev. James Yarsiah, Vicar of St. Andrew's Mission, and the St. Andrew's mission council to encourage them in their journey toward parish status.

Bishop Lawrence will return to Barnwell August 10 to bless the new Holy Apostles' Episcopal School building. The school will open in August with a five-year-old kindergarten and a combined first and second grade class.



PHOTOGRAPH BY BOB WATERS

*Bishop Mark Lawrence blesses the congregation of the Church of the Holy Apostles at the close of the celebration of parish status. The Reverend Chuck Owens and the Reverend Jerry DuBose stand behind the altar; acolyte Adam McCurry kneeling.*

25, 2008. This was Bishop Lawrence's first visit to Barnwell. The Bishop also confirmed six adults and reaffirmed one at the celebration.

## Rector/Vicar Seeking to Enhance Parish Life, Offer Mutual Support

The Rev. Dr. David Williams, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Charleston, and The Rev. Dr. David McSwain, the Vicar of Christ Church, Denmark, feel certain that sharing ideas and resources will mutually benefit their individual parishes. "I feel that it is most important that clergy stay engaged with one another in mutually enhancing conversations about parish life and outreach development," said Dr. Williams. "There are so many good ideas in this world that can contribute to the vibrant lives of our parishes and develop a healthy spiritual life for all of our members. This can encompass

Schenectady, New York, after retiring as Rector of St. George's Church. While still a parishioner and Senior Associate Priest of St. Stephen's, he was installed as Vicar of Christ Church in Denmark. At that service, Williams acted as Master of Ceremony as well as providing the Orders of Service. Along with Dr. Williams, H. Don White, Organist and Choirmaster at St. Stephen's, assisted in providing musical support and solo work as well. Most recently, St. Stephen's and Christ Church have begun a relationship between Rectors in which mutual support and learning can take place between a mission parish such as Christ Church, and St. Stephen's, a church that had a 165-year history as a mission prior to becoming a parish in 2001. "Working in mutually beneficial relationships toward brightening the lives of our parish families is our goal and the goal of many, I'm sure. Put another way, if one of us has developed a better mouse trap, then surely that should be shared by all," said Williams.



*"If one of us has developed a better mouse trap," says The Rev. Dr. David Williams, right, "then surely that should be shared by all." To the left is the Rev. Dr. David McSwain.*

everything from the technology of website development to the art and science of congregational studies." The Rev. Dr. David McSwain, Vicar of Christ Church in Denmark, SC, preached the sermon at St. Stephen's during their regularly scheduled Service of Holy Eucharist on July 13. Dr. McSwain moved to South Carolina from

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## HOW DOES A MISSION BECOME A PARISH?

The technical answer to this question can be found in the Canons of the Diocese of South Carolina (available at [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org)), but Chuck Owens, Rector of Church of the Cross, Bluffton, whose congregation journeyed with Church of the Holy Apostles in their move to Parish status had some reflections to share.

"The Canons say a mission should be self-supporting (to move to parish status), but it's not just about money. As I see it, money is never the major problem. To become a parish, a mission must be able to sustain itself spiritually first, financially second. When Bishop Salmon and I first met with Holy Apostles three years ago, they were content with the status quo. They'd been a mission for about 150 years. It was all they knew, all they expected, so we started a relationship with them. Our people got involved with theirs; theirs got involved with ours. We began having a men's

retreat together and shared many teaching missions. Over time, we helped them see possibilities and catch glimpses of who and what they could be and do. Now they believe they can do anything. Praise the Lord! They're spiritually alive; and with that and God's help, they can sustain themselves financially. When churches are small, they tend to focus on survival, and all they can think about is themselves – they're inwardly focused. But the Scriptures teach that the focus should be on God and others. Now that the folks at Holy Apostles have turned their hearts upside down and inside out, they're going to open an independent Christian school as a way of serving, a way of reaching others with the Good News of God in Christ. When people's hearts are on fire for the Lord, and they're allowing God to work in and through them, what was once thought to be impossible becomes possible!"

**A mission must be able to sustain itself spiritually first, financially second.**

*The Church of the Holy Apostles, organized in 1848 has withstood hurricanes, one of which tore down the bell tower (now replaced), and its use as a stable by Sherman's troops and the subsequent burning of the city. The stained glass behind the altar (given by Governor James Hammond) and the communion silver were buried during the war, in order to keep them hidden. The original congregation included African-American slaves and their families.*

## Photographers Needed

The diocese is currently in the process of redesigning our website. We will need professional quality photographs of parish buildings as well as people worshipping, praying, etc. to populate the site. If you would like to contribute photographs, please contact Joy Hunter at [jhunter@dioceseofsc.org](mailto:jhunter@dioceseofsc.org).



## St. Andrew's Mission Moves Toward Parish Status

Receives New Playground Equipment Thanks to Old St. Andrew's Parish and Church of the Holy Cross

The ECW of Old St. Andrew's donated a total of \$2,150.00 from their "ministry of mission at home and abroad" to assist with the purchase of the new playground equipment for St. Andrew's Mission Church. The Church of the Holy Cross, Sullivan's Island, also donated \$2,000.00 toward this project. The total cost for the playground equipment was \$3,957.93. The remaining funds were used to purchase sand for the playground. The playground and 21 passenger seat bus for the Summer Enrichment program were dedicated on June 15, 2008. "The St. Andrew's Mission Church family extends sincere gratitude to all our donors and partners, for their support toward our ministry in the community," says Vicar, James Yarsiah. In another development, the Summer Enrichment Program at St. Andrew's Mission got off to a terrific start on June 9, with more than twenty-five children from the community enrolled this summer. The program ran through July 25.

In a collaborative effort, the ECW and the EYC of Old St. Andrew's provided funds (more than \$500) to be used to purchase food on a monthly basis, for



*Above, from left to right: Yvette Jenkins, Sr. Warden and ECW President at St. Andrew's Mission; Nancy Pickering, Diocesan Coordinator of UTO; the Rev. James Yarsiah and Betty Graham, St. Andrew's Mission UTO Chairperson.*

the needy in our community, through the Angel Food Ministries at St. Andrew's Mission. St. Andrew's Mission Church is moving closer to becoming a full, independent, self-supporting parish.



# St. John's Mission Receives \$50,000 UTO Grant

By Nancy Pickering  
Diocesan UTO Chair



Congratulations to Janie Wilson and her grant writing committee at St. John's Mission, Charleston, SC. United Thank Offering Grant #8589 – AAFCBD "What are Little Girls Made Of" - Diocese of South Carolina, was approved!

Elizabeth Beach Hacking, the UTO Program Officer in New York, wrote, "On behalf of the UTO, I am happy to write that a full award of \$50,000.00 is approved in response to your grant application to purchase a 25-passenger vehicle equipped with internal/external music system as well as audio/video system to transport young female residents from school in violent and impoverished communities to a place of ministry. (Charleston, SC)."

Over \$2.1 million was given out in grants by the UTO committee this year. Over 200 grants, sent in from throughout the US and around the world, were received and reviewed by the 13 women of the UTO granting committee. Our thanks goes to Zona Tounsley, Province IV UTO Chair, for her help.

How wonderful that Janie and Brother Dallas Wilson and AAFCBD made it through the 2008 grant process. How wonderful that the Diocese of South Carolina has received a United Thank Offering grant, two years in a row! Surely, we can keep this ball rolling!

If your church has a compelling "women and children need" and thinks UTO could help, send me an e-mail, at npicks2@charter.net. The 2009 grant information and applications will be available in October, but don't wait until then to get started!

For a joyful recipe: Keep your 'little blue box' on the kitchen counter. Add a few coins, shake, & feel those blessings and thanksgivings adding up!

## Building for Christ from Generation to Generation Compliments Builders for Christ

By the Rt. Rev. Mark Lawrence

As I begin my episcopacy as your Bishop, I am grateful for the firm foundation of strong, growing congregations on which this Diocese stands. This foundation is the result of the intentional focus of Bishop Salmon on building our congregations during his 18 years of leadership. Looking back I also see that Bishop Salmon was able to build on the ground laid by Fitzsimmons Allison's theological leadership and Gray Temple's leadership through some very difficult times of social transformation. The work of my predecessors gives us an enviable place from which we can move forward; they are gifts bestowed upon us—the multi-generations that make up this diocese today.

It is also a reminder of how important it is to build upon the strengths of the past as well as to build wisely for future generations. During his epis-

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## Holy Cross, Sullivan's Island, Includes Ten-Year-Olds in Mission Trip

By Catherine Warner

This past June, thirteen people connected to Holy Cross Episcopal Church on Sullivan's Island traveled to Tegucigalpa, Honduras to work at the LAMB Institute's new residential home for children in San Buenaventura.

Included in that group, and traveling with their mothers were three ten-year-old girls. Carly Edwards came with her mother, Eve Spratt Edwards; Elliot Lyles with her mother Lori Lyles and Caroline Warner with me.

While there are many reasons to have your children accompany you on a mission trip, our family was looking to build our relationships and to begin training our children to live missionally.



PHOTOGRAPH BY CATHERINE WARNER

From left, ten-year-old South Carolinians Elliot Lyles, Caroline Warner, Carly Edwards, join with Suzy McCall's adopted daughter, Sally, in painting the schoolhouse at Casa Hogar.

From the time we decided to work together on the team, Caroline and I attended group meetings preparing for the trip. Caroline helped with fundraisers to offset costs and to help the

plane crash a few weeks before our arrival, the airport in Tegucigalpa was shut down for investigation. Other arrangements had to be made for travel into town. We flew into San Pedro Sula where

we took a van through the countryside to Tegucigalpa. Travelling 100 miles took over five hours in a van without air conditioning that seated 15. I was pleased at Caroline's adaptability. She chose a seat next to a window that was open and enjoyed the wind in her face for the entire ride!

We stayed at a home known as Erika's House where Erika cooks meals and provides lodging for guests connected to Suzy McCall's ministry. An unexpected blessing was that Erika's ten-year-old daughter, Maria, became fast friends with our three girls. In fact, she was bi-

lingual and accompanied us each day on our trips to work at the residential home, Casa Hogar. Maria helped the girls learn about the culture and life in Honduras. But she also showed them how similar they were. She brought her Nintendo to play with them, gave them her email address and invited them to her room to

orphanage. Her favorite one was the "Adopt-a-Lamb" where stuffed lambs could be either purchased to keep or to send down to one of the orphans at LAMB. She also enjoyed working at the silent auction as well as baking for the bake sale. Elliot and Carly attended meetings as well. Elliot set up a

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PHOTOGRAPH BY CATHERINE WARNER

Ten-year-old Carly Edwards takes a break from mixing cement to relax with Jonny and Suyapa from Casa Hogar, the residential home being built for the orphans at LAMB in San Buenaventura.

play in the evenings. They even watched some of the same shows on television.

Each day we started with devotions and then breakfast. One of Caroline's favorite breakfast meals was beans and rice. Afterward we headed up the mountains to San Buenaventura. The girls were surprised by the poverty. Caroline was amazed at how well the children kept their things organized and how pleasant everyone was despite the hardships they face. The adults worked on building a new cottage for the children to live in as well as painting a school building. The girls pitched in and helped in various capacities. One day they collected stones to line the driveway up to the chapel. Another day they gathered wood to keep on hand for the women in the kitchen to use for the stove to keep water heated. They took shovels and helped to mix concrete. They played and played with the children. Each of the girls found favorites that they wanted to bring home

After touring one of the poorest neighborhoods, Catherine Warner asked her daughter how she felt. "I couldn't believe that people live that way," she said. "It was so terrible."

with them. Caroline became close to a five year old named "Katy." The LAMB children were fascinated by our three light haired girls.

We were amazed at the processes that are used that seem so antiquated. After basic foundations are laid and walls built, the floors of the buildings are dug with shovels. Rebar is laid and tied by hand in grids to prepare for concrete to be poured. Concrete is mixed on site by two or three workers with shovels. One part sand, one part gravel, one part rocks, one part cement, add water until just right and stir repeatedly until ready to set. The paint that was purchased for the schoolhouse was diluted repeatedly in order to cover the schoolhouse with three coats.

Everything that is done at the home is hard and takes time. The clothes for fifty children are washed by hand on a washboard outside and hung on a line to dry. Simple meals are made in a small kitchen. Dishes are washed in cold water and dried. Potable water is brought in on a truck and used sparingly. For everything else, rainwater is collected and used. That includes the outhouses.

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## Questions

to consider before taking a child on a mission trip:

1. How does your child adapt to new situations?
2. Does your child have interest in going to a new culture?
3. Can your child follow directions at all times?
4. Does your child have any health issues that might be exasperated by the stress of a different culture and its foods, climate or atmosphere?
5. What level of discomfort can your child tolerate?





PHOTOGRAPH BY JOY HUNTER

The Rev. Dr. Peter Moore, who’s joining the staff of St. Michael’s Church, Charleston, in September, is a self-described, “religious entrepreneur.”

His resume bears it out. He founded FOCUS, a national ministry to students and faculty in independent schools. He’s one of the founders and served as Dean and President of Trinity School for Ministry. He helped found The Fellows Initiative, a post-graduate Christian leadership development program. He was instrumental in founding The Anglican Relief and Development Fund. The list goes on. “I tend to start things,” he says, “get things going – implement vision. I want to go where the Gospel isn’t presently being fleshed out and establish a beach-head.”

And so... South Carolina?

“The reason I’m in South Carolina,” he said, “is because I was asked. South Carolina has a reputation of being a strong diocese with a missionary heart. It’s committed to youth ministry, solid orthodox faith, grounded in Scripture... There’s a sense of unity which is very attractive and it’s situated in one of the most beautiful areas of the country. “The reason I’m here though is because Al Zadig called and asked if I’d be the Associate for Transformational Discipleship. I wasn’t ready to retire. Coming to a community where I could be part of a parish staff and bring something was very attractive. My wife Sandra also has relatives in the area. There are a lot of Trinity grads here. I’ve preached in a number of churches in the area. All my old counselors and advisors were jealous. They said, ‘Go!’”

As Associate for Transformational Discipleship, Moore will be working in

# Peter Moore

## RELIGIOUS ENTREPRENEUR

By Joy Hunter

the context of the small group ministry, specifically offering a follow-up course to Alpha. It seems a perfect fit for a man who invests himself in relationships. “The thing that brings me the most satisfaction is mentoring younger people in the way of discipleship,” he says. “That’s been the heart and soul of my ministry, finding people I can come alongside and encouraging them in their life in Christ. Organizations are a way to reach people who are often uneasy to reach.”

### Sandra Moore’s Ministry

Peter’s wife, Sandra, has played an important role in ministering alongside him. “I don’t want to downplay Sandra’s role in this,” he says. “In FOCUS, and at Trinity many young women looked to her as a role model. She’s a very important part of the ministry picture. Right now she has an important ministry to women with eating disorders.”

### A Problem for Bishops to Solve

When reflecting on the current situation within the Episcopal Church, Peter admits the situation is bleak. “Clergy are weary,” he says. “They often don’t know any way out. But this problem was

created by bishops and only bishops can solve it. Bishops are supposed to be the guardians of the faith, and they’ve failed to do that. Instead, core doctrines have been undermined by bishops themselves. They know better. We’ve got this fissure between those who will not face the doctrinal problems and those who cannot avoid facing them.”

When asked where encouragement can be found, Moore responds, “We need to focus on Christ as King and Chief Shepherd. He’s still reigning. Bishops are undershepherds. Some are faithful; some are not, but Christ is still the King.”

### Peter Moore, The Author

In addition to his passion for preaching, teaching and discipleship, Moore, a graduate of Yale and Oxford, is the author of several books, booklets and articles including the award-winning *Disarming the Secular Gods: How To Talk So Skeptics Will Listen* (IVP, 1989); *One Lord, One Faith* (Thomas Nelson, 1994); and *A Church To Believe In* (Latimer, 1994). He edited *Can A Bishop Be Wrong? Ten Scholars Challenge John Shelby Spong* (Morehouse, 1998). He contributed a chapter on homosexuality and the Church in *Anglican Essentials* (Anglican Book Centre, 1995) and a chapter on using the Scriptures in mission in *The Anglican Communion and Scripture* (Regnum, 1996).

# 40-Foot Container of Books Sent to Liberia

By The Rev. James T. Yarsiah, Vicar, St. Andrew’s, Charleston

St. Andrew’s Mission, Episcopal Church in Charleston, South Carolina, in collaboration with the Liberian Episcopal Clergy USA (LECUSA) and “Books for Africa,” an American NGO based in Minnesota, have shipped a 40-foot-container of donated books to Liberia. The Episcopal Church of Liberia will receive the container of books. The steamer carrying the container departed the Port of Charleston on May 18, 2008. It arrived at the Freeport of Monrovia on July 7. The library and text books, both new and used, were donated by the Charleston County School District, through the work of the Rev. James T. Yarsiah, Vicar of St. Andrew’s. These books will benefit the Episcopal schools and other institutions in Liberia. The cost of freight for shipping this 40-foot container was \$7,500 and “Books for Africa” underwrote the entire cost of the shipment. The total number of books sent is estimated at over 35,000. The monetary value of the books is more than \$10,000. The Liberian Episcopal Clergy in the USA contributed \$350 to assist with the purchase of materials and to help provide lunch for those who helped to pack the books. Foillet Educational Services, located in Columbia, South Carolina provided materials and manpower to assist with the packing. Fr.

John R. Johnson and some members of Old St. Andrew’s Parish, our sister parish, also assisted with the packing of the books. The Rt. Rev. Jonathan B.B. Hart and the Diocese of Liberia, and Mrs. Juanita Neal, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Church of Liberia expressed their gratitude to all the donors and all those who contributed to the suc-



The total number of books sent is estimated at over 35,000. Above, the books are packed in cartons before being placed in the container.

cess of the project. Mrs. Neal began the process of clearing the books prior to the arrival of the container at the Freeport of Monrovia. It is our hope and prayer that these books will help equip the schools and assist in the development of the minds of the Liberian students.

# 2007 Parochial Report Released

View it online or request a printed copy

The Diocese recently released the 2007 Parochial Report and it can be viewed on the Diocesan website, [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org). The report includes statistics on all churches in the diocese, including individual church’s total revenue, amount pledged to the diocese, total number of members, total number of communicants in good standing and

average Sunday attendance. It also includes number of pledging units. The Parochial Report gives an overview of the state of the diocese in terms of finances and attendance/membership. If you do not have access to the internet, but would like to receive a copy of the report, please call Debbie Barker at (843) 722-4075. She will be happy to mail you a copy.

The report includes statistics on all churches in the diocese.

# Girls on a Mission

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To date, Casa Hogar has been unable to secure running water through the drilling of wells. It is very costly to bring in potable water. On the last day of our time there, we went on a tour of one of the poorest neighborhoods where many of the families who receive help from LAMB live. Our walk through this neighborhood, called Cantera, was troubling for Caroline. In addition to the challenge of climbing the steep hilly incline that the shacks were built on, the poverty was overwhelming. There was filth and trash along the dirt pathways to the homes. Few of the shacks stood straight. Pigs, emaciated dogs and cats, chickens and chicks roamed around in their own excrement. Inside the shacks there would often be one room or two or more rooms divided by blankets strung across the width of the shack. There was no indoor plumbing. Many of the homes we visited simply had a small tabletop stove that plugged into a single outlet. There might be one or two light bulbs hanging overhead. A bed neatly made would run

along a wall with a table on the other wall. When I spoke with Caroline about how she felt after walking through Cantera, she told me, “I couldn’t believe that people live that way. It was so terrible.” Asked what she would miss the most if she had to live like that, she answered, “My books. I would miss reading all my books.” It is truly amazing what God is accomplishing through the LAMB Institute and its related ministries in Tegucigalpa. So many families and children are being impacted physically and spiritually through this one organization. Our family’s goal of starting small by taking one child on a mission trip to build relationships and begin training in missional living were easily satisfied on this trip. We hope to return with our other two children and to continue building relationships both within our family and with those God has called us to serve. It is our prayer that more families will grow stronger and closer by serving in missions, whether locally or globally, together.



# Bishop Lawrence Addresses Nashotah House Graduates

Nashotah HouseTheological Seminary celebrated its 163rd Commencement and conferred 20 earned and 5 honorary degrees on May 22, 2008.

The Rt. Rev. Mark J. Lawrence moved the assembled audience with a stirring Commencement address.

The Class of 2008 included graduates from dioceses as various as Albany, Central Florida, Fort Worth, Louisiana, Quincy, San Joaquin, South Carolina, Tennessee and Western Louisiana, in addition to one student belonging to the Evangelical Free Church. Sixteen of the



graduating seniors received the Masters of Divinity (M.Div.) degree, three received certificates in Anglican Studies; and one received the Master of Theological Studies (M.T.S.) degree.

Honorary degrees were conferred on two Primates of the Anglican Communion, the Most Rev. Drexel Gomez, Archbishop and Metropolitan of the West Indies, and the Most Rev. Benjamin Nzimbi, Archbishop and Primate of the Anglican Church of Kenya. Commencement speaker Bishop Lawrence also received the Doctor of Divinity degree.

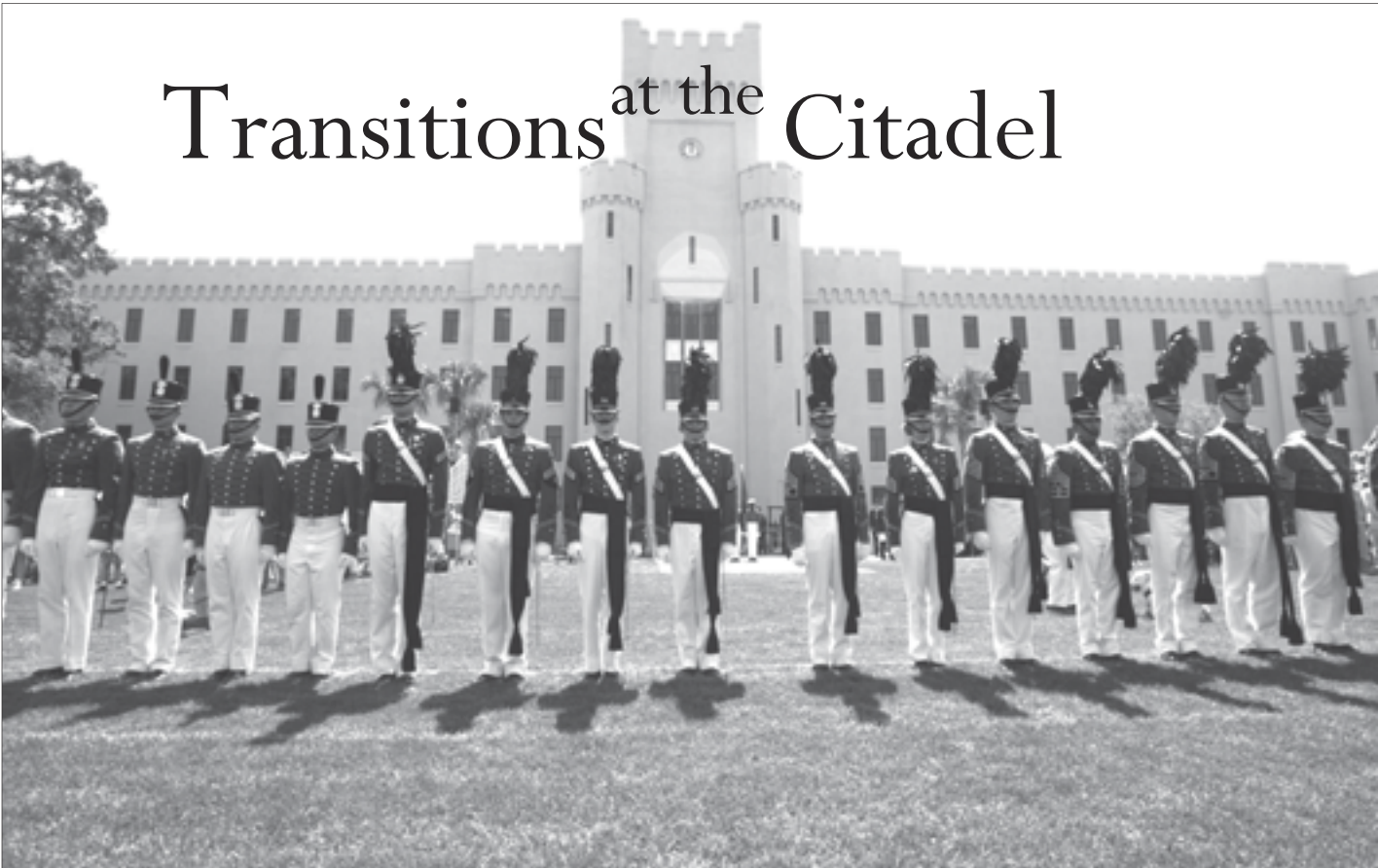
Nashotah House has been training priests and ministers in the Anglican tradition since 1842. Nashotah House remains strong in its commitment to a classical theological education, spiritual formation in the Benedictine tradition, and the proclamation of the Gospel to the world in mission.

## Building for Christ

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copacy Bishop Salmon began the Builder's for Christ initiative. It was focused primarily on structural projects. While not turning from that successful vision for solicited gifts, I am hopeful that we can also compliment this success with new creative ministry ventures as well—especially those that have an international dimension within the world-wide Anglican Communion. This will lay the foundation for our children and grandchildren---the next generation—to become disciples of Christ and to share the good news across boundaries of race, language and nations. As we begin this new season, I am introducing a new name for this effort: **Building**

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By The Right Reverend Mark J. Lawrence

PHOTOGRAPH BY RUSSELL K. PACE

The diocesan ministry at The Citadel is in a time of profound transition. The chaplaincy of The Reverend Doug Peterson at St. Alban's has been a remarkable success story of the last several years. He and his wife Joanne have touched the lives of many young cadets, two of whom are presently in active parish ministry within the diocese. With Doug's retirement at the end of this semester the College Ministry Committee, under the leadership of Mr. Daron Taylor, has established a Citadel Committee to discern where God is now leading the ministry in the future.

## Investing in a Full-Time Episcopal Chaplain

Daron, Doug Peterson, and Dean McKeachie met with me shortly after I arrived and was consecrated as Bishop to apprise me of what had been happening at the St. Alban's Chapel. Subsequently, a Citadel Chaplaincy Committee was established and began to meet. It met first with Fr. Peterson and then began meeting to develop a vision for how the ministry at the Citadel could develop and grow from the strong foundation that had been already laid by Doug among others. It became clear to several of us that if we were to take the Citadel Ministry to the next level, we would need to find the funds to support a full-time chaplain and particularly a chaplain who would see his role as evangelizing the student body, as well as pasturing cadets who were already Episcopalians. The Committee then began to work with that goal in mind. The Reverend Shay Gaillard, committee chairman, and Daron Taylor have continued to keep me informed of developments.

## Deciding Where to Base this Evangelistic Ministry

One of the difficult questions the committee has grappled with is where are the most appropriate parishes at which to base diocesan evangelistic ministry for The Citadel, on the

one hand, and the College of Charleston on the other. While we are aware the Cathedral has been a key player in recent years, giving quite generously of its time and resources to the cadets, especially during "Knob Week" as well as other times throughout the year, we also knew that a congregation with a well-established young adult thrust and style of worship might be a more effective fit for recently evangelized non-Epis-

copalian cadets responsive to the chaplaincy ministry. Therefore, after much prayer and discernment, Shay's Committee, in concert with me as Bishop and with Dean McKeachie, began conversations with the Rector of Holy Cross, Sullivan's Island. We have subsequently sensed God leading us to relocate the parish-base for St. Alban's to Holy Cross for the immediate future.

While there are many details

to be finalized in this transition to a full-time Episcopal chaplain at The Citadel and at St. Alban's we believe it is timely to communicate these developments to the Cathedral, to Holy Cross, Sullivan's Island, and to the diocese as a whole.

# Looking Back

## The Rev. Doug Peterson Reflects on a Six-Year Ministry at the Military College of South Carolina

*On June 24, 2008, I had the privilege of catching up with Doug Peterson. The following recaps our conversation.*

Joy Hunter

**Jubilate Deo:** Doug, when did you start working with the college ministry at the Citadel?

**Doug Peterson:** January, 2002

**Jubilate Deo:** On average, about how many students are involved at one time?

**Doug Peterson:** Golly, that's hard to measure, the involvement was so varied. If you think about the fact that we had only two official offerings, a Monday evening communion service, and a Thursday evening Bible Study, there were anywhere from 20 to 40 present at those. But then during the week, my office, which is also called the "Lounge," was always open. Cadets would drop in. Sometimes there'd be just one, sometimes 15. Over the course of a week, I'd see 50 or 60, or so. At most, I had a hundred on my e-mail list. That included Episcopalian and a few non-Episcopalian cadets involved in ministry. So in terms of percentages, that was not too bad. Because I also taught math, though, I had contact with many more cadets, and I also made a point of connecting with the TAC officers and others in the administration.

**Jubilate Deo:** What's the biggest challenge for Citadel cadets spiritually?

**Doug Peterson:** In some ways it's a very hostile environment to Christianity, even though the college is officially supportive of spiritual values. There are 2000 young adults, many of whom do not actually support Christian thought, values, ideals or beliefs. The emotional and physical challenges of being at

struggle in their lives. Two classic cases were Rob Sturdy and Ian Boyd (of the Class of 2003) who came to The Citadel without any religious faith at all and are now both ordained priests, serving at Trinity, Myrtle Beach. I wouldn't want to tell their story for them, though.



*"For me and for Joanne it was a tremendous blessing to be there, to interact with those young men and young women, to see them through the college experience, to see so many have a lively and vital faith," said Peterson, shown above with Joanne.*

the Citadel are great, and many have the mindset, "We can do it – on our own – our way." On the other hand, those same challenges, in many cases, drive kids to seek God in their lives. They realize they cannot do it on their own. The ministry at St. Alban's was able to help those young men and women in that

**Jubilate Deo:** Did you feel like your ministry with the Cadets made a difference?

**Doug Peterson:** Oh, gosh yes, every year there'd be somebody in difficult circumstances who found support and comfort and an opportunity to grow spiritually by being involved in the St.

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# Nicky and Sila Lee Teach Diocesan Couples to Lead Marriage Courses

By John Sosnowski

The Reverend Nicky Lee and his wife Sila, from Holy Trinity Brompton, London conducted a leaders' conference at St. Michael's Church, in Charleston on Friday, June 27. The Lees are internationally known speakers and also authors of *The Marriage Book*, *The Marriage Preparation Course*, *The Marriage Course* and are nearly finished with their latest book titled *The Parenting Book*. Delegates came from as far away as the Bahamas, Washington State, Vermont, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, and Texas as well as from churches in our diocese. The purpose of the conference was to teach delegates how to begin and maintain these wonderful courses on marriage preparation and enrichment. The Lees are passionate about giving people the tools they need to make their marriages all God intends them to be. This was very evident as they taught about the importance of setting the ambiance for each session, and making the participant couple feel served and catered to, allowing them to have the opportunity to focus totally on each other. They reviewed the purpose and relevance for each of the sessions which include: Building Strong Foundations, The Art of Communication, Resolving Conflict, The Power of Forgiveness, Parents and In-Laws, Good Sex, and Love in Action. All of their teaching is based on the scriptural truth that God intends marriage to be a lifelong blessing to husbands and wives. It is intended to



The Lees covered subjects such as: Building Strong Foundations, The Art of Communication, Resolving Conflict, The Power of Forgiveness, Parents and In-Laws, Good Sex, and Love in Action. Above, Sila Lee chats with the Rev. Al Zadig.

be a reflection of God's sacrificial love for us, and that the more we allow God to take His place at the center of our marriages, the more they will fulfill his intentions for them. Those in attendance left with a good understanding of the value of the courses as well as how to facilitate them in their own churches or homes. There were four couples who gave testimonies to the impact that the *Marriage Course* or the *Marriage Preparation Course* has had on their relationships. As we heard these responses and others referenced by the Lees, it became obvious that God is using this ministry in a powerful way to better prepare couples for marriage, to enrich marriages, and in some cases, to save marriages from the divorces to which they were headed. We are so grateful to the team from St. Michael's and St. Andrew's, Mt. Pleasant, who helped in the promotion and production of this conference. It could not have taken place without them. Anyone interested in getting more information on these courses can contact the website, [www.themarriagecourseusa.org](http://www.themarriagecourseusa.org). You may also e-mail The Rev. Peet Dickinson at [peet@stmichaelschurch.net](mailto:peet@stmichaelschurch.net) to sign up for the next "Marriage Course" scheduled to begin at St. Michael's on September 15. Course materials may be purchased from the Saints Alive Bookstore at 71 Broad Street or by calling 843-725-5483.

## An Interview with The Rev. Doug Peterson *Continued from page 7*

Alban's ministry, both those from church-going and non-church-going backgrounds. St. Alban's is a great missionary opportunity.

**Jubilate Deo:** If you were to advise an incoming priest, say one used to working in a parish, about working with cadets, what would you say?

**Doug Peterson:** It's different from an ordinary parish, of course, in that they're all more or less the same age, 18-22. I think whoever is in that ministry needs to care a lot about young people and to respect them, not

**Jubilate Deo:** Is it difficult for Cadets to be involved in an off-campus church or ministry?

**Doug Peterson:** Well, they're all sleep-deprived, from the knobs through the seniors, so it's difficult to get them up on Sunday morning to go to church—even some of the devout ones. In some ways, too, the Citadel's a prison, a closed community. You can't just say for example, "We're having a church supper on Thursday night, come on." If they haven't asked for permission a week previously, they can't get out. So it's not as easy for them to be involved in

**Jubilate Deo:** What is one of your best memories in working with Cadets?

**Doug Peterson:** Well it's sort of a composite memory of working with smaller groups, from two to five in number, meeting weekly for Bible Study and prayer and just to talk. I would encourage them to be supportive of each other and to hold one another accountable. And I baptized about a half-dozen cadets over the time I was there, as well. It's that composite memory I treasure. For me and for Joanne it was a tremendous blessing to be there, to interact with



PHOTOGRAPH BY RUSSELL K. PACE

to speak down to them, or to be intimidated by the military aspect of things. Love them all, even the bad ones.

**Jubilate Deo:** Do you have a military background?

**Doug Peterson:** No. It took me a little while to figure out the different ranks and all that goes with that.

church activities as if they were students at a "civilian" college.

**Jubilate Deo:** How can we pray for the Cadets?

**Doug Peterson:** Pray for them to have strength to resist the siren calls of the devil and to have the courage to live out their faith in the midst of that challenging environment.

St. Albans – the Cathedral congregation, the cadets, the Citadel alumni, and to so many others devoted to that institution and the ministry of St. Alban's. It was an enormous blessing to be part of that community of the Citadel and St. Alban's people. I have also been able to be part of several weddings. For example, I was asked to be in three Citadel

those young men and young women, to see them through the college experience, to see so many have a lively and vital faith. It's been a privilege to have been a part of that. It was wonderful. I loved it, but it's time to move on. We prayed about that decision, and came to it. I'm grateful also for the support of so many for the ministry of

### A Glance at this Summer's Diocesan Youth Mission Trips

The youth in the Diocese of South Carolina have participated in a number of mission trips recently. Below is a partial listing:

Old St. Andrews, Charleston:  
Hendersonville, NC – Habitat for Humanity



St. Paul's, Summerville; St. Michael's, Charleston;  
Trinity, Pinopolis; Prince George Winyah, Georgetown;  
St. Paul's, Conway; St. James, Charleston;  
All Saints, Florence:  
New Orleans, LA – Operation New Orleans



St. Philip's, Charleston:  
Water Mission International in Honduras  
and St. Louis (Getaway to the Gateway)



St. Andrew's, Mt. Pleasant:  
Local mission work – Weekly Bible studies



St. John's, John's Island and Christ St. Paul's:  
New Orleans, LA – Katrina Relief



Christ St. Pauls, Yorges Island; St. James, Charleston:  
Greenville, SC – Local Mission work

weddings on August 2nd. I'd been asked by an '02 graduate just back from Afghanistan, and '05 graduate, Robbie Kirk, and an '08 graduate. Of course, I could only do one, so I'll be doing Robbie's.

**Jubilate Deo:** So what's next for you?

**Doug Peterson:** Well, I'm waiting for that to become clear. There have been a couple of opportunities presented to me. We're praying about those, trying to

discern what God has in mind for us. Charleston will continue to be our home.

**Jubilate Deo:** Can you tell me one of the greatest lessons you learned so far in the priesthood?

**Doug Peterson:** I've learned that I am a terrible sinner, redeemed by a gracious God.



# Bishop Lawrence Takes a First-hand Look at the Seafarer's Ministry

By Laurie Copley, ChaPSS Director of Communications

It seemed like an ordinary day for Pada, a Filipino seafarer. But when his ship docked at the Wando Welch Terminal in Mt. Pleasant, he received a special blessing...literally.

On Thursday, May 8, ChaPSS Chaplain/Director Len Williams and Board Member the Rev. Mark Cooke took Bishop Mark Lawrence on a tour of the Seafarers' Center, boarded the container ship the CMA CGM Marlin, and visited with Pada and his shipmates. The Bishop offered a prayer and blessing for the crewmembers of the Marlin.

"The Seafarer's Ministry is a most inspiring way of spreading the love of Christ and the good news of the Gospel," says Bishop Lawrence. And that was just what this trio did that Thursday afternoon.



The crew of the CMA CGM Marlin is made up of seafarers from the Philippines and Croatia.

Each year more than 65,000 seafarers from all over the world visit the Charleston Port. Most seafarers come from under-developed countries where wages are low and benefits are scarce. They are often targets of abuse and exploitation. They spend 8 to 12 months at a time at sea, thousands of miles from home, away from their families. It's a terribly lonely existence. Yet a smiling face and a helping hand can make all the difference. When the seafarers visit the Charleston Port, that's just what they receive from ChaPSS volunteers.

## 12 Hours in Port

A ship's port-time is approximately 12 hours and the crew typically has a couple of hours in which to go ashore to phone home, wire funds, shop for needed amenities, and handle any other tasks that need to be done. ChaPSS volunteer teams make ship visits to fellowship with the seafarers, offer prayer support, bring Christian and secular literature, provide free Bibles and devotionals in 30 languages, and provide free transportation to the crew for shopping and other errands. Because some crew members don't have visas or shore passes and can't leave the ships when in port, ChaPSS volunteers will even do shopping for the crew, getting their needed personal supplies.

"Following in the foot steps of St. Paul who preached to the mariners he sailed with on his journey to Rome—caring for both their physical and spiritual needs (Acts 27:21—38), this ministry combines a true Gospel concern for these sailors (and their families)," says Bishop Lawrence. "The sailors who visit the various port terminals of Charleston find a welcome and Christ-centered ministry in this port of call—and through that, many hear the call of the Savior to come to Him who still calms the seas and walks the troublesome waters of this world."

The Charleston Port is the perfect place for folks from all over the world to experience Christian love first-hand. "We have a wonderful opportunity to reach out to those from around the world with the love of Christ," says the Rev. Len Williams. "World missions is right here at our very doorstep."

ChaPSS is able to meet the physical and spiritual needs of the visiting seafarers, through donations and contributions

from their ministry partners. "Because we are fully funded by donor support, we are dependent on the generosity of others to help us reach out to the lonely and forgotten mariners," says Mr. Williams. "It truly makes a difference to these men and women to know that someone cares about them. We are able to make a difference, thanks to our ministry partners." For a seafarer like Pada, it's a huge difference...and a blessing!



From left, Bishop Lawrence, ChaPSS Chaplain/Director, the Rev. Len Williams and Board Member, the Rev. Mark Cooke, visit with a crew member from the CMA CGM Marlin.

## Seafarer's Ministry on Youtube Seafarer's Speakers Available

The Rev. Len Williams would love the opportunity to come and speak with your congregation about the Seafarers' Ministry. To schedule a visit, contact the Rev. Len Williams at 843-224-9631 or e-mail [frlenw@aol.com](mailto:frlenw@aol.com).

If you would like to learn more about becoming a ChaPSS ministry partner, please call or e-mail Mr. Williams and visit our website at [www.chapss.org](http://www.chapss.org).

You can also watch our video on Youtube. Type in Seafarers Ministry Charleston or <http://youtube.com/watch?v=3cFIDQ2XcWQ> which gives a first-hand glance into ChaPSS.

Donations are always needed and appreciated, and can be mailed to ChaPSS, c/o the Cathedral of St. Luke & St. Paul, 126 Coming Street, Charleston SC 29403.

# Volunteers Needed for the African American Family Center for Biblical Dialogue

By The Rev. Dallas Wilson

St. John's Episcopal Chapel's African American Family Center for Biblical Dialogue (AAFBCBD) has begun its effort to recruit volunteers throughout the Diocese. We're looking for professionals in the medical, legal, banking, marketing, social services, religious and other professional fields who have a "heart" and the spiritual fortitude to minister to young inner-city African American children between the ages of 5 and 13, many of whom live in single head-of-house-household environments. We're also interested in retirees who have time to mentor young people in various disciplines.

We're also looking for church groups with experience in construction who are willing to assist in the completion of the second floor. Our goal is to find assistance in dry-walling, electrical, plumbing etc., so we can complete this facility in "record" time, for minimal costs and begin ministering to these young people, and their "very young" parents and grandparents, in September 2008.

Thus far, the Board of Direc-

tors and our Executive Director are excited about the enthusiastic participation of and the financial resources given by the churches throughout the Diocese of South Carolina.

## Thankfulness

We want to extend a deep "Thank You" to the Episcopal Church Women (ECW). As their 2007-2008 project recipients, St. John Episcopal Chapel and the AAFBCBD, have been awarded \$11,000 to further our efforts for true ministry on the Eastside of Charleston.

## The Pink Bus

Also, look for the debut of our "pink bus" that the United Thank Offering allowed us to purchase through a \$50,000 grant award. The 25-passenger bus, for the "What Are Little Girls Made Of?" ministry will provide safe and fun transportation from school for girls age 5 - 13 to the AAFBCBD. It will also be used for various trips and educational and social events. We want to extend a deep and abiding "Thank You" to the UTO. We are looking forward

to what our "pink bus" offers the little girls in the eastside community.

## A Prayer Circle

Presently, we're forming a prayer circle of eight Christian women. This prayer circle is called "Anna's Prayer Circle." Its specific purpose is to pray and intercede for our efforts in ministry and to intercede for those on the Eastside of Charleston. The Lord said to us that we must first pray and find out the mind of God for the ministry on the Eastside (2 Chronicles 7:14).

This is a serious group of prayer warriors and intercessors who are earnest about the ministry of St. John's Episcopal Chapel and the AAFBCBD. We're asking all churches and prayer teams to keep us on your prayer list as we embark on this journey to the Glory of God.

Keep this promise in mind, once the center is completed it will serve as a training facility for those within society who currently are without the tools both spiritual and social, to compete in our society and as a home missions training site for those within the Diocese that

## St. John's Episcopal Chapel Kicks Off Recruitment Campaign

want to do "Jerusalem" Ministry - ministry within the immediate vicinity of their churches. I will come anywhere at anytime to train anyone who wants to fulfill the mandate of Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

## Donations Needed

All gifts are handled by Nancy Armstrong of the Diocesan Office and should be mailed to: St. John's Episcopal Chapel, PO Box 21382, Charleston, SC 29413, Attn: Lynda "Frenchie" Richards, Chairperson

Please email [vicarstjohns@bellsouth.net](mailto:vicarstjohns@bellsouth.net) for a volunteer application and any additional information about St. John's Episcopal Chapel.

## Building for Christ

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**for Christ---From Generation to Generation.** From adding a new youth room for a congregation to enabling a church to enter into a dynamic relationship of missional exchange with a province of Africa, South America or Asia, we are extending the Kingdom. With your participation, we can help not only lively congregations to enter into the next generation of ministry, but also the Diocese to engage more fully in a global ministry within the Anglican Communion. Through your participation in Building for Christ---From Generation to Generation, you are serving our Lord and enabling us to fulfill His mission for our Diocese.

I am asking each member of the Diocese to share \$50 out of what the Lord has provided in order to further the ministry opportunities of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Like St. Paul I ask you to become my partner for the gospel through your gift to Building for Christ-From Generation to Generation.

Please send your gift to: Building for Christ, Diocese of SC, P.O. Box 20127, Charleston, SC 29413-0127. You may also contribute on-line at [www.dioceseofsc.org](http://www.dioceseofsc.org).





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## St. James Santee Invites all to September 21 Recovery Sunday Celebration

September is National Recovery Month and in keeping with tradition, a special "Recovery Sunday" service will be held at 10 a.m. September 21 at the Chapel of Ease of the St. James Santee Episcopal Church in McClellanville, SC. "Celebration of Recovery Sunday is a time that the parish sets aside to acknowledge the grace of God by which so many alcoholics, drug addicts and others with addictive diseases have been transformed and restored to health and well-being, and to praise God for their Recovery."

A Holy Eucharist, incorporating the "Twelve Steps" of Alcoholics Anonymous will be celebrated by our guest priest, the Rev. John Zahl who is currently serving Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Mt. Pleasant and Sullivan's Island. "John has a dynamic presence, a warm, winsome personality and a powerful message to deliver. We are thrilled to have this young priest as our guest," said Ballard Lesemann, vestryman.



John Zahl will serve as the guest preacher at the service.

The Chapel of Ease of St. James Santee is located in the center of McClellanville on the corner of Oak and Church Streets.



"We are thankful that the Diocese made this valuable knoweldge available to all our congregations," said Trinity's Rector, Hal Fenters. Above, from left, are Trinity members who attended the conference, Lydia Lankford, Phillip Holladay and Phillip Wilson.

## Encouraged and Equipped: Business and Leadership Conference Makes a Difference

By The Rev. Hal Fenters, Rector, Trinity, Pinopolis

Five of us from Trinity, Pinopolis, attended the Business and Leadership Conference at Camp St. Christopher this year (Rector, Treasurer, Director of Music Ministries, Youth Minister and Minister to Family and Children). We were blessed in many ways. It was great to get away for a few days of spiritual refreshment and renewal, to be reminded that we are part of a larger diocesan vision, and to realize that by talking, working, and praying together with our diocesan family we can be more effective in advancing the Kingdom of God.

A few weeks before the conference, we had discerned a new vision for Trinity...that we would aspire to be "a growing congregation of growing

ministers with growing ministries," using small groups (Growth Groups) to help us grow deeper in the knowledge and love of the Lord and also encouraging our small groups to focus more on building re-

Walking into the conference and hearing the great benefits of "Keeping it Simple" by following the biblically-based principles of clarity, movement, alignment, and focus just "clicked" with all five of us, and we left the

conference encouraged and equipped to pursue our vision using these simple principles.

We are thankful that the diocese made this valuable knowledge available to all our congregations. We look forward to bearing fruit

from the knowledge we gained at this conference and to the new insights and blessings we will receive at next year's conference.

Plan to attend next year's  
Business and Leadership  
Conference.  
May 31 - June 2, 2009.

lationships with those outside the Christian faith. Taking this aspiration and turning it into a reality presented us with some new challenges. We realized we needed some help.

## Next Steps Covers South Carolina in September

Ed Dyckman, Chair, Department of Social Ministries

In June, 2008, the Diocesan Council approved the Department of Social Ministries' proposal to deploy 10 "instances," i.e., copies, of the Next Steps database throughout South Carolina. Next Steps is a program, free to all churches and Christ-centered social ministries in South Carolina, linking them through an Internet-based information backbone to break the cycle of poverty throughout the State's inner cities and rural areas. Each instance will cover a cluster of counties within the Episcopal deaneries and convocations of South Carolina as shown in the table, right. Note that within Berkeley County we find Episcopal parishes attached to the West Charleston and Orangeburg Deaneries.

By October, all 10 Next Steps database instances will be accessible through www.southcarolinaministries.org to staff and volunteers associated with churches and Christ-centered social ministries who have successfully completed the three-hour Next Steps database training offered by the Department each month at Agape Ministries of Charleston. One instance is already operating in the Charleston/West Charleston cluster, administered for the Department by The Charleston Expression.

The Department of Social Ministries invites church and Christ-centered social ministry volunteers and employees to receive free training to learn to use Next Steps to: (a) share poverty resources and information online; (b) enhance their poverty ministries' efficiency and effectiveness; and (c) empower the poor in their communities to build bridges out of poverty. Training sessions are

scheduled monthly and space is available on a first-come, first-served basis on Wednesdays August 20, September 24, and October 22, 2008 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Agape Ministries of Charleston (www.socialministries.com/organizations.php?ID=62). To reserve a spot, please contact Mr. Ed Dyckman, Chair, Department of Social ministries at edward.dyckman@att.net or 843-367-5647.

Once a person completes one 3-hour Next Steps training session, s/he will receive a training certificate, user ID, and a password to access the Next Steps training database at www.southcarolinaministries.org and the Next Steps database instance operating in her/his county.

Upcoming Training Dates:  
August 20, September 24, October 22

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*Social Ministry Highlight:*

# Neighbor to Neighbor

By Ed Dyckman, Chair, Department of Social Ministries

I met Harry Campbell, a licensed clinical social worker and member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Conway, and his wife Ann during the Department's May 14, 2008, Next Steps Database training session at Agape Ministries in Charleston. They had had a busy several months as volunteers establishing the Neighbor to Neighbor program at Grace Ministries, Myrtle Beach, SC and were exploring how the Next Steps database might help in that effort. At Harry's request, the Department of Social Ministries provided Grace Ministries with \$750 in "Ministry Money" to inspire people in Horry County to donate their time, talent, and treasure to Grace Ministries and Neighbor to Neighbor.

## GRACE Ministries Helps Individuals Age with Grace

GRACE Ministries (see [www.gracefullyaging.org](http://www.gracefullyaging.org)) derives its name from "Gracefully Aging with Community Encouragement." It is a faith-based organization aimed at creating a duplicable model community that works together



Ann Campbell, left, is shown with Ezzie Gasque. "Being a neighbor has always been 'natural' for me," says Ann, "But being a Neighbor to Neighbor volunteer expands my definition of Neighbor."

with family and friends to ensure that all seniors living in their area may grow old gracefully, with dignity, and live independently, if that is their wish. Grace Ministries supports homebound seniors and their caregivers through personal assessments, care management, advo-



cacy, and education regarding available goods and services. Additionally, they encourage volunteerism and community involvement in the care of the local aging population. Annually, they assist 50 seniors and/or their families, social service agency staff, hospice and hospital staff and the city of Myrtle Beach Police liaison, with information about available services and referrals to appropriate services. Approximately 25 seniors receive care management services, including: home visits, information, assistance accessing social service programs, transportation, and access to donated items like Ensure or incontinent supplies. Some

seniors are loaned donated wheelchairs. Monthly, Grace Ministries assists 10 homebound seniors by delivering Angel Food Ministry food boxes to them.

## Neighbor to Neighbor Helps Seniors Maintain Independence

Neighbor to Neighbor further responds to the needs of an aging population striving to maintain independence in their own homes. It offers non-medical support services to the elderly, disabled adults, and chronically ill persons without fees or eligibility requirements. Referred to as "Carolina Neighbors," Neighbor to Neighbor volunteers provide a variety of services including transportation, respite care, shopping, visitation, minor home repairs, and light housekeeping. The ministry started in just 2008, and already over 30 persons are receiving Neighbor to Neighbor care from 12 volunteers representing several congregations, including St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Conway, First Baptist Church in Conway, St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Little River, and Ocean View Baptist in Myrtle Beach. Harry and Ann are reaching out to others to be part of the coalition, and would welcome your participation and support. Carolina Neighbors are changing the world by putting their faith into action through the services they provide. They are doing this – One person at a time – One visit at a time – One moment at a time.

## Ministry Receives Recognition and Support

Harry Campbell recently wrote saying: "Horry County Council on Aging continues to provide Neighbor to Neighbor office space and other in-kind services. Ray Fontaine is the Executive Director and has been very supportive of bringing this new service on line. We just met with Doris Gleason, Associate State Director of AARP, and she will be helping us recruit volunteers. We will soon travel to Columbia to meet with the Lt. Governor's office as he presents us with an ElderCare grant of \$10,000. This will be used to support operating costs and allow us to expand our services. The Department of Social Ministries' contribution has been very instrumental in getting Neighbor to Neighbor off the ground. We hope to be able to continue our relationship with you and perhaps find ways to improve our volunteer outreach."

Neighbor to Neighbor is a member of the faith-based Faith in Action National Network.



PHOTOGRAPH BY HARRY CAMPBELL  
Many seniors are anxious about not being able to make doctors appointments. Ezzie Gasque, above right, is comforted by the fact that she can count on a Neighbor to Neighbor volunteer.

# True "Neighbor to Neighbor" Stories in Action

By Harry Campbell, LISW-CP

## Daisy

Daisy's life changed dramatically two years ago when her husband of 54 years died. They were lifelong friends who had chosen to live in a very rural area north of Conway, SC. Now, with a physical disability and impaired eyesight, her dream has turned into a nightmare, as she lives alone without any real support. Her husband, who drove her to church and other important places, is gone. The children, who once gave life and activity to the home, now live hours away, with families of their own. Even the neighbors, who once visited and helped in the past, are also aging and are unable to visit and help with chores. Living only with memories is tough.

This is not the dream of her youth, but it's all she has. Moving is not an option she would choose. Her desire is to stay in her home of 43 years as long as she can. There will be a time when she will answer the call to move to one of her children's homes, but not now. With the help of the **Neighbor to Neighbor** volunteer, Daisy can go to her medical appointments and has someone to share her story with. She is secure in the thought that this important part of her life is no longer a problem. She has one less worry and one more opportunity to connect with the world and lessen the loneliness of the long days and nights.

## Julie

Julie is an 83 year old widow who lives alone in her own home. She has no family or friends who can provide transportation to medical appointments. Her progressive weakness and recent lung lesion require additional tests at a local health facility. Relatively new to the area, Julie relies on a "Carolina Neighbor" who visits with her and transports her to her appointments. A cancer survivor for over three years, Julie is thankful for the support and encouragement she receives from **Neighbor to Neighbor** that enables her to stay in her own home and be independent. Without this service she would have difficulty accessing health services. Having access to these appointments keeps her connected to the community.

## Mrs. Bennett

Three weeks ago, Mrs. Bennett lived on her own in California in a comfortable home, with many friends, expecting to remain there for

the rest of her life. Now, this 82-year-old widow has moved to Myrtle Beach to be with her only daughter, who unexpectedly lost her husband. Overwhelmed by the rapid changes, Mrs. Bennett needs help getting around in a new environment, especially to doctors and other appointments. She has lost the support of friends, is providing care for her daughter, and must learn her way around unfamiliar and somewhat frightening circumstances. The task is daunting.

Calling the **Neighbor to Neighbor** office and sharing her story was the first step in managing the effects of her new and sudden life change. Knowing now that someone cares and that she is not alone is making a big difference. Mrs. Bennett has been assured that she will be provided with the needed medical transportation during this transitional period. Major life changes are difficult for all of us, but especially for the elderly who are often uprooted from their comfortable, familiar environment and placed in a totally new world.

## Mollie

The phone call from Mollie revealed the frustration of a 62-year-old widow living five miles north of Conway, SC in a trailer park. Since moving to this rural area, Mollie and her adult son have been struggling to keep medical appointments in their former hometown approximately 25 miles away. In sharing her story, Mollie describes a taxi ride to Conway, a bus ride to her destination and then another cab ride to the doctor's office. Returning after her medical appointment depends on the bus schedule and locating a taxi. Total cost: \$43.

With the help of a "Carolina Neighbor," Mollie can now schedule her monthly appointments without the frustration of her usual adventures. There is no fee for the service and Mollie can contribute to the ministry as she is able. Also, Mollie can visit and share her story about her life and receive encouragement regarding her difficulties. While much of her circumstances will require additional changes, she now has at least one part of her life under control. That will give her some strength for dealing with other areas of her life.

NOTE: Names have been changed and situations altered to protect the confidentiality of those persons served by **Neighbor to Neighbor** volunteers.

For information about the Neighbor to Neighbor program, contact Mr. Harry Campbell at 843-488-0168 or [carolinaneighbor@gmail.com](mailto:carolinaneighbor@gmail.com) or write to: Grace Ministries, PO Box 70155, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572.



# Video Translation of the Gospel of Luke in Q’eqchi’ Completed

“How can I help?” was the question that led to the formation of the I-AM ministry. Scott Pullon, a member of St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Hilton Head wanted to help fellow missionaries in any way he could. He and a friend, experienced pilots, offered their services on a refueling stop in Belize. There they met Christian prison officials who said they wanted to share the gospel with the inmates but they had a problem – the inmates couldn’t read. Scott, with the help of others, grouped gospel video presentations, with printed discussion questions and commentary, packaged them together and then had them all translated into the needed languages.

On June 6, Inter-America Mission, (I-AM), a ministry delivered the first 22 copies of its newly issued “Gospel of Luke Video Bible Study” in the Mayan

language, Q’eqchi’ (pronounced Kekchee ) to Vernacular Media Services (VMS) located on the JAARS (Jungle Aviation and Radio Service) campus in Waxhaw, North Carolina. I-AM has been developing Bible studies, targeting the marginal readers of the world, by modifying existing commercially-made films of the Gospel of John, the Gospel of Luke, and the Book of Acts and packaging each with a series of questions and commentaries for each of the individual chapters. The purpose is to create small group Bible studies utilizing



Pictured from left to right are St. Luke representatives, Mike Znachko, Scott Pullon and Dr. Robert Lerer and the VMS/JAARS production staff, Peter Nash, Dorcas Day, Jim Doll, Rebecca Navratil, Rod Brown and Reenie Brown.

the facilitator format for people who can not read or write. The release of the Luke video study in the Q’eqchi’ language for the Mayan population allows for the Gospel and selected Bible studies to reach many people who live in southern Belize, Guatemala, and northern El Salvador. This ministry of love is the result of the combined efforts I-AM, St. Luke’s Church Missions Committee, who funded the project, Wycliffe Bible Translators, who translated all the written materials and did the dubbing of the movie script, Vina, located in Copan, Guatemala, who did the actual dubbing of the voices, and VMS who was responsible for inserting the editing so the film could be utilized as a Bible study. I-AM, who initiated the project, will do all the publishing and distribution of the packaged study.



PHOTOGRAPH BY SCOTT PULLON

Above, the hotel in San Miguel, Belize, where Scott and the others involved in the project stayed.

American city and surrounding area. Also delivered to VMS were two Book of Acts studies intended for delivery by Wycliffe missionaries to Papua New Guinea.

## Episcopal Relief & Development Healing a hurting world

By Harmon Person,  
Diocesan Representative for ERD

Did you notice Episcopal Relief and Development’s (ERD) new logo and tagline? The red cross and anchor logo, though it served us well since the early 1940’s, has been retired. Rest assured that the mission has not changed. However, ERD felt that the new logo and tagline would better communicate the effective way we carry out that mission. When we care for the sick, feed the hungry, and give aid to the oppressed, we are, indeed, helping to heal a hurting world. At the same time the new logo was unveiled, ERD updated and improved its website. I invite you to explore this new website at [www.erd.org](http://www.erd.org). There is a wealth of information there, and it is easier to access than it was previously.



Because ERD had responded generously to the plight of the victims of other disasters, when the time came to respond to requests for help due to the flooding in the Midwest, ERD’s emergency relief coffers were almost empty.

### ERD EmergencyCoffers Nearly Empty

Much has happened since the last ERD article was written for the *Jubilate Deo*. ERD has responded generously to the plight of the victims of the Myanmar cyclone, the China earthquake, and the tornadoes in the United States. Contacts Episcopal Relief and Development had already established allowed our aid to get through in Asia when many other

aid organizations were being ineffective. When the time came to respond to requests for help from several dioceses due to the flooding in the Midwest in late June, ERD’s emergency relief coffers were almost empty. In this unusual situation, every church in our diocese was asked to give its parishioners the opportunity to help the victims of the floods

by contributing to ERD. We thank those clergy and churches who responded for their compassion and generosity. If you were not given this opportunity to help, consider making a contribution to ERD now. Earmark your check for “Emergency Relief Fund.” Donations should be sent to: ERD, PO Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058. After Hurricane Katrina, we realized that many dioceses were not well-prepared to deal with disasters. ERD took the lead, and we are working with most dioceses in the country to develop a network of emergency response coordi-

## Bishop Urges Churches to Support York Place

On Monday, June 9, the Rev. Michael Hub, Vice-Chairman of the York Place Board, and Sue Griffin, Diocesan ECW President and York Place Board member, accompanied Bishop and Mrs. Mark Lawrence on a trip to see the York Place campus and visit with the children and staff. A special Chapel service and campus luncheon were held in honor of the Lawrence’s visit. A few days following the visit, York Place Chaplain, Scott Fleischer, interviewed Bishop Lawrence:

**Father Scott:** How did your visit to York Place come to be?  
**Bishop Lawrence:** So many clergy and lay persons passionately urged me to visit York Place and to observe this wonderful ministry firsthand.

**Father Scott:** What have you learned about our ministry that you didn’t know before you came?  
**Bishop Lawrence:** The breadth of the need and the depth of Christian discipleship and love that is brought into the children’s lives.

**Father Scott:** Do you consider York Place to be a “kingdom ministry?”  
**Bishop Lawrence:** Yes, it is clearly a “kingdom ministry” of rescue, restoration and discipleship. In Jesus’ words, “As you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.” (Matthew 25: 40)  
**Father Scott:** Would you recommend that your clergy become involved in our

ministry (i.e. visit, volunteer, or support prayerfully and financially)?  
**Bishop Lawrence:** I would recommend that parishes or parish groups such as Brotherhood of St. Andrew, DOK, small house groups, etc., that are looking for a ministry that combines outreach, discipleship and evangelism, look closely and prayerfully at linking with York Place for a ministry that could include or combine volunteer-hands-on ministry, prayer support and financial assistance.

**Father Scott:** Would you like to add any other comments?  
**Bishop Lawrence:** I was profoundly touched by the openness of the children at York Place, for the touch of God in their lives, and the commitment of those who work and minister there to share the love of Jesus Christ with these children.

York Place President, John Shiflet reacting to the Bishop’s visit, stated, “I was most impressed with the special individual attention given to each child by both Bishop Lawrence and Allison. It seemed so obvious the Bishop and Allison have compassionate hearts. I was thrilled they came all the way to York and I look forward to serving with them for many years.”

dinators that link church efforts with other governmental and non-governmental groups to provide for unmet needs after a disaster. I am glad to say that our diocese is part of this network. In an effort to inspire dioceses to think creatively about how they would respond to a disaster, should one strike their diocese, ERD conducted an Emergency Preparedness Plan competition among dioceses to judge just how well prepared they were. We received many entries and recently the winners were announced. A

\$25,000 first place prize was awarded to Lutheran-Episcopal Services in the Diocese of Mississippi. A second place prize of \$10,000 was awarded to the Diocese of East Tennessee, while the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania received the \$5,000 third place prize. Honorable Mentions were awarded to the dioceses of West Texas and Southwestern Virginia. The prizes are made to assist the winning dioceses in implementing their emergency plans.



# Terence Lee to Join Cathedral of St. John in Albuquerque, NM

By Joy Hunter

The Rev. Terence Lee, Rector of St. Paul's in Bennettsville, will join the staff of St. John's Cathedral, in Albuquerque, NM, on August 21. For the past two years Terence has served as Chaplain for the Diocesan Daughters of the King in South Carolina.

"We're very excited about having Terence come and join us," said The Very Rev. Mark Goodman, Dean of the Cathedral. Prior to becoming the Dean of St. John's, Goodman served as the Rector of Trinity, Myrtle Beach and was the Dean of the Georgetown Deanery.

The decision to move to Albuquerque began when Terence served as a guest preacher at the Cathedral in May. "It was a very quick conversation, from beginning to handshake," says Goodman. "He (Terence) said he'd be willing to come and I said, 'I'd love to have you.'"

Terence will serve full-time as the Canon for Pastoral Care. "His main area of responsibility will be pastoral care," said Goodman, "But he has such a great love for and gifts in teaching, he'll be involved in teaching at the Cathedral regularly as well. Terence has also expressed an interest in developing programs to attract the young professionals who are moving into downtown Albuquerque,"

said Goodman. "We're looking forward to that. We recently purchased some property downtown. It's a two-story building. We'll use the second floor for youth activities for the deanery and diocese. The rest will gradually be used for outreach programs like AA, the food pantry and eventually a long term outreach center designed to

help those in need connect with community services. Terence will play a part in that. I know folks in South Carolina will be sad to see Terence leave, but we'll take very good care of him in the meantime!"



Among the many who will miss Terence are the Diocesan Daughters of the King for whom he's served as a Chaplain the past two years. Above, Terence is shown relaxing during a break at the Province IV Summer Assembly at Kanuga.

## WISDOM AND NUMBERS

Did you know that there are 140 households of retired Episcopal clergy in our diocese? The Rev. Floyd

Finch serves as the Chaplain to retired clergy families. He produces a newsletter full of interesting retiree news.

# Worship Leaders Gather with Andy Piercy

By Pam Dickson

May 12 was the fourth "Andy Piercy Workshop/Forum" for local worship leaders. Held at St. James Church on James Island, over

lis, and the common feeling is that Andy is providing a much-needed opportunity for worship leaders to meet for mutual encouragement and interaction among



PHOTOGRAPH BY BEVERLY CURRIN

Andy Piercy evaluates the St. James worship team, shown above.

30 worship leaders and worship teams from the Charleston area attended. After snacks, a welcome and prayer by the rector Arthur Jenkins, and a time of worship led by the St. James worship team, Andy took the podium for another evening of great teaching and encouragement. This time the focus was on "How to make *your* worship team sound its best." Andy used St. James' team as 'guinea pigs.' We were shown how to blend voices and instruments, adding and subtracting elements to enhance the worship experience for our congregations. He gave tips on cohesion, presentation, and enthusiasm.

People have attended these interdenominational workshops from as far away as Bluffton, Beaufort, and Pinopo-

peers. Sharon Harper of St. John's, John's Island, summed it up, "I always look forward to the workshops with Andy Piercy. I come away refreshed and encouraged, and Andy always reminds us to pray for our churches and to love the people. I've also enjoyed the connection with other churches. I've met new people and had a chance to renew old friendships. I found last May's workshop especially helpful and practical for preparing songs for worship. Andy and St. James' team demonstrated the power of good, thoughtful arrangements of songs and how each voice and instrument could be used (or not used at times) to enhance our services. It was interesting, insightful and fun. I plan to attend every workshop."

# Ultimate Leadership: Not Your Typical Leadership Workshop

Diocesan Consultant for Congregational Leadership Urges Leaders to Invest in Workshop

By Elizabeth "Boo" Pennewill

I recently returned from an amazing leadership workshop in San Juan Capistrano, California, called Ultimate Leadership. Dr. John Cloud and Dr. Henry Townsend, authors of *How People Grow* and many other Christian books on leadership and personal growth led the workshop.

An excerpt from the Cloud-Townsend website:

"Experience Ultimate Leadership, a highly effective leadership workshop created for ministry leaders, pastors, Christian business professionals and community leaders. This unique program was developed by Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Townsend to accelerate personal and professional growth. Based on biblical principles of leadership and character development, this one-week intensive has been proven to achieve significant personal revelation and profound shifts in behavior. You will learn new and powerful ways to attain relational and professional success."

My original intention was to experience for myself a workshop that I'd heard so much about (at least six leaders from the Diocese have participated), and, assuming it turned out to be as effective as I'd been told, recommend it to other leaders in the Diocese. (Naturally, God had his own intentions.)

What I experienced was a solid week of exceptional teaching, combined

with serious self-examination, done in the context of professionally facilitated process groups. The excellent daily teachings by Christian psychologists Cloud and Townsend weren't unexpected, but the uniquely structured process for self-examination that followed was. Most leadership workshops and conferences I've attended are highly information based. You get a binder, hear a lecture, take notes and go home. 'Ultimate' is highly relational and process-based. And that's the key to its effectiveness.

One of my favorite authors, Bill Hybels, writes in *Courageous Leadership*, "All of us have experienced wounds, losses, and disappointments in our past. That brokenness has helped shape – or misshape – us into who we are today... Leaders who ignore their interior reality often make unwise decisions that have grave consequences for the people they lead." Ultimate Leadership encourages



"It's been five weeks since I completed 'Ultimate' and I'm regularly in touch with the others in my process group," says Pennewill, shown above with her group.

the exploration of our "interior reality," allowing leaders to focus on personal issues that may be keeping us from being as relationally healthy as we want to be.

## A Profound, Life-Changing Experience

For me, it was a profound, even life-changing experience. I learned things about myself and my relationships with others that I may never have discovered on my own. I am seeing immediate results of the work I did in California, in both my personal and professional spheres. I'm more empathetic, better equipped to truly listen, slower to prob-

lem-solve and a wee bit less compulsive! It's been five weeks since I completed 'Ultimate,' and I'm regularly in touch with the others in my process group. We are seven random Christian leaders from across the country holding each other accountable to continuing the process we began together.

Hybels goes on to ask, "Who is responsible for processing and resolving our interior issues so our churches won't be negatively impacted by our junk? You are." That's the basic premise behind 'Ultimate' – leaders are responsible for dealing with personal issues that, if left unexamined and never addressed, could at best, stunt our spiritual growth, and at worst, wreak havoc in our churches. Think about it – what contributes more to problems in our churches than personal dysfunction?

Ultimate Leadership is not your typical workshop. It's unlike anything else out there. It's not inexpensive, and it's not easy to get to. In fact, there's nothing easy about it. And I highly recommend it.

For more information email Elizabeth Pennewill at pennewill@esite-usa.com or visit [www.cloudtownsend.com](http://www.cloudtownsend.com).

### When is it Next Offered?

- September 21 - 26, 2008
- November 9 - 14, 2008





Above, Representative Chip Limehouse presents a new American flag to some of the residents of Canterbury House. From left to right: Norma Pugh, Marguerite Kennedy (in wheelchair), Mary McKay, Sydney Reddick, Doc Hill, Rep. Chip Limehouse and Peggy Pye.

## Lake Marion Chapter of the Order of St. Luke Chartered

A gathering of about fifty parishioners from The Church of the Epiphany in Eutawville, SC, came together on June 11, 2008, to witness the installation of the latest SC Chapter of The Order Of St. Luke the Physician (OSL). They have been meeting since early 2007.



Above, from left, The Rev. John F. Scott (Chaplain), Lee McVay (Reg.3 Asst. Dir.), Holly Kirby (Convener), Vickie Sheedy, Cora Obrochta and Carolyn Reynolds.

Mr. Lee McVay, newly appointed Assistant Director for Region 3, officiated at the induction of five new Full Members of The Order. The Charter of "The Lake Marion Chapter" was presented to the Chapter Convener, Holly Kirby and The Rev. John F. Scott, Rector at Church of the

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## Harvest Festival: A celebration of Flowers and Music at Grace Church

The Flower Guild of Grace Episcopal Church in Charleston will hold its sixth Harvest Festival October 29-November 2, celebrating the Feast of All Saints with glorious flower arrangements created by award-winning British arranger John Chennell and flower guild members from Grace and other local churches.

Mr. Chennell will give three seminars demonstrating a variety of arrangements and holiday designs. A national demonstrator for Britain's National Association of Flower Arranging Societies since 1976, Mr. Chennell is a gold medal winner at the Chelsea Flower Show and a contributor to *The Flower Arranger* magazine. His Harvest Festival seminars offer a unique opportunity for those who enjoy floral design at all experience levels to learn and share techniques. They will be held:

Wednesday, October 29,  
1:00-3:30 p.m.  
Thursday, October 30,  
5:30-8:00 p.m.  
Friday, October 31,  
9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

The cost for each participant is \$45 for one seminar, \$75 for two and \$110 for all three. Seating is limited and early registrations are encouraged. Registration forms are due by October 22 and are available at the Grace Church office at 115 Wentworth St., or online at <http://gracechurchcharleston.org>. For more information, please contact Carolyn Yarbrough at (843) 884-3592.

Following the seminars, Grace will open its doors to the public to view the floral creations by Mr. Chennell and



by Flower Guild members from Grace Church and other area churches. Past Harvest Festivals have included some 30 unique floral arrangements displayed throughout Grace's historic Gothic-revival building. Visitors also can enjoy music from Grace's organist, Dr. Scott Bennett, and the sound of tower bells rung by St. Dunstan's Guild of Change Ringers. Public hours will be offered Friday afternoon, all day Saturday and from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free.

On All Saints' Sunday, November 2, the Festival will close with a Choral Evensong at 5:00 p.m. featuring Grace's St. Gregory Choir. Everyone is invited to English High Tea after the service in the parish hall.

### Love to Draw? Enjoy Nature?

You are just the person we're looking for! St. Christopher needs an overhead map of our property including trails, buildings, roads, beach, etc. If you have a free weekend, we'll put you up, feed you and provide all that you need to assist us in getting this important task done. If you are qualified and willing contact Jonathan Meyer at 843-768-0429 or [jmeyer@stchristopher.org](mailto:jmeyer@stchristopher.org).



## Daughters of the King Gather at Kanuga

By Vicky Armes, Diocesan DOK President

As always, the Diocesan Daughters of the King were well represented at the Province IV Summer Assembly in late June. The beautiful grounds of Kanuga provided the perfect setting for the inspirational teachings and meditations on Prayer led by our own Diocesan DOK chap-



**First row,** left to right, Elizabeth Davis (Old St. Andrew's), Holly McPherson, Kaitlyn and Sarah Mundy (Trinity, Pinopolis), Augusta Nadol (Old St. Andrew's), and Deanna Bartteet (St. John's, John's Island); **Second row:** Lindy Kirk( Christ St. Paul's), Elizabeth and Kits Jones (Good Shepherd), Peyton Watford(Trinity, Pinopolis), Norma Able (Good Shepherd), Theresa Merchant (St. Helena's), and Laura Fenters (Trinity, Pinopolis) **Third row:** Darla Weir (Old St. Andrew's), Fr. Terence Lee and Vicky Armes (St. Paul's, Bennettsville)

lain, Father Terence Lee. Singing with Frances Tovey (Christ St. Paul's), the musician for the weekend, brought us into the "spirit" for Father Lee's teachings. While over 130 Senior Daughters from Province IV (nine states/20 dioceses) were gathered for the teachings and workshops, Augusta Nadol, our Diocesan Jr. Directress and Province IV Jr. Directress, had over 55 Juniors involved with many spiritually uplifting activities. These Juniors were from Florida, Western North Carolina, and both Dioceses in South Carolina.

Father. Terence celebrated the closing Eucharist on Sunday. This Eucharist was somewhat "bitter sweet" for us as Father Terence announced earlier during the weekend that he had been called to St. John's Cathedral in Albuquerque, NM, and would be leaving in early August. Needless to say, the Diocesan Daughters of the King have truly been blessed to have had Father Terence in our midst for the past two years as he has inspired us to live into our vows daily!

## Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy Adds Staff

In May 2008, Chaplain Eddie Driggers, below, left, joined the staff of the Coastal Crisis Chaplaincy as Staff Chaplain. Rhett Smith, right, joined as the Chaplaincy's new coordinator of Fundraising and Special Projects. Smith is a member of St. Michael's Episcopal Church, and Driggers is a member of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church. There will be a commissioning service for Chaplain Driggers on August 10 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Charleston.



From left, Mary Warner, Judy Rickenbacker, Janice Brady, Lorraine Reynolds, Pat Hilderman, John Scott, Barbara Spearin (in wheelchair), Ellen Childers, Chapter President, and Carolyn Reynolds, Chapter Vice-President.

## Epiphany Daughters of the King Installed

On Sunday, July 13, 2008, six women were admitted into the Epiphany Chapter of Daughters of the King, Church of the Epiphany, Eutawville, SC. The Rev. John Scott conducted the Service of Installation. Worthy of note, this is our chapter's tenth anniversary year, having been chartered June 7, 1998, with eleven members. Our membership now stands at thirty-four.

*Ellen Childers, Chapter President*



# A Change of Lifestyle

By The Rev. Arthur Jenkins, Rector, St. James Church, Charleston

We have come to a time in our country when we must begin to face the fact that we must change our lifestyle. With \$4 gasoline, a weakened dollar and the attendant rising prices of all things transported, we are being forced to admit that we cannot sustain the standard of living to which we've become accustomed without some serious reallocation of resources or a reallocation of our lifestyle.

## What Can Be Cut?

As individuals and as families who are faced with rising expenses, we look first to places where we can cut costs without discomfort. What won't we miss? We could cut the cable TV or our cell phones. We could sell the boat or plan a "staycation" instead of a vacation, but those feel like uncomfortable choices. Ironically, one of the first places we look to cut personal expenses is in our tithes and offerings to our spiritual home, the church. It seems a bit like reducing your life insurance; you don't miss it until you need it. This is quite ironic for a people who proclaim, *"All things come of Thee O Lord, and of Thine own hath we given Thee."* Yet we must admit that the rising costs of living force us to wrestle with what we value and thereby re-prioritize our spending. Do we spend it all on ourselves or do we continue to give for the benefit of others?

## The Church Must Cut Expenses Too

If we, the Church, are asking the members to change their lifestyle and to cut some unnecessary expenses, then we too must be willing to do the same. We too must wrestle with the same question: Do we spend it all on ourselves or do we give for the benefit of others? We too must look at our lifestyle and at our expenses in order that we do not reduce our own corporate tithes and offerings in the form of mission and outreach. The easy choice would be for us to reduce our corporate giving, our missions, our outreach, our gifts outside ourselves, in order to maintain the lifestyle, the church-style, to which we have become accustomed.

## Repent for the Kingdom of God is at Hand

Our faith has always called us to a change of lifestyle. This lifestyle change was not to our detriment or because Christians aren't supposed to have a good lifestyle or enjoy life. It is, in fact, just the opposite. Our faith has always called us to a change of

lifestyle in order that we might have a better life. Jesus called it "life abundant."

The system of stewardship, financial and resource management, we have been taught by our society is production produces offering. The premise is: If I produce more, I can give more. This is exactly the opposite of the Kingdom order: offering produces production. That's why a tithe is called First Fruit.

For instance, the world teaches us as follows:

1. Earn our money.
2. Enjoy it (usually we over-enjoy it which lands us in debt).
3. Repay the debt from overspending.
4. Save for future needs once you're out of debt.
5. Give, if and when there is anything left over!

But God teaches us to manage our money by inverting the order after earning it: give, save, repay, enjoy.

## Prioritizing Results in Peace

The point of the message would be that prioritizing your use of money according to God's principles results in more peace, generosity and financial freedom. The message is: "Doesn't that make sense? Isn't that great? The God who created us had a plan. And when we live by that plan, life goes better. It just makes sense."

What's the change of mind and heart and spirit that brings a change of lifestyle? That change comes when you are restored to a right relationship with God and again come under His provision.

This is the curse of Adam removed: "By the sweat of your brow..." It's the end of competition. It's proclaiming with King David, *"All things come of Thee O Lord, and of Thine own hath we given Thee."*

## Ministry Money Available

By Ed Dyckman, Chair,  
Department of Social Ministries

**Q:** Do you need ministry money for an event at your church to inspire local outreach or domestic mission?

**A:** If YES, email us at edward.dyckman@att.net or call 843-367-5647.

We'll give you Ministry Money to help pay for your event's publicity, speakers, refreshments, music, and/or entertainment.

In 2007, we gave an average of \$500 each to over 20 churches and social ministries. Help us double the rate in 2008! email or call today.

## The Economic Stimulus Check

What about your "economic stimulus" check? What will it stimulate: Wal-Mart's economy or your faith? Remember Ben English, our vestryman's faithful suggestion to give it to our Seminarian's Fund. May I suggest that you at least tithe that money? If this is found money (ignoring the economic and political questions), then why not give tithing a try? In the book of Malachi God says, *"Test me."* So, give God a test. Try tithing.

## Job Openings Around the Diocese

### Director of Family Ministry The Church of the Cross, Bluffton

The Church of the Cross in Bluffton, is seeking a priest to serve as Director of Family Ministry to promote the moral and spiritual transformation of children from birth to adulthood through their parents and other church volunteers/leaders. The Director of Family Ministries will work in cooperation with the Senior Leadership team and other church leaders to implement family life programs across our campuses. This involves planning, promotion, recruitment and training of volunteers, delivery of the programs and evaluation. Additionally, this position works with the Rector and Sr. Leadership Team to survey and access the needs of the church: couples, single parents, children, teens, young adults, mature adults, etc., and identify areas of need and topics of interest.

If your skills, gifts and passions meet the criteria for this position, see box, right, for instructions on how to apply.

### Director of Faith Formation The Church of the Cross, Bluffton

The Church of the Cross in Bluffton, is seeking a priest to serve as Director of Faith Formation. This person will bear primary responsibility for the design, administration and coordination of The Church of the Cross' faith formation programming designed to form God's people for Christian faith and life, and is responsible for establishing and enhancing a Christ-like culture of Christian virtues that reinforces and promotes the

values of excellence, accountability, caring, life-long learning, and faith development in the Church and community.

If your skills, gifts and passions meet the criteria for this position, see box, right, for instructions on how to apply.

### Personal Assistant to the Rector St. Andrew's, Mt. Pleasant

St. Andrew's Church in Mt. Pleasant, is seeking a candidate to fill the position of Personal Assistant to the Rector. This person is often the first-contact between the Office of the Rector and parishioners and persons outside the parish. As such, exemplary inter-personal skills are necessitated. The Personal Assistant will have primary responsibility for the organization of all matters pertaining to the Office of the Rector, coordination of communication and scheduling for the Rector. The position will open mid-August.

If you have an interest in this position please submit your resumé, personal and professional references, photo and salary history to The Rev'd Steve Wood via email: steve@samp.cc or by mail, St. Andrew's Church, 440 Whilden Street, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464.

### Worship Leader The Church of the Cross, Bluffton

The Church of the Cross in Bluffton, is seeking a worship leader gifted in creating and leading a team process to develop thematic worship and worship leaders. This person will provide leadership for all current and future worship services

including Sunday, weekday and special events on the Buckwalter Parkway Campus. The Worship Leader will work with the Director of Music Ministry and the Senior Leadership Team to plan and coordinate all worship services on the Buckwalter Parkway Campus and in the community.

If your skills, gifts and passions meet the criteria for this position, see box, right, for instructions on how to apply.

### Director of Music/Organist Old St. Andrew's Parish Church, Charleston

Old St. Andrew's Parish Church, Charleston, a growing and vibrant 300-year-old Episcopal family congregation, seeks a new Director of Music. Our Church has a rich history of strong liturgical worship, which is the focal point of our Sunday services. Our Choir is composed of 20 members, all volunteers, who seek an enthusiastic organist and choir director who sees music as an integral part of liturgical worship and who would become part of our church family. The development of a children's choir, a handbell choir, a children's worship service and a contemporary worship service are possibilities in the future. At present, the position is approximately 20 to 25 hours a week, but our hope is for the position to grow along with our congregation. Applicants may send a cover letter and resumé to The Rev. Marshall Huey, Rector, Old St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2604 Ashley River Road, Charleston, SC 29414. Our telephone number is 843-766-1541 if

you have any questions. We are located on Highway 61 near the intersection of Bees Ferry Road.

### Youth Pastor, Trinity Episcopal Church, Myrtle Beach

Trinity Episcopal Church, Myrtle Beach, is seeing a motivated, faithful, and energetic full-time youth pastor for their high school and middle-school youth groups. This person must be able to help facilitate and resource family-based ministry. He or she must be able to mentor youth and lead them into life-long discipleship, following Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. The Youth Pastor must also be a passionate and competent Bible teacher who can relate the unchanging truths of scripture to the ever-changing tides of youth culture. Applicants interested in this position can email a copy of their resumé to friain@sccoast.net. Please feel free to call (842) 448-8426 if you have any questions.

### To Apply for Positions at Church of the Cross, Bluffton:

If your skills, gifts and passions meet the criteria for the position, please submit your resumé, personal and professional references, photo and salary history, to The Very Rev. Dr. Charles E. Owens, III, Rector via email: thepadre@thechurchofthecross.net or by mail: P.O. Box 278, Bluffton, SC 29910.



Mileage Reimbursement Increases to 58.5 cents per mile

The IRS has increased the allowable mileage reimbursement rate to 58.5 cents per mile effective July 1, 2008. It is the policy of the diocese to reimburse its employees at the current IRS mileage rate, and churches are encouraged to do the same. The Diocesan Reimbursement Form has been updated to reflect the change.

Dave Ramsey, Live, at the Charleston Coliseum, August 23

Dave Ramsey is a personal money management expert, an extremely popular national radio personality and the best-selling author of *The Total Money Makeover*. He will be conducting a live seminar which presents his common sense debt reduction and wealth-building strategies at the North Charleston Coliseum on Saturday, August 23 from 1 - 6 p.m. For more information visit [www.daveramsey.com](http://www.daveramsey.com).

Drawing Near to God Begins Study on Acts in September

Joanne Ellison will be leading her ministry and its participants in a study of the Book of Acts this fall. Like all of Drawing Near to God's activities, the focus will go beyond a mere Bible study and into a true healing ministry experience. The next series, Acts: A Church in Action, is split into two parts, with an 7-week ministry and study September 11 through October 23, and a 6-week study, January 15 through February 19. Participants may register online at [www.drawingneartogod.com](http://www.drawingneartogod.com), or they can call for registration forms at (843) 284-4333. This series will be held at St. Andrew's, 440 Whilden Street in Mt. Pleasant's Old Village. Childcare is available.

Franklin Graham Festival, September 19-21

Christians across the region are coming together for the Lowcountry Franklin Graham Festival September 19-21 at the North Charleston Coliseum. Visit [billygraham.org](http://billygraham.org) for more information.

St. Christopher Kids 1st Annual Golf Event

Fore! This Spring, St. Christopher will be having its 1st annual golf event to benefit its youth program. God is on the move at St. Christopher and our youth program is in need of a climbing wall, high ropes course, as well as many other things. If you are a golfer, please plan on attending in the spring of 2009 and help us raise money to reach more kids for Christ. It will be a fantastic event: 18 holes of premium golf at the beautiful Kiawah golf resort, prizes and awards, dinner and a night at St. Christopher. To participate, get on our golf event mailing list, become a sponsor or to give toward the youth program, please contact Jonathan at 843-768-0429 or visit our website at [www.stchristopher.org](http://www.stchristopher.org). We look forward to putting some spring into your swing.

The Calendar

August

- 1-3 Diocesan Married Couples' Retreat, St. Christopher's
- 10 Chaplain Driggers Commissioned, St. Thomas', Charleston
- 11-15 Growing Leaders, Student Leadership Camp, St. Christopher's
- 20 Shelby Multi-Site Workshop, St. Paul's, Summerville
- 21 Recovery Sunday Celebration, Chapel of Ease, McClellanville
- 23 Dave Ramsey, Live, Norht Charleston Coliseum

September

- 13 Bishop Gadsden Dinner Parties for Habitat House
- 19-20 Franklin Graham Festival, North Charleston Coliseum
- 20 Caregivers' Retreat, St. Christopher's

October

- 5-7 Contemplative Retreat, St. Christopher's
- 25 Bishop Gadsden's Oyster Roast, Drayton Hall

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Made Thanksgiving plans yet?

Consider St. Christopher's Thanksgiving Retreat

What better place to rest and give thanks than the beautiful setting of the St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center? The Rector and the staff of St. Christopher invite you to begin setting aside time and making your plans for our annual Thanksgiving Retreat which runs from Wednesday, November 26 to Sunday, November 30. Look for details in the next issue of the Jubilate Deo. Come, let us worship the Lord together at Thanksgiving!

*Enter the Lord's gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.*  
*Psalm 100:4*



Bishop Gadsden Residents to Build a Habitat for Humanity House

By Kimberly Farfone

That's right the Bishop Gadsden Outreach Committee (a resident run committee) has selected Sea Island Habitat for Humanity as their 2008 Charity of Choice. As such, Bishop Gadsden residents, along with resident families, future residents and employees, will raise \$55,000 and assist in the building of a Habitat home.

This will be the second time that the Bishop Gadsden community has taken on such a feat. The first time was in 2000, when they became the first retirement community in the country to raise the funds and physically build a Habitat for Humanity House. This year, Sea Island Habitat for Humanity is celebrating their 30th Anniversary and Bishop Gadsden wants to help them attain their goal of building 30 homes.

This is an aggressive objective, especially during the current economic climate. However, Outreach Chairman Randall Howard said it best in a recent article for the Bishop Gadsden Gab, "Here we are with ever increasing gasoline prices. Inflation is growing. Our economy is questionable. And yet, we are preparing to finance a house and build it with a carefully selected family. Why? Because that's the way we are. We love our country, our city, our community and our neighbors. And we help one another."

The committee is organizing three main fundraisers – all of which are open to the greater community:

Dinner Parties, September 13

The first is a series of dinner parties that will be personally hosted by Bishop Gadsden residents in their own apartments and cottages on Saturday, September 13. The first 200 people to give \$100 (or more), will be invited to attend a dinner party and then gather for dancing and desserts in Bishop Gadsden's Blackmer Hall.

Drayton Hall Oyster Roast October 25

Enjoy the grounds and buildings of Drayton Hall while enjoying oysters and BBQ. Private tours will be available and while the sun sets on the Ashley River you can enjoy live music, a glass of wine and one of America's most treasured homes – what a great way to help build a house! Tickets are \$50 per person.

College of Charleston Symphony Night

This November (date still to be decided) enjoy the newly renovated Memminger Auditorium in downtown Charleston, while listening to talent that seems too wonderful to be true. The young artists of the College of Charleston Symphony will perform to raise money for Bishop Gadsden's Habitat House Fund. More details to follow.



Drawing Near to God Takes to the Airwaves

Joanne Ellison and her teachings can now be heard on radio and TV. Tune in Sunday mornings, 7:30 a.m., Rocket 980 a.m. Sunday evenings, 6 p.m., WJNI 106.3 f.m. and Sunday mornings, 8 a.m., Charleston's TV Channel 42.

Lake Marion Chapter, OSL

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Epiphany. Lee also installed Rev. Scott as the Chaplain of the chapter and presented him with his Chaplain's Medallion and Chaplain's Certificate.

Mr. McVay reports that new Chapters will soon be chartered in Hartsville, Columbia, Greenville, Charleston, Lancaster, Barnwell, and Summerville, S.C. All of these chapters have indicated a real need for healing centers in their communities.

Mr. McVay and his wife Patricia attended the 50th Annual OSL North America Healing Conference in July in Boise, Idaho. They both serve on the Region 3 Council which includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Puerto Rico and the Bahamas.

The International Order of St. Luke the Physician (OSL) was founded in 1932 and is an ecumenical Christian healing ministry. There are about 7000 members in the USA and Canada and these are affiliated with OSL organizations throughout the world.

Members of OSL take the healing touch of Jesus Christ into hospitals, nursing homes, medical clinics, mission trips, the homes of shut-in's and other places where healing is needed.

Chapters host regular healing missions, workshops, and seminars that are open to all. McVay welcomes inquiries about the OSL Healing Ministry. You may contact him at [OSLscusa@aol.com](mailto:OSLscusa@aol.com). Visit [www.OrderOfStLuke.org](http://www.OrderOfStLuke.org) to learn more.