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Paine College is Tom Joyner's School of Month (July)

Paine College was selected as Tom Joyner Foundation 2010 School of the Month (July). From January 2010—December 2010, all funds raised via the Paine College/Tom Joyner Foundation Partnership will be sent directly to Paine for the students. The Tom Joyner Foundation is a major fundraising vehicle for Historically Black Colleges and Universities formed by the nationally syndicated radio personality Tom Joyner.

The scholarships will be awarded to the students through the Financial Aid Department at Paine, based on need and other requirements of the school and the donor. The more YOU give to the Tom Joyner Campaign for Paine, the more TOM will give to

Paine for her students. Help drive the dollars for scholarships by making your donation today.

To make a contribution you may contact Mr. Reginald Powell, Director of Research and Gifts, at 706.821.8359, mail a check payable to the Tom Joyner Campaign for Paine College, c/o Office of Institutional Advancement, 1235 Fifteenth Street HH115, Augusta, Georgia, 30901, or by visiting the Paine College website at www.paine.edu.

The Tom Joyner Foundation will award scholarships ranging in amounts from \$1,000 to \$5,000 each to Paine students who qualify.

As one of the Tom Joyner Foundation's "Schools of the Month," Paine received funds



PCA Making Donation to
Tom Joyner Foundation

from listeners, alumni, corporations and other interested parties during the month of July 2010. However, your contributions may be given to the campaign until December 31, 2010.

The Foundation has raised more than \$25 million over the past seven years to help thousands of students at some 80 Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

*From Paine College website—
www.paine.edu*

Settlin'-In

It's "settling-in" time again on the campuses of colleges everywhere. Students are filling dorms and classrooms again for the 2010-2011 school year. Our Georgia UM schools and campus ministries are busy connecting with students and making the church visible and welcoming in the midst of the "settling-in" activity.

The church's role on the campus can never be taken for granted. The presence of the church through the committed persons who lead our ministries and our schools is critically important to the kingdom of God. This year, because the church is on the campus, young adult lives will be shaped and molded for Jesus Christ in ways that will

affect the future of our world and our church.

Pray for all college students and for those who lead our UM schools and campus ministries. Pray that through our church's presence on the campus, the Spirit of God will be enabled to touch every soul and circumstance, and that the response will be great!



Quincy Brown featured in Upper Room Prayer 40

The following is a prayer submitted by Rev. Dr. Quincy Brown, chaplain at LaGrange College, to the Upper Room for Prayer 40. Prayer 40 is an initiative from the United Methodist Church and campus ministry that includes campus ministers, chaplains, church administrators, clergy and students who commit to 40 days of prayer for our students. This is the second year of the initiative sponsored by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry and the Upper Room.

Psalm 121

Almighty and merciful God, as we look to hills, quadrangles, Old Main buildings, chapels, student center, sororities, classrooms and labs, we are reminded that help for our students comes from you.

So we praise you O God for your

creating, redeeming, sustaining presence that is always with us and we ask your blessings on all of the students that will be entering and returning to the many colleges and universities across the country.

We ask that you grant students patience, wisdom, guidance and courage as they begin the intellectual journey of critical thinking, testing assumptions, and solving problems. May your amazing grace sustain them during the days of confusion, homesickness and times of temptation. Pour out your Spirit on their lives as they discern how they will live out the many commitments that they have made. And temper their thoughts so that they may never forget your call on their lives for a more excellent way of love, grace and following Jesus. When they struggle with finances, relationships, family issues, personal sickness, grades,

professors, roommates, weight and physical appearance, and issues of purpose, remind them that you are always with them, going out ahead of them to lead them and tarrying behind them to keep them from straying. May students feel your presence hovering above them to protect them and underneath supporting them; and most importantly, may each student feel your Almighty presence walking beside them because of your promise to never leave them. Amen

Action: Before you walk through the doorway of your dormitory or a building on campus, pause to ask God's blessing by silently praying these words of God's promise: The LORD will keep my going out and my coming this day and forevermore.

Did You Know...

..there is a Southeastern Jurisdiction **Student Movement Conference**

December 17-19, at Lake Junaluska, NC? Check out lakejunaluska.com/student-movement/ for more information!

...that **LaGrange College** continued its streak as a top 10 best college in US News & World Report for the 11th straight year?

Georgia Campus Ministers Gather in Bowdon

Sixteen of our Wesley Directors and Campus Ministers from across the state met for a brief retreat in July. Rev. Cindy Autry, Executive Director, led the group in worship and renewal. One of the highlights of the retreat was the traditional trip to Newnan for an evening of bowling and golf. From the retreat began the formation of plans for Mission Restore 2011. This statewide mission trip will be to Haiti to help in restoration efforts after the recent earthquake. Watch for details for this opportunity for students across the state to gather in fellowship and mission.

Andrew College has a new Chaplain

A native of Maryland, Chris Shoemaker spent his childhood in coastal south Florida and has lived in southern Georgia for 24 years. He has been a United Methodist pastor for 15 years and has served in the Columbus, Thomasville, and Valdosta districts. Chris earned a B.A. in Communication from Columbus State University and a M.Div. at Asbury Theological Seminary's Florida campus, where he is currently a doctoral student. His wife, Kerri Reese Shoemaker, is a native of Jones County and a *Summa Cum Laude* graduate of LaGrange College. Chris is a published Methodist historian and serves on both the Southeastern Jurisdictional and national United Methodist Historical Societies. You may send greetings to Chris at brothershoe@zebra.net.



GWSM Plans Statewide Mission Trip to Haiti in May, 2011

For the third year students from UM campus ministries across Georgia will join together in Mission Restore. We will be going to Port au Prince, Haiti, May 15-21, 2011. With the leadership of Rev. Michael Dunbar, pastor of Mt. Pleasant UMC in Social Circle, 30 students and campus ministers will seek to share good news with their neighbors who continue to live in great devastation. Working through the Haiti Bethlehem Project initiated by Rev. Dunbar, Pastor Antoine Jean Rigaud, and members of Carrollton First UMC, students will have an opportunity to assist in construction projects, simple health care, and outreach to children, including 70 children who live in an orphanage. The cost will be approximately \$1000 per person, which covers airfare, lodging, food, ground transportation and UMVIM registration and insurance. Costs not included are passport fees, immunization costs, and personal spending money. A non-refundable deposit of \$100 is due by November 1. Students interested in going should speak with their campus minister. Find out more about the Haiti Bethlehem Project at www.haitibethlehemproject.org. More detailed information will be available soon.



Prayer Corner

- **Michael Stinson's**, commission member, family in the death of his grandmother
- **Scott Parrish's**, Augusta State Wesley Foundation director. family as they deal with medical issues with his grandmother and mother-in-law.
- Our college campuses as students, teachers, campus ministers return for the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year.