



The Spire

February 2010

BEL AIR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Up And Coming

- **February is African American History Month.** On February 14, Dr. Tony Hunt will be preaching at 8:00 and 9:20 and Devonna Rowe will be singing. Each Sunday during February will feature an African American Spiritual on either the organ, piano, as a solo, or anthem.
- **Pancake Supper Tuesday, February 16 – 5:00-7:00 PM** In McComas Hall. \$7.50 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-11, age 4 and under free. Proceeds benefit the BAUMC Music Ministry.
- **Ash Wednesday – February 17** Communion Services at 12:00 Noon & 7:00 PM in the Linwood Sanctuary
- **Confirmation Sunday – February 21**
- **Family Lenten Journey Sunday, February 21 – 5:00-6:30 PM** A family event to help us understand the meaning of Lent. Soup & Salad Supper included.
- **UMW Call to Prayer Tuesday, February 23 – 6:30 PM** After a simple meal of soup and bread, we will discover how buildings are important to mission and ministry. We will also have an update on the Board of Child Care Auxilliary.

Did You Know?

- 270 health kits have been sent to Haiti from BAUMC?
- The next mission dinner on March 17 (St. Patrick's Day) will be a corned beef and cabbage dinner to benefit Youth Missions?
- The Prison to Praise Ministry is still collecting new thermal shirts and long underwear for residents in the Harford County Detention Center?
- The ARC Northern Chesapeake Region is looking for volunteers to spend time with foster children the first Thursday of each month? Contact: Wendy Swearman (wendy.swearman@comcast.net).
- GriefShare meets Tuesday at 7:00 PM?
- Divorce Care meets Wednesday at 6:30 PM?

BAUMC In Mission

- **The Welcome One Shelter** needs book bags for their clients. Many new clients are arriving this month and several need bags in which they can carry things with them during the day. If you have an unused bag in good shape, you may drop it off at the church office during business hours or at the Information Center on Sunday. Please label the bag, "Shelter."
- **The Russia Outreach Mission Team** continues to share in ministry with our partner church in Orel, Millennium UMC. Although Pastor Lev and his congregation still have not secured permanent worship space, the church continues to share the good news of Jesus Christ with their community. As we look forward to mission and ministry in 2010, we invite you to participate. We are currently planning our May mission dinner and making preliminary plans to send a team to Russia for the first two weeks of August. Our greatest need right now is for prayer. Please pray for Rev. Lev and his congregation as they work in a heavily Communist region that is not welcoming of evangelical Christianity; the orphans to whom they minister; and the Russia Outreach Mission Team as they look for new leadership and plan for the future. If you feel that God has placed Russia on your heart and if you would like to hear more about the mission, please contact Reverend Carol Pazdersky (410-838-5181 or pazderskyc@baumc.com).
- **Chabadza Leadership Info:** After many years of faithful and dedicated service to the people of Zimbabwe through the Chabadza Healing Hands Across Zimbabwe mission team, Dave Talbot is moving into new ministry opportunities. The staff and congregation of Bel Air United Methodist Church are grateful for all that Dave has accomplished in leading the team since March 2006. As of January 19, 2010, Debbie Englar became the mission team's Interim Team Facilitator until permanent leadership is secured. Reverend Carol Pazdersky will continue to serve as the staff contact for Chabadza. We invite you to become part of the team. We need persons for prayer, fundraising, website updates, communications, community outreach, medical outreach, and travel. If you feel called to participate in this mission, please contact Debbie (debdaf@comcast.net) or Pastor Carol (410-838-5181 or pazderskyc@baumc.com).