

**Winter Walk for the Homeless/  
Save the Date—January 21, 2012**

Open Table Ministry invites you to join them for the 2nd annual walk to raise awareness of homelessness and to raise funds to help our neighbors in need. The 4-mile walk begins at 1:00 with a 12:30 registration time. The starting point is outside the Durham Bulls Athletic Park, and the walk takes place along the American Tobacco Trail. Registration is free, and there will be music and refreshments at the end of the walk. All ages are welcome!

**How Can You Help The Homeless?**

- ◆ Become knowledgeable about the problems of the homeless who live in the woods
  - ◆ Be trained on how to communicate with the homeless
  - ◆ Collect travel-sized toiletries for Open Table
- See <http://opentableministry.com/> for more details about this ministry.



**RUMC MERCI TEAM**

I wanted to take a moment to say thanks for sharing your time and talents with me on our projects in 2011. The Wesley House is shaping up nicely as a result of your hard work and commitment. I am preparing a schedule for 2012 that will include projects at the IHN Day house, Stony Brook Trailer park Raleigh, and Durham based Freedom houses as well as our ongoing Wesley House projects.

I would like also to expand our reach to support RUMC church attendees that might need our unique skills. I really appreciate each of you for sharing Saturdays with Ron, and I wish you a happy holiday season. Let's do even more in 2012!

**Missions Madness!**

Mark your calendar now for our first-ever Missions Madness fundraiser—set for Saturday, February 25 at 6:00 pm. We are looking for 5-6 “coaches” to host a group for dinner in their homes. We would like to have at least one house each for Duke, Carolina, and State, plus “A House Divided” dinner at the church and a Ms. Cellaneous house for all other loyalties! We will provide the “team members”—to enjoy the meal and make donations for missions. Then, all groups will come to church for dessert and the “tournament” (team which raises the most money will be declared the champions). Sound like fun?! If you would be willing to host a team in your home, contact JoAnna Ezuka at [caffertyjoanna@yahoo.com](mailto:caffertyjoanna@yahoo.com).

**CARVE**

Each week, the RUMC family provides non-perishable foods for families in need in the Durham area. Be sure to purchase extra food items when you grocery shop, and bring them to church each Sunday to fill the shopping cart!

# SEEDS



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RESURRECTION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Gather • Proclaim • Grow • Serve

The Week of January 1, 2012

Epiphany

**We Welcome You**

Please contact Dr. Simpson if you would like to join the church or if you would like to find out more about becoming a member of this wonderful, blessed community of faith. Come and unite with our family.

“And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.”

Matthew 2:12

**Ministry Areas**

Resurrection UMC is organized into four ministry areas to address the spiritual and practical needs of our church and community.

- **GATHER** brings us together through fellowship events and provides congregational care.
- **PROCLAIM** coordinates worship experiences and communicates the ministry of the church
- **GROW** nurtures our congregation’s spiritual growth through prayer, classes, and small group opportunities for all stages of life.
- **SERVE** focuses on meeting the needs of the local and global community and sharing the message of God’s love and grace.

See inside for contacts, meeting information, current activities, and how to become involved.

**Lectionary Readings  
in Preparation for January 8**

*Genesis 1:1-5*  
*Psalms 29*  
*Acts 19:1-7*  
*Mark 1:4-11*

**Pastor’s Corner**

Please see the information under SERVE about the upcoming Winter Walk for the Homeless sponsored by Open Table Ministry. I hope that many of us will be able to participate in this event to help the homeless in our community.

Shalom,  
Dr. Simpson

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun 01/01	Mon 01/02	Tues 01/03	Wed 01/04	Thurs 01/05	Fri 01/06	Sat 01/07	Sun 01/08
<b>Sunday School</b> 9:00 am <b>Worship</b> 10:15 am	<b>Worship</b> 15/501 10:30 am <b>GATHER</b> 7:00 pm	<b>Disciple III</b> 7:00 pm	<b>Open Table</b> 15/501 <b>Lunch</b> 12:00 pm <b>Handbell</b> <b>Choir</b> 6:15 pm <b>RUMC Choir</b> 7:15 pm	<b>Disciple III</b> 10:00 am			<b>Sunday School</b> 9:00 am <b>Worship</b> 10:15 am <b>Prayer Shawl</b> <b>Ministry</b> 3:00 pm <b>RUMY</b> 5:00 pm <b>CrossTrainers</b> 5:00 pm

## GATHER Open Meetings 1st Monday of each month Barbara Bumgarner | gather@resurrectionumc.org

### Prayer Shawl Ministry Next Sunday

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will have its first meeting of 2012 on January 8 at 3:00 at RUMC. Note the change in dates due to the New Year's holiday on January 1. This group knits and crochets shawls, which are given to those facing a challenging time. The shawls remind them that they are covered in Christ's love. Beginners are always welcome, and someone will help teach beginners to knit or crochet. Come join us!

### RUMY

RUMY will not meet tonight due to the New Year's holiday. Please join us next Sunday for our first meeting of 2012. We meet at 5:00 for fun, food, fellowship, and growing together as we learn more about God's love for us.

### Members and Friends Directory

The new directory is available in both regular and large print. You can pick up a copy in the narthex or contact the church office for more information. NEW FORMAT AVAILABLE

If you would like an electronic copy of the directory (PDF), please email the church office to receive a copy in this format.

### Contact Information Changes

If your address, phone number, or email address changes, please notify the church office so that our records can be up-to-date.

### Care Works

The Care Works contact for January is Marianna Jaeger, who can be reached at 919-489-8646 or mjaeger1@nc.rr.com. Care Works provides meals and assistance for those who are ill, hospitalized, or have other needs.

## PROCLAIM Open Meetings 2nd Monday of each month Diane Bowman | proclaim@resurrectionumc.org

### Nursery Coordinator Needed

A volunteer is needed to schedule those who serve in the children's church and late nursery each week. This requires a very minimal time commitment to produce a calendar of volunteers. Training is provided. Please contact Joy Moffett at joyfulness78@hotmail.com or 919-572-0649.

### Help "Undecorate" the Sanctuary

PROCLAIM ministry invites the entire RUMC family to stay after worship today to take down and put away Christmas decorations. Many hands make light work, and while we work, we can catch up on holiday news of travels, good food, and family fun. With everyone helping, this should not take more than 30 minutes.

## GROW Open Meetings 3rd Monday of each month Valerie Abbott | grow@resurrectionumc.org

### Children and Youth Sunday School

**Kindergarten-2nd Grade**—Room 105. This class uses the Live B.I.G. curriculum to teach children about the love of God through Jesus.

**3rd-5th Grade**—Room 108. The curriculum for this class is Learning to Use My Bible/Making a World of Difference to help kids live in faith and service.

**Youth Sunday School**—6th-12th grade (Rm 102)  
Youth are studying selected scripture readings.

### CrossTrainers

CrossTrainers will not meet tonight, but we hope you will all join us for this children's ministry time when we resume meeting on January 8. We meet every Sunday from 5:00-6:30 pm.

### Upper Room

The Upper Room devotional guide for January and February 2012 is now available in the narthex in both regular and large-print editions. Pick up a copy from the literature holders near the front doors, and start 2012 off with a daily devotion time.

### Adult Sunday School

**Damascus Road Class**—Meets in back room of the Sanctuary. This class is doing a study of the book Advent 2011: Call Him God's Son. Newcomers are invited to join us at any time!

**FaithLink Class**—Meets in Room 103. This class will begin a study of Three Simple Rules for Christian Living. We will look at John Wesley's "Three General Rules" which invite us all to more faithful living as Christian disciples.

**Galatians 3 Sunday School Class**—The Galatians class invites everyone to join them next Sunday when they resume meeting and begin a study of the book, THE WAY TO HEAVEN, which is a great study of John Wesley's (founder of Methodism) practical theology and how it applies to our daily living today, focusing on Wesley's understanding of grace.

### Sunday School Teachers Needed

The children's Sunday school class, grades K-2, is looking for additional teachers to rotate typically 2 weeks of teaching, 4 weeks off. The curriculum has everything planned out for you, giving you more to choose from than you have time to do. Please consider being part of this group, pray about it, and stop by Room 105 to see the class in action. Contact Pastor Simpson if you are interested.