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CONGRATULATIONS LESLEY AND WELCOME NEW CAMPUS MINISTERS!

Just a few weeks ago, **Lesley Baskette** marked her 15th year as **Administrative Associate** of the Commission on Higher Education and Campus Ministry. Anyone who has called the office of the Commission seeking an answer to a higher education question knows the value of Lesley's experience and knowledge of the resources. In addition, you have found there a person who is truly interested in helping you and whose spirit reflects her desire to continue offering the best opportunities through our UM schools and Wesley ministries. Congratulations and thanks to Lesley for all she has done and continues to do for students in Georgia!

As we look toward the 2009-2010 school year, we welcome several new college chaplains

and Wesley directors. You will find information about some of our new ministers in this newsletter. Take a moment and send a note of welcome and support to one of these persons or to a returning campus minister serving the school closest to where you live.

In a few weeks, many students will enter college for the first time. As they anticipate the new things of college life, they will experience excitement, but also a bit of nervousness. Our campus ministries are in place to meet them, connect them with other students, and help keep them grounded in their faith. Call or email a campus minister near you to see how you, as an individual or church, can be part of extending the hospitality of the church to these young people as they



begin a new adventure in life. Also, ask the rising college freshmen in your church to enter their names and schools on our website, www.gahied.com, so the campus minister at the appropriate school will be ready to greet them personally.

And...keep our students and ministries in your prayers!

Stuart Gulley Recipient of Francis Asbury Award

At the June 2009 session of the North Georgia Annual Conference, The Reverend Dr. F. Stuart Gulley was presented the Francis Asbury Award by the Georgia United Methodist Commission on Higher Education. During his 13 years as President of LaGrange College, and previously as a member of the administration and faculty of Emory

University, Dr. Gulley has represented and been a strong and vocal advocate for United Methodist higher education in all areas of church life. His leadership in the establishment of a full time position for College Chaplain at LaGrange has exemplified Dr. Gulley's support of the United Methodist commitment to shaping the mind and the

soul of each student. Dr. Gulley leaves LaGrange this month to pursue another opportunity for ministry as Headmaster of Woodward Academy in Atlanta.



Gene Cochran South Georgia Recipient of Francis Asbury Award

The Reverend Gene Cochran was recently presented the Francis Asbury Award for the South Georgia Conference by the Georgia United Methodist Commission on Higher Education and Campus Ministry. Rev. Cochran has exemplified the ideals of the award

described as supporting, strengthening, and promoting the church's ministries in higher education. He served the Georgia Commission for 12 years, including 4 years as Chairperson of the Finance Committee. Rev. Cochran continues to speak for and sup-

port the important ministry of the church on and through our United Methodist colleges and universities and Wesley ministries.



Rev. Scott Tucker, Chaplain at Andrew College

Scott grew up in a United Methodist Church in southwest Georgia and came to personal faith in Jesus Christ through the ministry of the Wesley Foundation at the University of Georgia.

Scott will be the new chaplain at Andrew College and also will be serving Cuthbert First United Methodist Church.

Scott and his wife Patty celebrate seventeen years of marriage this August. They

have four children, Joseph (13), Ben (11), Amy (6) and Matthew (1).

You may welcome Scott via e-mail at scottsit@securenum.net.



Kevin Veitinger, Director at Armstrong Atlantic University Wesley Foundation

Kevin began ministry as a musician touring and recording with a band made up of all Christians. In 1996, in between gigs, he began interning with his home church's youth ministry. Now after many years of local church based youth

and college ministry Kevin is the Savannah Area Wesley Coordinator for Armstrong Atlantic while serving as the pastor of two churches. Kevin's passion in ministry is rethinking church in order to be more relevant to emerging genera-

tions. Kevin hopes to develop a college ministry that grows organically by empowering student leaders to live incarnationally. You can reach Kevin at kveitinger@gmail.com



PRAYER CORNER



Jane Scott, wife of David Scott, Wesley Director at Kennesaw State has Mono. Please keep Jane, David and family in prayers. You may reach David at kswesley@yahoo.com

Quincy Brown, chaplain LaGrange College, is back on the list for need of a kid-

ney. You may reach Quincy at qbrown.lagrange.edu

Rev. Brett Maddocks, Director at Columbus State University

I am from Valdosta, GA. I graduated from Lowndes High School and Valdosta State University. While attending Valdosta State I was involved with the Wesley Foundation where I was in leadership for much of the time I was there. I also met my wonderful wife, Jessica while I was in college and we were married in October of 2004. In 2005 we moved to Kentucky

where I attended seminary at Asbury Theological Seminary. I have recently been appointed to St. Luke UMC in Columbus, GA where I am the Minister of Evangelism. Along with my ministry to St. Luke I am also the campus minister at Columbus State. My hopes and desires for the Wesley Foundation at Columbus State are that through our ministry stu-

dents will see the love of Christ in a very real and tangible way. I hope that by experiencing Christ's redemptive love, the students will be drawn to commit their lives to be disciples of our Lord.

You can welcome Brett via e-mail at bmaddocks@stlucum.com.



Rev. Matt Martin, Director at Georgia College & State University

Matt Martin is the new director of the Georgia College State University Wesley foundation in Milledgeville where he also serves as the new pastor to Montpelier UMC. An alumnus of the University of Georgia, Matt came to know Christ through the ministry of the UGA Wesley Foundation. That is also where he met and fell in love with his beautiful wife, Autumn. In 2007,

Matt graduated with a three years old, and Sophie who is 17 months old. The whole Martin clan is excited about their new adventure in Milledgeville at the GCSU Wesley Foundation. Matt's deepest hope is to see God change students' lives the way God change his life while in college. You can reach Matt at mmmartin3@gmail.com Matt and Autumn have two beautiful children, Fisher who is



Rev. Lowell Layman, Director Georgia Southwestern State University

You may welcome Lowell and his family via e-mail at lowell.l@juno.com.



Andrew J. Young, II is the only son of the late Andrew Young and Mrs. Thespian P. Young. He is married to Mrs. Tracy Bedford Young, both are natives of Savannah, GA and the parents of three sons- Ajani, Zuri and Najee Young. Mrs. Young is a graduate of Bennett College in Greensboro, NC; holds the Master of Education degree and is currently employed as an elementary school teacher at the ASHtree Organization School. Dr. Young is a graduate of Savannah State University (BBA; an honor graduate of the Interdenominational Theological Center (M. Div.) of Atlanta, GA. Recently he completed the Doctor of Min-

istry degree at United Theological Seminary. His project entitled 'Crafting an Evaluative Tool for Informal Mentoring Youth Ministry' was well received. He has also completed the prestigious Summer Leadership Institute of the Harvard Divinity School focusing on community and lay leadership development. Pastor Young has served in Christian ministry for 19 years. In 2002 he served as the Youth & Young Adult Minister at Historic Central United Methodist Church in Atlanta, GA. Also in 2002 he began serving the Brice United Methodist Church just outside of Columbus,

Ohio as senior associate. On April 15, 2004 he was appointed as the founding pastor of Community of Faith UMC, which outgrew more than 75% of all UMC churches in the West Ohio Conference in its first two years. In 2008 he accepted the call to return home and take the helm of the New Covenant UMC (formerly Epworth UMC). Pastor Young believes in the free expression of love and thanksgiving to God and the life changing power of God's spirit upon the believer. God has fashioned Dr. Young as a man who cherishes his family and champions his community. His per-

sonal power text is 1 Corinthians 2:9, *"For no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor has even entered into the hearts of men, that which God has prepared for those who love him."*

You may reach Drew at revajy2@gmail.com.



Rev. Timothy Moore, Chaplain, Young Harris College

A native of the southern Appalachians, Timothy Moore, grew up in Cullowhee, a small college town in western North Carolina. He graduated from Greensboro College with a degree in Religion and Philosophy, focusing on Christian ethics. After graduation, he married Amy Spivey, a fellow Greensboro College graduate. They both, then, continued their studies at Duke University, completing Master of Divinity degrees and receiving ordination as Elders in the Western North Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Following their time at Duke, they moved to St. Andrews, Scotland, where Tim furthered his studies as a postgraduate research student at St. Andrews University as a Rotary International Scholar. At St. Andrews, Tim con-

centrated his research and teaching in the area of practical divinity/Christian ethics. After returning from Scotland, Tim assumed charge of two rural United Methodist congregations in Surry County, North Carolina. Having identified a desire to minister specifically with college students and a college community early in his vocational exploration, Tim, next, sought and received an appointment as the director of The Wesley Foundation campus ministry at Western Carolina University. He loved his experience at WCU. Ministering as the director of the Wesley Foundation confirmed for Tim his desire both to minister in the college students but to do so more comprehensively with the whole academic community. He looked forward to a time when he might not

only minister on the periphery of a college campus as a Wesley Foundation director but to the whole college community at a small United Methodist college as the campus minister for the whole institution. In addition to confirming and specifying his ministerial call while at WCU, Tim began his doctoral studies at Hood Theological Seminary. Through those studies, Tim furthered his research in the area of Christian ethics and social justice. Upon completing his coursework at Hood, Tim, Amy, and their young daughter—Laura-Clare—moved to southeast England to take up a year's appointment with the British Methodist Church. In England, Tim served as the lead pastor of five churches in the southwest section of the Reading-Silchester Circuit. While in England, Tim

completed his doctoral studies in Christian ethics and human sexuality. Tim and his family love being back in the mountains, returning to a college community, and working to connect students, the church, and the college more concretely with their faith and each other. He is looking forward to ministering with every facet of the Young Harris College community and building and sustaining those vital connections. You may reach Timothy at timothiscottmoore@hotmail.com

