

Programs and activities for adults over 55, especially retired persons

Fall 2002

FROM YOUR CHAIRPERSONS

Melvin & Anita McIntosh



O SUMMER, SUMMER, SUMMER
WHERE HAVE YOU GONE?
Hot sweltering days,
Cool evening showers,
Dazzling morning sunrises,
Picnics in the park,
Walks on the beach,
Hikes on the mountain trails,
Swims in the pool,
Hitting the golf ball out of the rough,
And just relaxing in the porch swing.
O Summer, Summer, Summer

Everyone has a favorite season. Mine is summer. Thank goodness, what goes around comes around. All God's seasons have a purpose.

Where have you gone?

for us;

A time for play - Summer,

A time for harvest - Fall, A time for study - Winter,

A time for preparation - Spring

For the earth;

A time to be hot - Summer

A time for variety - Fall

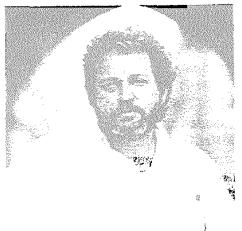
A time for quiet - Winter

A time to replenish – Spring

Enjoy God's grand seasons and count your blessings as they change, giving us constant joy and inspiration.

As Melvin and I complete our term as Chairpersons of Adults Plus, we remember the seasons of joy: Summer picnics, Fall retreats, Winter programs, Spring travels. Adults Plus is an exciting, creative and lively group, always supportive, always caring, and dependable. We have enjoyed being your leaders and look forward to continued fellowship and participation in the group.

Anita



Dr. James Tabor returns in January!

Adults Plus! participants first met Dr. James
Tabor on April 18, 2001, when he spoke on
"New Light on an Old Story: Archaeology and the
New Testament." Since that day many
have said, "Invite Dr. Tabor back sometime!"

We listened!

Dr. James Tabor will be our featured program speaker as we begin 2003 in the new facilities at Myers Park United Methodist Church on Wednesday, January 15, 2003. Mark your calendar <u>now</u> so you won't schedule anything else that day!

Dr. James D. Tabor is Professor of Christian Origins in the Department of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina of Charlotte, having taught there since 1989. He is considered an authority on Christian Origins and ancient Judaism, the Dead Sea Scrolls, John the Baptist, Jesus, James, and Paul. The national media, in connection with the Dead Sea Scrolls, modern apocalypticism and millennialism, often consults him. In addition, he has been extensively involved in digging into biblical history through archaeology in Israel for more than a decade.

One of his current projects is the Original Bible Project in which he is translating the scriptures from Hebrew and Greek into English while striving to allow the reader " ... to 'peer through' the English translation, and, to whatever extent possible, see, hear and even feel, the dynamics of the original text." The work in progress has been designated as the Transparent English Bible.

January's program promises to be one of the most interesting and exciting programs for Adults Plus! as we begin the new year. Mark your calendar and invite your friends to come with you at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday. January 15, 2003. Everyone is welcome to sign in for this program.



Your 'Feedback' Survey Needed at Council Planning Retreat

The Adults Plus! Council will be meeting at Merrywood on Park Road for their Nov. 8th Planning Retreat. By completing the enclosed survey, you will have an opportunity to share with your council members your suggestions for upcoming Adults Plus! events. You may turn in the completed survey at the Oct. 16th meeting or in the main office (Nancy Holmes' mailbox). Thank you for your input!



You are invited to participate in providing Emergency Relief Health Care Kits.

These kits contain the following articles:

Hand towels (Washcloth) Soap (wrapped bar) Comb MANN

Toothbrush **Toothpaste** Nail clippers 6 Band-aids

These items should be wrapped in the hand towel, tied with a cord or string, and placed in a one-gallon Ziplock bag.

If you prefer to buy one or more of the items in bulk instead of assembling the whole kit, you may do so. Please bring these to the October meeting of Adults

Plus!



UpcomingEvents *

Oct. 16th: Dannye Roamine Powell

Charlotte Observer columnist. Topic-"Ideas Over the Years"

Nov.20th: speaker TBA Dec.12th, trip to Old Salem

Jan. 15th; Dr. James Tabor, Prof. At UNCC

2003 Officers for Adults Plus!

Chairpersons - Bill & Marie Pearce Vice Chairpersons/Programs-Bill & Mabel Doser

Secretary - Jean Farris
Trips - Hubert & Nancy Wilson (assisted unofficially by Skip & Ruth Heintzelman) Missions and Ministry - Bob & Marilea Grogan

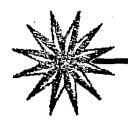
Publicity - Lee & Ann Morris Facilities - Wes & Ginny Soule Spiritual Life - Dick & Sallie Jenkins Historian - Don Redding Membership - Bill & Mary Roper

Staff - Barbara Barden



<u>'</u>hildren's Ministry

We are excited that Adults Plus! is largely responsible for the \$1,019.27 in the Lakota Children's Ministry account. It currently is being used for operating expenses for the Daycare and the Teen Meeting. In December, funds will also be used for the Christmas Meal and the "Feather Tree" Celebration where the gifts donated from MPUMC will be distributed.



TRIP TO OLD SALEM

Plan to join us for a wonderful holiday trip to Old Salem on Thursday,
December 12th. The day includes admission to the new Toy Museum, lunch at
Old Salem Tavern, attending the Old Salem Candle Tea, going to Dewey's
Bakery, and viewing Tanglewood's Festival of Lights.
We leave the church parking lot at 9AM and return by 9:30PM. The cost is \$42
and includes lunch, all admissions and transportation on a American Charter
Motor Coach (supper is on your own at the mall food court). Space is limited.
Call Nancy Holmes at 704-295-4815 to reserve your spot.

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