



**Monday Morning in North Georgia**

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**SHARING WEEKLY NEWS WITH NORTH GEORGIA METHODIST**

**Wesley Community**



**Centers, Inc.**

**Capable and Willing to Respond**

The tragedy of Hurricane Katrina has reminded us of the critical nature of helping agencies and ministries to be ready. Regular updates concerning needs of persons effected by the storm are being sent via e-mail and published on the North Georgia Conference web page ([www.ngumc.org](http://www.ngumc.org)). Your response will make a tremendous difference to persons who lack hope or exist in dangerous conditions.

One ministry of the Conference, which has steadily and effectively been prepared to serve persons, is Wesley Community Centers, Inc. At Camp Wesley weeks this summer, 188 children and youth learned valuable lessons concerning our faith. Most campers were referred by social service agencies and attended on camperships because their families could not afford to send them. Each weekday, dozens of senior citizens enjoy the activities at Bethlehem Community Center. They receive hot meals, get help with social services, exercise, do crafts, participate in Bible studies, and go on field trips. Some of the seniors take advantage of home repairs (i.e., roof repairs, painting, yard work, ramps, etc.) done by Project Extend volunteers.

A large percentage of the monies required to carry on the aforementioned ministries is raised through the Wesley Walk for Others. This year over 1,000 United Methodists are expected to make the six-mile trek around Stone Mountain on October 22nd . Walkers are asked to raise pledge monies. You are invited to participate by contacting Wesley Community Centers at 404-872-0086 or by going to [www.wesleycenters.org](http://www.wesleycenters.org).

Out of numerous stories of people who have made the hike each year, is that of Garth Davidson, known as "T. G." who completed the last twenty walks. He recruited and inspired teams of youth and adults from Bethany Church in Smyrna. Because of his efforts, the church raised the largest donations for its size several times. Last October, his family urged the 82 year old to forego the long walk but he persisted, raised \$500, and completed the six miles. It was to be his last such effort before his death on December 3rd . In memory of "T. G." a host of family members and friends from four states will raise donations and join the walkers.



**Family of Garth Davidson**

North Georgia United Methodists are a caring and generous people. Whether responding to a horrid disaster or assisting folks who require help locally, capable hands and willing spirits exist.

Ed Tomlinson

**Call Sunday**

Pastors are reminded that September 11 is the Sunday to focus on the call to the ministry. More information is available on the home page of [www.ngumc.org](http://www.ngumc.org).

**This Week's Calendar Event**

- **Tuesday, September 6**  
Atlanta Marietta District Task Force District Office - 11:00 AM
- **Tuesday, September 6**  
Atlanta Marietta District Church Development Meeting - District Office 9:00 AM
- **Tuesday, September 6**  
Board of Ministry Nurture and Guic Committee Meeting - United Methc Center - 1:30 PM
- **Thursday, September 8**  
Sexual Ethics Task Force - United Methodist Center - 2:00 PM
- **Thursday, September 8**  
Election Task Force Listening Sessi Cascade Church - 10:00 AM
- **Thursday, September 8**  
Northwest District Adult Event - Cohutta Springs Conference Cente 9:00 AM
- **Friday, September 9**  
BOM Extension Ministries - United Methodist Center - 10:00 AM
- **Saturday, September 10**  
Sunday School and Beyond - Dunwoody Church - 9:00 AM
- **Saturday, September 10**  
United Methodist Women Mission 5 - Sam Jones Memorial Church
- **Saturday, September 10**  
Atlanta Roswell District Lay Speaki Institute - Session 1 - Midway Chur Alpharetta, GA - 9:00 AM
- **Sunday, September 11**  
Northwest District Adult Event - Equipping the Saints Workshop - Thomson First - 2:00 PM
- **Sunday, September 11**  
Call Sunday - Conference Wide

**Complete Calendar**  
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**Lectionary and Bible Reading**

**Daily Bible Reading**  
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**Lectionary Scriptures** NIV Sund  
September 11th - 17th Sunday Aft  
Pentecost - Green

**Scripture Readings**  
● Exodus 15: 1b-11, 20-21

- [Exodus 14: 19-31](#)
  - [Romans 14: 1-12](#)
  - [Matthew 18: 21-35](#)
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