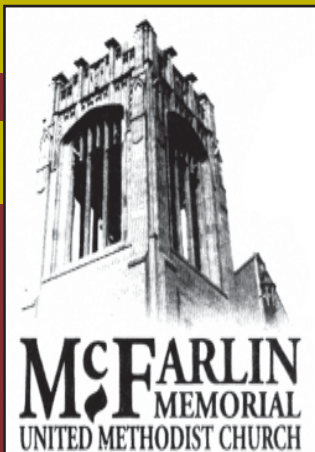


# McFarlin Alive

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*Responding  
to God's call,  
we seek to  
live lives  
shaped by  
Christ,  
to reach  
people for  
Christ,  
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## **Save the Date - January 10, 2010!**

Dr. Thomas Thangaraj, visiting professor at OCU for the winter semester, will be preaching both morning services at McFarlin Church. He will also be lecturing from 7:15-9 PM in Meyer Hall on the topic of "Christian Witness in an Interfaith World". Dr. Thangaraj recently retired from the United Methodist Candler School of Theology, Emory University, as Ruth Brooks Associate Professor of World Christianity.



Dr. Thangaraj was raised in an all-Christian community in a primarily Hindu culture in India. He is uniquely qualified for and committed to helping other Christians learn to live life as a genuinely committed Christian without offending our neighbors and friends of other faiths. He was recently interviewed in Emory Report magazine as saying, "In a shrinking global community where the world's cultures and religions are rubbing elbows, Christians are asking themselves how to relate to others and still remain true to their faith." The magazine author continues by saying, "that's the buzz at nearly every church Thangaraj has visited lately, and it's one reason he wrote *Relating to People of Other Religions*, subtitled, "What Every Christian Needs to Know." This and other books will go on sale at the COSI CORNER in the near future as we prepare for his coming.

## **Park & Ride!**

Please consider using Park & Ride to make room for our guests who attend the 10:55 worship services. The McFarlin vans run from McFarlin to the Boyd House lot and back again every Sunday. Times are: 9:30-9:55 AM, 10:40-11:05 AM and 12:00-12:25 PM. If you attend Sunday school and the 10:55 services, please consider using Park & Ride. If you would like to volunteer to help drive the vans, please contact Mike Hawley at [mike@mikehawley.com](mailto:mike@mikehawley.com).



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## **CROP Kenya Dinner - September 27**

McFarlin has been one of the major supporters of CROP Walk for many years. Often the leadership of the annual event has rotated among a few churches including McFarlin. Every year we have several walkers who solicit pledges and walk around campus and the area near McFarlin to raise funds for Food and Shelter for Friends locally and for humanitarian aid to 80 countries around the world.

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# Ministry Updates

## From My House to Your House



Over 15 months ago the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church voted that every local United Methodist Church in Oklahoma would develop a Strategic Plan. To implement this plan our church developed a Strategic Plan Committee to determine what we should do. What emerged out of this committee was the decision to focus on worship in our local church. Recently we did a church-wide worship survey. Approximately 475 people filled out this survey. Last week we had a joint meeting of the Strategic Plan Committee and the Worship Ministry Team to review the results of this survey. There were some things we learned relative to our worship services here at McFarlin.

Among other things, we learned that a large percentage of our people want less noise in our Sanctuary when people come in and out of worship. A large percentage of our people want to sing more familiar hymns and songs in both the Sanctuary services and LifeLine, and they want sermons that are challenging and thought provoking, and spiritually moving and inspirational. Also, some people want to increase the use of older youth in the services, and it was suggested that communion should be served regularly in all three services on the same day each month.

Another thing we talked about was that attendance pads should be passed up and down each row so that everyone would be aware of whom they were worshipping with each Sunday. Also, it was decided that the ministers would be asked to mention this procedure, and to have a notice about this placed in the worship bulletin.

Above all, we discovered people wanted the service to be focused on worshipping God. People did not want distractions, and they did not want announcements unless they were at the very beginning or end of the worship service. There were other things mentioned as well. While we have already started making some of these adjustments, there are other adjustments that will need to be made to reflect the results of the survey.

For the most part, the Strategic Plan Committee has completed its work, and now it is up to the Worship Ministry Team to implement changes in the worship services. The Strategic Plan Committee will be reporting its results and recommendations at the annual Charge Conference in November. I am very grateful for the hard work of this committee and for the many hours the members of this committee have spent on this effort. I believe their work will result in appropriate changes in our worship, and will produce good results in the life of our congregation.

For vital worship,

*Dick House*

**Life** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Line**



I like church. Really, I do. It's not that our church (or any church for that matter) does everything to my liking or that I find every person in the church always pleasing to get along with. It's not that no one ever "steps on my toes" or offends me. It's not that I'm never frustrated or discouraged when things are done or said that I would rather had been said or done differently. No, that's not it - there have been times in every church I've been in, including this one, when I've been frustrated, discouraged, offended and pretty sure there were ways it could have been done better. So, why do I like church? Well, a big part of it is this: in almost every case, people are trying. No one wants their church to be mean, or poorly run, or unchristian in any way. I've never found a church person who really didn't want their church to be the best church it could be and I've never run across a church person who didn't want to become the best person they could become. That we struggle in making those two things happen is no secret,

but at least at the motive level, people are trying. There is no place like it - where people come together to worship God and try to become better people as God defines "better". And that makes the church a very special, if imperfect, place. There are days when I forget that the church is a gift from God; given for our benefit and blessing. But fortunately those days don't last long and even when I grumble and complain, the truth is, I really like the church.

# Ministry Updates

## Youth Works...

I really think benchmarks are important when it comes to ministry. The business sector uses them, the educational system uses them, and even our own United Way here in Norman is using them (I have the privilege of serving on the Children & Youth Sub-Committee at the United Way, and there are some awesome things going on in our community). The benchmark in youth ministry that is the easiest to calculate and tell us the most is numbers. Several people have approached me about why it is that I have been talking so much about our numbers in the youth ministry lately; really, the reason is twofold. First, good things are going on and we are really excited about that and second, I have found that if I just say, "we had an awesome event" that doesn't really tell enough of the story.

We had a fantastic All-Church Youth Missions Celebration on Sunday, September 13. With over 160 in attendance (sorry...there is a number, again) every single segment of our McFarlin Family was represented (young, older, single, married, families, staff, long-time members, new members, etc.). It was awesome to get to tell our stories of the amazing summer missions!

Our leadership teams (FISH for the high schoolers and BASIC for the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders) have met for 3 weeks now and things are going really well. In FISH (Followers in Service to Him), we have over 60 youth and 20 adults involved (this is the most in several years), all broken up into 6 small groups. We have run into a ton of Wednesday evening conflicts for the middle schoolers (what happened to Wednesday being a sacred church night?), but still we have almost 30 kids involved in that. We are challenging the kids hard this year about how they are called to live and to be Christ-like servant-leaders. They keep coming back week after week, so obviously they are responding!

Finally, we need some folks to help with youth dinner on Sunday nights. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jane Cook, [jcook@mcfarlinumc.org](mailto:jcook@mcfarlinumc.org), as she is coordinating this effort.

Scott Meier

## Music Notes

One of my favorite books is called, "Who Moved My Cheese". It is a story about a mouse and his buddies who were able to go to a particular spot each day and find cheese, enough for all of them. They would go back to their homes and return the next day to find a fresh batch of cheese - seemingly, just for them. One day the group went to the spot and NO CHEESE! They returned home hungry, the next day they returned to the spot and no cheese again. This went on for several days until our mouse decided that he was going to go look for the cheese somewhere else in the maze. His friends were mortified that he would be killed, or lost or...but he wasn't, he found the cheese and rushed back to tell his friends. His friends didn't believe him right away but he eventually motivated them to come with him to find the cheese.

Change happens, sometimes it is unexpected and unwanted and often it makes us sad but it still happens. It is God's way; many times it is a lesson or truth God is trying to teach. We must move on, work together and find the new cheese. It is not easy, neither is leadership. Often we think of leaders as the individuals with all the answers, sure of themselves and able to live a stress-free wonderful life. Most of the time leadership is difficult; it comes with great disappointments and constant change, sometimes unwanted. However, it is the leader's job to move through the change to see the preferred outcome of the new direction. We have experienced a great deal of change recently in the music areas of McFarlin Church. In June of this year our Minister of Music resigned. Shortly following this resignation, Dr. Z and I joined the team. In September, Venita MacGorman resigned. She gave many great years to McFarlin and her groups were always of a very high caliber. We will miss her contributions and talent.

Now we must find the new cheese - we must press on and make McFarlin music better than ever in every way. We have very talented committed individuals leading all of our groups and we are performing a nationwide search for a full time individual to become our Director of Children's Music and Handbells at McFarlin. If you are a part of music at McFarlin, I hope you will join me in moving forward. If you haven't been a part of music at McFarlin, I hope you will join us for a journey that will lead us to proclaim the gospel and glorify God in the most magnificent way possible. A journey that will elevate, inspire and motivate our congregation and others to join McFarlin in its mission.

For finding the cheese!  
Boyd Hamilton  
Interim Coordinator of Music

## **McFarlin Church has an Immediate Opening for the Director of Children's Music and Handbells**

McFarlin has a vibrant music ministry with numerous children's choirs and 10 handbell choirs with more than 80 participants. The position is full time and includes a benefit package. Salary will be commensurate with education and experience. Please send resumes to McFarlin UMC, PO Box 6390, Norman, OK 73070-6390, attn. Boyd Hamilton or [bhamilton@mcfarlinumc.org](mailto:bhamilton@mcfarlinumc.org).

# Ministry Updates

## Senior Adult

### *Hi there seniors!*

Thanks to all of you for helping kick-off our 2009-2010 Bonus Years season. Wow! We had one hundred people attend our first Bonus Years Meeting.

We have been invited to attend the South OKC District Senior Luncheon on Wednesday, September 30 at Capitol Hill UMC at 11:30 AM. Everyone should take a covered dish. There will be lots of food, fun and fellowship with other senior members from the Methodist churches in our area. If you are interested in going, please call Carol Schreiner at the church: 321-3484 ext 108.

Our Branson trip had to be canceled due to lack of participants. However, we are planning a trip on November 17 through SE Oklahoma and through the Talimena Drive.

In October there is a conference for grandparents raising grandchildren. It will be held October 20-21 at New Covenant Christian Church in OKC. If you are interested in going, please call 522-4510.

Our next Bonus Years Meeting is coming soon on October 7. The speaker for the program is best-selling author, Sharon Sala, who has written over 80 books. As a native Oklahoman, many of her books are written about Oklahoma. Everyone who attended last month can attest to what great food we had. This month's menu is teriyaki chicken, wild rice, tossed salad, bread and apple dumpling. All this plus the outstanding program for only \$7 each. Sign up by Thursday, October 1. We served 100 people last month and will again limit our south and north parking places to church attendees and staff.

Seen on a church marquee, "come in and have your faith lifted!"

Keep Smiling,  
Carol Dean Schreiner

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH-HOUSE

Have you noticed the calendar outside the children's ministry offices? This calendar is made monthly with pieces of art created by the children of McFarlin. This month it is a collection of art from Children's Day Out, Early Childhood Sunday School, and Elements. Come see our display of their creations.

Update...Date Change...New Information...Please read!

We had our first All Hallows' Eve planning meeting last Wednesday evening. Due to many community events on October 30-31, we have moved our All Hallows' Eve to **Sunday, November 1 from 5:30-7:30 PM and it will be a Fall Festival of Saints**. The event will include carnival games and booths, free hot dogs, chips, popcorn, and drinks, as well as a hayride, face painting and pumpkin painting. Our youth are busy helping plan this event and relating the booths and games to saints. Costumes are welcome and encouraged, as well as bringing friends and family to enjoy the fun! Our next planning meeting will be Monday, October 21 at 6 PM in room 222. We are asking for donations of candy (please no peanuts) and trinkets now, so please bring donations to the children's ministry offices, room 211-212 on the second floor of the church.

### **All Saints' Banners**

It is time for All Saints' Banners to be made and hung. We need information from family members who want a banner made for their loved one to be turned in as quickly as possible so that we can get the banner made and ready for hanging on October 29. Remember, we cannot make a banner unless the family agrees to have it made. If you would like to have a banner made please contact [twilliams@mcfarlinumc.org](mailto:twilliams@mcfarlinumc.org) or call 321-3484, ext. 112 with your information. You will need to give the name as you want it to appear on the banner, and things you want represented on the banner (job, hobbies, special interests, etc). **We must receive all information no later than October 15 to have time to get your banner made.**



### **Resignation of Venita MacGorman**

Venita MacGorman recently resigned from her position as Associate Music Director here at McFarlin. While we regret she made this decision, and will miss her many efforts and musical talents, we will continue to be grateful for her years of service in the church. Venita made some wonderful contributions over the years, and we appreciate her work on behalf of this congregation. We wish her well in any future endeavors. As we move forward, McFarlin will continue to provide excellent opportunities for children and youth. We hope your children will avail themselves of these opportunities.

# Ministry Updates

## 1 Perspective

Human beings have a way of getting very content with what seems comfortable. One example in the church is Sunday school classes and other small groups that are comfortable with who they are and the way their group functions and simply want to maintain the *status quo*. The problem is most groups do not manage to pull this off. In our mobile society people move, others lose interest and some look for "greener pastures." That means that a group which does not add new people is actually declining, not maintaining. Our groups would be more healthy if, instead of being comfortable the way things are, they would work at including new people. Fresh blood is a good thing for most groups.

By the time you receive this newsletter, adult classes will have received an updated report on the attendance of their group. We need to continually renew our methods for caring for class members and reaching out to new people. In a few weeks adult class officers will be invited to the Class Officers' Gatherings where these topics will be discussed. Classes who have good ideas can share them with others and everyone can benefit.

I continue to offer guidance for groups who are looking for study material. Some classes have turned in study books they have completed so others can use them and my volunteers and I attempt to keep those lists updated. I encourage classes to try something different from time to time in their study. That is one reason we keep a list of guest speaker possibilities on the resource table outside the workroom in the office area for adult teachers and leaders.

If your group has become too relaxed about enjoying things "the way they are," maybe it's time to work at doing something new as God said to the prophet in Isaiah 43, "Behold, I am doing a new thing" or in Revelation, "Behold, I make all things new."

For newness of life,  
George Shepherd

## Bible Lectures at OCU

Bible scholar Amy-Jill Levine from Vanderbilt Divinity School will speak Thursday, September 24 at Oklahoma City University's Chapel (basement). Her topic at 3 PM is "Jesus, Women, and Family Values" and at 7 PM Dr. Levine will speak on "Jesus and Judaism: Why the Connection Matters". She has been featured on Disciple Bible study videos and is a highly sought-after speaker. Lectures are free and open to the public.

## Academy - New Courses and Old Favorites

New topics are included along with repeats of popular past classes in the 2009 edition of Fall Academy. Seventeen adult courses are set for five Wednesdays, 7-9 PM, September 30 through October 28.

Senior Minister Dick House will teach "**Wesley: The Man, the Myth and the Mission.**" Merry Voeller's one-stroke painting class is "**Paint a Memory Book and Two Memory Boxes.**"

Other courses not mentioned in the last newsletter are "**Beading Fun,**" "**Conversational Spanish,**" "**Creative Cards,**" "**Genealogy,**" "**Learn to Crochet,**" "**Advanced Mah Jongg,**" "**Scrap Booking,**" "**Tai Chi,**" and "**Yoga.**" Three other classes not listed are full and others are cancelled.

See examples of projects from the craft classes at the registration tables in the Atrium on Sunday morning. Tuition for all adults and youth is \$20 for the five weeks. Registration for elementary children has been reduced this year to just \$10. Many crafts classes also have materials fees.

Some classes are filling quickly, so avoid disappointment by enrolling this week. Brochures are around the church building. In addition to enrolling in the Atrium, you can also do so by mail or at the church office during the week. In any case, your place is reserved in a class once your registration has been paid. You can also check the church website homepage where you can get to the brochure copy and registration form from the rotating events box in the lower left corner. You are sure to find something interesting in all the courses offered. For additional information on Academy, please contact George Shepherd at church: 321-3484, ext. 109 or e-mail him at [gshpherd@mcfarlinumc.org](mailto:gshpherd@mcfarlinumc.org).

## CROP Kenya Dinner - September 27

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This year we have an exciting "extra." In order to learn more about how the CROP walk proceeds are used internationally, we have a special dinner next Sunday evening at 6 PM in Fenn Hall. One of our Norman CROP leaders, Brenda Wheelock, a member of St. Stephens UMC, went on a CROP trip last year to Kenya. She will share an excellent PowerPoint show highlighting her trip and answer questions about the various projects that CROP sponsors in that country. The dinner is sponsored by Church & Society, Missions and the Youth Ministry. This is a church-wide event for adults, families and senior high students. Donations will be accepted to defray food cost.

# McFarlin News

## Child SHARE Needs Christmas Party Gifts

Every year the *Circle of Care* Child SHARE program sponsors a Christmas party for its foster families. This year it will take place on Saturday, December 5 at McFarlin Church in Norman. During the party, each child receives a gift from Santa. It is always a special moment for the children, many of whom have never celebrated Christmas.

Child SHARE needs over 100 new unwrapped toys in the \$15 range for all ages (# toys needed): 0-24 months (11); 2-3 years (24); 4-6 years (37); 7-10 years (26); 11-13 years (16); and 14-18 years (12). If you, your class or group, would like to provide the gifts for an age category, or part of one, please contact Bob Brooke, Child SHARE Coordinator at 579-1232 for the details.

## Weekend to Remember Marriage Conference

Weekend to Remember Marriage Conference will be held again this year in OKC October 9-11, which means you have a great opportunity to put aside life's daily distractions and focus on each other again to improve your marriage. This Christian marriage conference will help strengthen your marriage in so many ways. For more information, see the displays around the church or [www.familylife.com/groups/mcfarlin](http://www.familylife.com/groups/mcfarlin) (register through this McFarlin site and receive a \$40 discount) or contact Mike Hawley at [mike@mikehawley.com](mailto:mike@mikehawley.com) or 321-3488. Scholarships are available. Invest in your marriage - isn't it worth your time?

## AUDITIONS FOR "THE LITTEST ANGEL"

During the 2009 Advent season, the United Methodist Women of McFarlin will sponsor the presentation of the one-act play and Christmas classic, "The Littlest Angel." The first performance will be on Tuesday, December 1 at the UMW December unit meeting and annual guest event when all women new to the church are invited to be our special guests. A second performance will be presented in cooperation with the youth of McFarlin as they serve a McFarlin congregational Christmas dinner on December 17.

While UMW and the youth are sponsoring these events, help is needed from the entire congregation in acting, sets, stage assistance, costumes and other jobs. Both men and women are needed for 2 major roles and 8-10 short ones. Also needed are two "trumpeter angels" who can play a fanfare on the trumpet. We are fortunate to have the assistance of Marles Bradley, active participant in many Sooner Theater productions as our director. Auditions for roles in the play will be held on Sunday, October 4, at 7 PM in room 224 at McFarlin. All interested in roles are encouraged to come to the auditions. If you cannot come at that time or would like to help in another capacity, contact Beverly Sanders at 294-0033, e-mail [bisanders@cox.net](mailto:bisanders@cox.net), or you can e-mail Marles Bradley at [marlesbradley@yahoo.com](mailto:marlesbradley@yahoo.com). Your participation is vital to the success of this project, and we hope to hear from you!



## Apstole's Build Continues

The house is taking shape at 620 E. Apache (about three blocks east of Porter). McFarlin and the other Norman churches involved in the Habitat for Humanity Apstole's Build project are scheduling volunteers to do construction on Friday and Saturday workdays most weeks. Several McFarlin members have helped already but there is room for many more. Sign-up sheets are outside worship on Sundays. For now we have the sheets out for workdays through the end of October. Sign up on the proper page and line for when you can work and be sure to include your contact information for reminder calls or e-mails or to be notified if plans change. For additional information, please contact George Shepherd at the church: 321-3484, ext. 109 or [gshpherd@mcfarlinumc.org](mailto:gshpherd@mcfarlinumc.org).

# McFarlin Family

**Welcome McFarlin Home Nursery:** Graeson Bennett Lowry, son of Travis and Amanda Lowry.

**Welcome McFarlin New Members:** Jonathan and Kelli Bryan; Traci Courange.

# Meetings & Activities

September 27th - October 3rd

<b>Sunday, September 27</b>			7:00PM	With-God Group	Room 404
8:00AM	Men 2 Pray 4 Pastors	Room 200	7:00PM	Divorce Adjustment	Room 307
8:00AM	HS Freshman/Sophomore Retreat	Offsite	7:10PM	Women's Bible Study	Room 407
8:30AM	Early Sanctuary Worship*	Sanctuary	7:30PM	Wednesday Bible Study*	Room 328
9:35AM	Communion After Worship*	Martin Chapel	7:30PM	B.A.S.I.C.	Room 321
9:40AM	Sunday School*	Various	7:30PM	FISH Opening Worship	Sanctuary
10:55AM	Sanctuary Worship*	Sanctuary	8:00PM	Al-Anon	Room 227
10:55AM	LifeLine Worship*	Fenn Hall	<b>Thursday, October 1</b>		
12:00PM	Family Ministries*	Room 222	7:00AM	Boys' Bible Breakfast	Ozzies
12:05PM	Communion after Worship	Martin Chapel	9:00AM	Disciple III	Room 222
12:15PM	New Member Class/Luncheon*	Room 209	8:30AM	Utilities Assistance	Room 209
12:30PM	Miriam Handbell Choir	Bell Room	1:00PM	Chancel Handbell Choir	Bell Room
4:00PM	Wesley III Bell Choir	Bell Room	5:30PM	Carillon Handbell Choir	Bell Room
4:00PM	Wesley II Bell Choir	Meyer Hall	7:00PM	Pack 241 Committee Meeting	Room 326
4:30PM	Advent Preparation	Room 401	7:00PM	Financial Peace University	Room 209
4:30PM	Chapel Choir	Choir Room	7:00PM	Sooner Toastmasters	Room 401
5:00PM	Wesley Choir Rehearsal	Meyer Hall	7:00PM	Eden Diet Support Group*	Room 222
5:30PM	Singles Bible Study/Dinner	615 E. Boyd	<b>Friday, October 2</b>		
6:00PM	CROP Kenya Dinner	Fenn Hall	7:15AM	S.I.C.	Offsite
6:00PM	Agape Handbell Choir	Bell Room	9:00AM	Children's Day Out	Room 102, 104
6:00PM	Youth Fellowship Dinner	Fenn Hall	12:00PM	High School Pizza Friday	Room 320
6:30PM	The Gathering	Fenn Hall	<b>Saturday, September 3</b>		
<b>Monday, September 28</b>			8:30AM	District Conference at Korean UMC	Offsite
9:00AM	Children's Day Out	Room 102, 104	8:00AM	Methodist Men's Breakfast	Fenn Hall
10:00AM	UMW #11	Offsite	8:30AM	Seniors Breakfast	Prairie Kitchen
12:00PM	Quilt Guild Work Day	Room 226	9:00AM	Toastmasters Division Contest	Meyer Hall
4:00PM	Wesley I Bell Choir	Bell Room	<i>*Child care Available</i>		
6:00PM	UMM Leadership Meeting	Room 226	<hr/>		
6:30PM	Care Team Meeting	Room 227	<b><u>One Last Day at Arbeka</u></b>		
7:00PM	Boy Scout Patrol Meeting	Room 329, 403	McFarlin's Oklahoma mission project at Arbeka (near Okemah) will take one more day to complete. Half of the shingles have been put on the roof for that small Native American church's outdoor shelter so there is only one half to go. Several have committed to go work Saturday, September 26 (weather permitting). Not all the work is on the roof, some will be needed on the ground to shuttle materials up to those on the roof. Plans are to leave McFarlin at 6 AM and return no later than 4 PM. If you can help and haven't already signed up, please call George Shepherd now at 596-2632 to let him know.		
7:00PM	COSI	Room 222	<hr/>		
7:00PM	Boy Scouts	Meyer Hall			
7:00PM	UMW #8	Offsite			
8:00PM	HS Bible & Basketball	Fenn Hall	<p><b>Did you know</b> it takes more than 500,000 trees to make the newspapers Americans read in one Sunday? Help save trees by recycling newspapers. You can also help by planting new trees!</p>		
<b>Tuesday, September 29</b>			<b>McFarlin Alive</b>		
11:30AM	Prayers for Our Church	Church Office	<b>Page 7</b>		
6:30PM	Celebrate Recovery	Meyer Hall			
6:30PM	Priscilla Shirer Bible Study	Room 227			
7:00PM	Disciple Bible Study III*	Room 226			
8:00PM	Men's Basketball	Fenn Hall			
<b>Wednesday, September 30</b>					
6:00AM	Men's Prayer Breakfast	Fenn Hall			
9:00AM	Children's Day Out	Room 102, 104			
9:30AM	UMW Circle # 5	Room 320			
10:30AM	With-God Group	Room 404			
3:00PM	Children's Choir / Discovery Time	Various			
5:15PM	Festival Bell Rehearsal	Bell Room			
6:15PM	Canticle Singers*	Choir Room			
6:15PM	Sanctuary Bell Choir	Bell Room			
6:15PM	Chapel Handbell Choir	Meyer Hall			
6:30PM	Emmaus Reunion*	Room 227			
7:00PM	Academy	Various			

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McFarlin Day & Boomerang Grill  
Sunday, September 27  
11 AM - Close, Main Street, Norman  
Tell them you are with McFarlin and a  
portion of what you spend will help the  
Student Ministries!

**College lunch is up and running!** Each week during the fall and spring semesters we serve lunch to between 60-100 college students free of charge. This wonderful ministry is made possible only through the generous donation of time and money that you provide. As in past years, much of the organization will come through Sunday School classes. If you would like to volunteer time or resources and are not part of a Sunday School class, please contact Randy Wade at the church: 321-3484, ext. 105 or by e-mail at [rwade@mcfarlinumc.org](mailto:rwade@mcfarlinumc.org).

## REBUILDING WHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP ENDS

Are you experiencing the agony of divorce? The pain of ending a relationship? The hurt of rejection? Then this divorce adjustment class is for your healing. Counselor Robin Wilmes will facilitate the class through the rebuilding blocks of denial, fear, loneliness, guilt / rejection, grief, anger to openness, love, trust, and freedom. The class begins Wednesday nights September 30 from 7 - 9 PM as part of the Fall Academy and lasts for 6 weeks. For more information, contact Harriette Leigh Kemp at 245-9874 or [hrleigh@cox.net](mailto:hrleigh@cox.net).

8:30 & 10:55  
AM  
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Traditional  
Worship

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