

May the peace and hope of
Christ's birth
be with you now and in the days ahead...

December Special Edition

Our prayers for you during this holy season is that in the midst of all of your responsibilities you may feel God's gentle touch on your hearts and find rest in His peace. It is our privilege to be in ministry with you and we look forward to the coming year.

In Christ's love,

Nancy B. Raskin
Ravonda Britt



Important Upcoming Events

District
Leadership
Conference

District
Clergy
Meeting

Year End
Statistical
Reporting

PLEASE SEE INSIDE FOR DETAILS ON THESE AND OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS...

****Please note... The District Office will be closed for Christmas December 26—January 1st.**

Vitality Toolbox

Salisbury District Leadership Conference

The Salisbury District Leadership team would like to invite each one of you to Jackson Park UMC Church. **Everyone** is Welcome! Child care will be provided. Classes are designed to equip you for vital ministries in your local church!



2PM—5PM

JANUARY 29,

- The Vital Work of Trustees
- Relational Evangelism
- Vitality in Worship
- Faithfully Introducing Technology into Worship
- Called to More...But what?
- Vital Prayer Ministry
- Vital Youth Program
- Vital Children's Ministry
- Vital Care for your Vital People
- Vital Local Missions
- Vitality in your Staff-Parish Committee
- Vitality in Finance and Stewardship

**JACKSON PARK UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH ,**

715 MABLE AVENUE, KANNAPOLIS NC

District Clergy Meeting



Jan. 30th-, 9:30am—lunch
China Grove 1st UMC
110 W. Church Street, China Grove

Vital churches have members and people from their surrounding communities who can give testimonies to the life-transforming witness and ministries of their church.

Leader: Rev. Jamie Hamrick, Senior Pastor of Rocky Mount in Troutman, recent recipient of the Harry Denman Evangelism Award

Year End Statistical Reports

“Statistical System opens for Local Church data input on January 9.”

The WNC Annual Conference Data Entry dates are January 9—31st.

The system opens on **January 9 for churches** to begin inputting their statistical data. You may access the stat reports

through the conference administrative website (www.wnccadmin.org)

The Conference will input (into the system) Conference and District funds collected (for 2011) on January 13.

The final date for entry for local churches, into the system, will be January 31.

More detailed information will soon be forthcoming about this, but please (as many of you already have) begin preparing immediately.

2011 Conference and District Apportionments

Friday, January 6th will be the Last Day that 2011 Conference and District apportionment payments will be accepted.

Your final payments and special offerings must be in the conference office by 3:00pm on Friday, January 6th in order to be applied to the 2011 year.

You may review your payments online (www.wnccadmin.org)

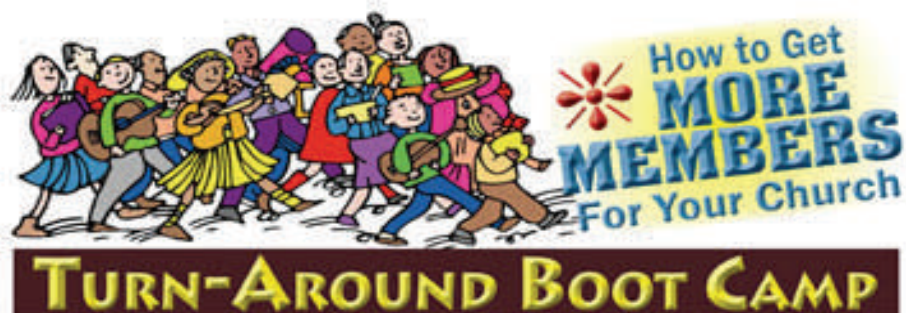
Any corrections also need to be made prior to the January 6 deadline. You may contact Dot McDaniels to make corrections (704.535.2260)



2011 Final Payment for Conference and District Apportionments, January 6.



Paul Nickerson



February 25-26, 2012

Children's Home

1001 Reynolda Road, Winston-Salem

Paul Nickerson, a senior associate of Griffith Coaching, offers a variety of consulting services for your Middle Judicatory or local congregation. Paul has more than 29 years of experience as a local pastor, judicatory leader and church consultant.

How to Get More Members for Your Church (also known as the Turn-Around Boot Camp) is an event designed for the Senior Pastor or Pastor-in-Charge of a church and three to nine lay leaders in the church. It provides practical help about the best practices of healthy, growing churches. You will come away from this event with an action plan about how to bring new people into your church in new and fruitful ways..

Register at: <https://www.cvent.com/events/how-to-get-more-members-for-your-church-turn-around-boot-camp-/registration>

How to Develop Tippers Into Tithers

Also led by Paul Nickerson, this workshop is for church teams of pastors and 3 members of finance and stewardship. **February 4, 2012, 2pm—5:30pm, Assurance UMC, Huntersville.**

This workshop will help church teams learn principles in giving, re-thinking motives for giving, re-thinking the Stewardship Letter and helping people grow in their giving.

Registration costs \$100 per **church team of 4**. Cost includes all materials and a copy of "Turning Tippers into Tithers." Deadline to register is January 20.

Register at <http://bit.ly/nf/dy2t>

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

PREACHER'S KID WEEKEND

join us at Camp Carolwood in Lenoir for
WNCC's PK Weekend

A time for you to...

- ...meet other preacher's kids**
- ...ask all your unanswered questions**
- ...meet the Bishop**
- ...have fun & be yourself**
- ...learn things about the church**

2 Weekends this year

FEBRUARY 19-21, 2012

For preacher's kids grades 9-12

FEBRUARY 24-26, 2012

For preacher's kids Ages 10 - 8th Grade

just for preacher's kids

Questions? **(704) 873-6162**