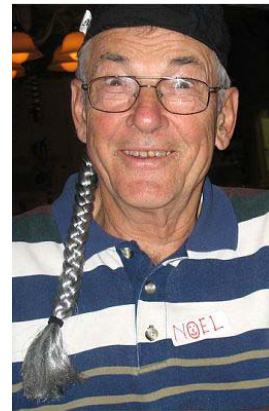
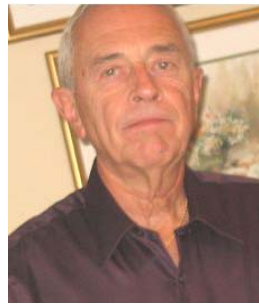




SINGLES FEATURE HAT CONTEST at January Party



and the "hat" winner is **Bev Blount**



MEMBERS OF OUR LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

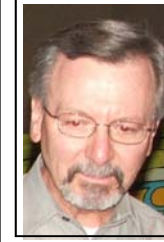
We are very proud of those who serve on the Leadership Council at Covenant UMC. Their responsibilities are the overall administration and programming for the church.

Listed here are our Council members and their area(s) of responsibility:

- Ida Carveth*, Adult Ministries
- Jon Domeij*, Assimilation
- Carol Faircloth*, Prayer and "Sacred Spaces"
- Kathy Freeman*, Co-Chair Trustees
- Rebecca Hyvonen*, Assistant Pastor
- Sue Macchiarella*, Administration/ Missions & Outreach
- Frank Mercer*, Council Chairman/ Worship / Lay Leader
- Vic Miller*, Co-Chair Trustees
- Paul Pollock*, Senior Pastor
- Leigh Slayback*, Worship & Music
- Donna Spencer*, Education and Youth
- Joan Varley*, Council Secretary & Attendance Records
- Gary Walker*, Staff Parish Committee Chairman
- Kay Wingard*, Missions/Outreach/ Ushers & Greeters

COVENANT TRUSTEES 2008

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| Pat Conway | George Holm |
| Kathy Freeman | Vic Miller |
| Bill Fricke | Richard Motley |
| James Harbour | Jack Weiler |



Ponderings With Pastor Paul

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The highest scores were in these categories:

"Loving Relationships" (79 out of 80), "Gift-oriented Ministry" (70), and "Passionate Spirituality" (69). Our lowest score (57 and still not far from 65) was "Inspiring Worship." We discovered that although we offer a wide range of worship styles in three Sunday services and one mid-week service every week, we're probably not "traditional enough" for traditional-type folks and also not "contemporary enough" for contemporary-type folks. Guess you can't please everyone !!

The District Coordinator for this survey said that very few congregations have scored so well on such a wide range of categories. Thank YOU, JESUS; ALL praise and glory to YOU, LORD!!! Just thought you might like to know !! It's good to be back.

With Jesus' JOY; Paul

BIRTHDAY PARTY HONORS JESUS! HALLELUJAH!

By Cecil Burnette

Thanks, Virginia (Haskett), for being the "chief cook and bottle washer" behind a highly successful "Happy Birthday, Jesus" party a couple days before Christmas 2007. (Virginia is the chef for a church in Jacksonville. She lives in Port Orange and attends Covenant UMC whenever she's in town).

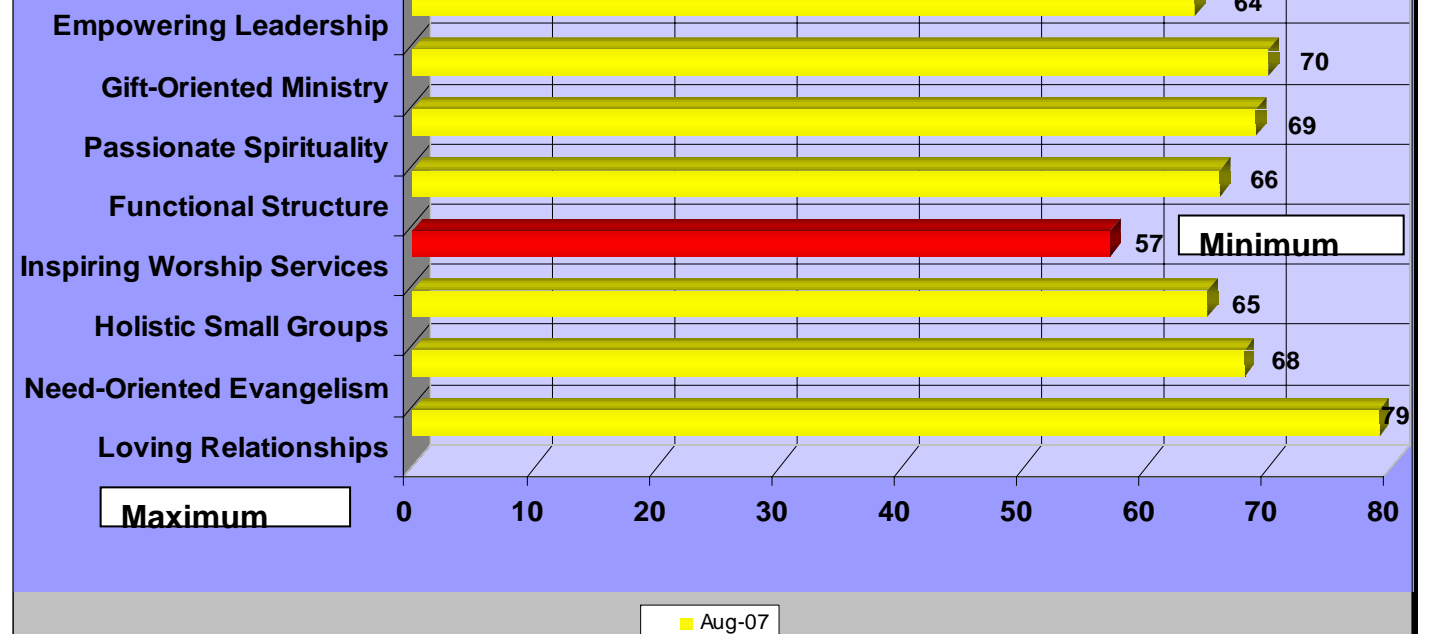
While having her car serviced at a local garage, she took the shuttle home and in the ensuing conversation, was asked to "cook for our congregation sometime." That was back in October. A few weeks later, she stated, "I'm about ready to cook something for our church now" Her offer was readily accepted and plans began formulating for the birthday party.

Like "loaves and fishes," the party was enjoyed by over 100 people who came to pay tribute to Jesus and enjoy the "reason for the season".

"We should make this an annual event" was one of the favorable comments forthcoming from one church official.

Thanks to all those who helped with this event. God knows who you are.

Covenant UMC



TRUSTEES CORNER:

The Trustees had their December Meeting on December 3, 2007. It was with regret that the Trustee's accepted the resignation of Patrick Tillou, who will be sorely missed.

The Trustees have received reports and plans from Gale Associates regarding CUMC roof repairs and from La Cour Company who is developing adjacent property. La Cour would like the Church to consider a possible joint venture to share drainage and material costs at the rear of our present parking lot. The bottom line would be to increase our land value and have approximately one acre of additional usable land. Discussions are ongoing and will have a lasting effect on the future growth of CUMC.

The Trustees have approval, from the Budget, expenses for a new Awning to be placed over the entrance to our Church Business Office and also a new pressure washer. Best Wishes to all servants at CUMC. Blessed in Christ.

James L. Harbour, Trustee

SINGLES HOST THE HOLY LAND EXPERIENCE



CUMC Single group invited all members of the church who would like to attend the Holy Land in Orlando. Pictured here are those who enjoyed a very special day.

Covenant United Methodist Church

Offers members and visitors three Sunday morning worship services and a Wednesday evening service, plus Faith Building Classes for adults and children

FAITH BUILDING CLASSES/ ADULTS & CHILDREN....9:45
WORSHIP SERVICE.....8:30, 10:00 and 11:00
SERVING A GROWING CHRISTIAN CONGREGATION

- Rev. Paul Pollock.....Senior Pastor
- Rebecca Hyvonen.....Assistant Pastor
- Leigh Slayback.....Director of Music Ministry
- Nate Mudge.....Sound Technician
- Donna Spencer.....Education & Youth Ministry
- Rick RosengrantMaintenance
- Jim Saucier.....Maintenance
- Sue Macchiarella.....Administrative Director
- Elaine Kinion.....Administrative Assistant

- MINISTERS -

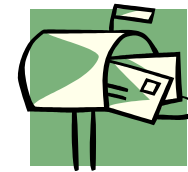
ALL PEOPLE OF OUR CONGREGATION

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FROM THE MAILBAG

Covenant UMC: Rebecca Hyvonen,

Do you know how special you are? Thank you for your prayers and beautiful flowers.

Helen Lehtiner

To: My Beloved Friends at Covenant,

The wonderful season of celebrating the birth of our Christ Jesus was a fantastic time of the year. Though I missed seeing all of you regularly, I was able to be at church during the week for various reasons and to come to some of the mid-week services as well as celebrate the season with the people at the VA, my family and my friends.

I appreciate you soooo much, for being there when the Directory pictures were being made. And, of course, my special appreciation goes to you ladies and gents that helped with the check-ins for photos; for your helping to locate pictures for our 20th Anniversary and all other special assistance given for our 2008 20th Anniversary Directory. We're almost ready to have it printed!

I feel I have a new ministry as the weekend receptionist at the Veteran's Home on Saturday and Sunday (1920 Mason Avenue). Please know that you are welcome to visit at any time. I am there weekends from 10am to 8pm. The veterans (and I) enjoy having new volunteers, entertainers or visitors come by. If any of you wish to schedule to sing or entertain the veterans, just call me. Or... call the Activities Director, Vicky, during the week...274-3460.

Thanks to loving friends like you, 2008 promises to be a spectacular year!

*Kitty Maiden,
Editor*

You are cordially invited to
COVENANT UMC ANNUAL
MISSIONS CELEBRATION DINNER
Sunday, January 13

1:00 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Rev. Nick Elliott
Enjoy a wonderful FREE lunch and view our displays as you fellowship with us
There will be a wrap-up presentation of the 2007 missions
and you will learn the plans for 2008 Missions.

(Love offerings will be accepted)

CHILDREN'S ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS

Sign up now for CAFA
which will resume on
January 15th.



CHOIR & PRAISE TEAM

Rehearsals resume
January 17
Praise Team 6:30 pm
Choir 7:30 pm



HOEDOWN CASUAL FUNDRAISING EVENT For

FAMILY RENEW COMMUNITY'S
HOMELESS FAMILIES with CHILDREN
Saturday, January 19 6:00—8:30 pm

The Palmetto Club—1000 S. Beach St. Daytona Beach
Live Band * Complimentary Wine * Light Buffet * Cash Bar
\$35.00 per person (reservations by check)

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