

May 23, 2011

Moderator's Annual Report

The Presbyterian Women's Coordinating Council met five times during the past year.

Bible study is a very important part of the life of our women. Our six circles met once a month, some for traditional Bible study and others for sewing or book reviews and lunch. We held three combined Bible studies last summer led by Dr. Coker, Dr. Toney, and Mr. Foley, on "Word of Life: Meditations on Favorite Bible Verses."

PW continues to host Sunday coffee after the 10:55 Worship Service.

The Presbyterian Women met and exceeded their approved budget for 2010-2011. The pledges received allowed us to meet all of our expenses, missions and projects as stated in our budget. The full report of activities is enclosed with this brochure, under the "We Have Served" section.

The Presbyterian Women of First Presbyterian Church have continued daily to worship, to study, to grow, to pray, to love, and to serve. It has been a privilege and a joy to serve as your moderator. May God bless each of you!

In His service,

Priscilla Hooks

Combined Circle Report 2010 - 2011

The members of the Presbyterian Women of First Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville, North Carolina, continuing in their glorification of God through their Bible study and their ministry for the church by participation in their circles.



All of the circles have participated in our monthly service projects.

Pledges were \$4,700, and all missions and projects were covered. Sixteen new ladies were welcomed into the church and assigned to a circle.

First Stitches has made baby caps for local hospitals, prayer shawls, dresses for Haiti, and cancer caps. All of the members of First Stitches are also in other circles.

Mother's Love focused on blessings and sharing.

Hannah members sponsor a child at Thornwell Home. One member also makes bouquets from the sanctuary flowers to give to others.

Besides their participation in their monthly service projects, members provided meals for special occasions and for bereaved families. Members have helped with Vacation Bible School in various capacities, studied inspirational books, and worked with the Advent Committee on the beautiful Christmas decorations. In addition, circle members have visited, sent cards and called others who are ill or infirm.

Many have hosted the Sunday coffee fellowship after the eleven o'clock services.

Some meet in member's homes, some at the church, and others at restaurants.

This in no way covers all of the many activities taking place each month at meetings and the extras in between.

Monday, May 23, 2011



Presbyterian Women Annual Gathering and Birthday Celebration



"I can do everything through Him that gives me strength."

— Philippians 4:13

We have served

Preparing a yearbook which –

- ☛ Places every woman in the church in a circle so that we can be of service to her, and she can be offered opportunities to serve others;
- ☛ Lists officers and committee chairmen;
- ☛ Gives addresses and phone numbers of all women in the church;
- ☛ Answers questions about our organization.

Providing the study book, **GENESIS: God's Grace from the Beginning**, for our circles. Some circles also choose other books to study. Presenting Life memberships to Lynette Ehler and Amy Cook and Service Awards to Ann Eller, Ann Highsmith, and Claire Mansfield.



Helping in many aspects of Vacation Bible School.

Taking responsibility for the Parlor and Historical Room furnishings and decorations.

Welcoming seven new babies of our members and



presenting them with their first Bible.

Providing Chapel flowers for the 8:30 a.m. service of worship when there were no memorial flowers and providing flowers for special receptions and occasions throughout the year.

Keeping a schedule of Sanctuary flower memorials.

Visiting homebound members and those who are experiencing sickness, grief or difficult circumstances and remembering them with cards, calls and flowers.

Providing meals for 15 bereaved families through our four comfort teams.

Remembering our college students with “care packages” and cards while they are away from home.

Participating in Mission Saturday work days.

Seeking leadership for Presbyterian Women.



Coordinating and decorating for the church luncheon honoring our seven high school graduates and presenting each graduate with a personalized Bible.

Providing a reception for the confirmation class on Palm Sunday.

Made and gave 9 baby blankets, 233 baby caps, 11 chemo caps, and 15 Christmas pillowcases. These were given to Friends of Children of Cape Fear Valley Medical Center and Womack Army Medical Center. We also made 7 prayer shawls, which are given to the Morning Prayer



Group to pray over and then given to Andy Foley to take to members who need some extra care and comfort. This year 150 dresses were made for girls in Haiti and were delivered by Dr. Coker and our mission team.

Remembering our departed women with a memorial service at our Annual Gathering.

Organizing church-wide collections for:

- ☛ Hungry Angelz
- ☛ Urban Ministries
- ☛ City Rescue Mission
- ☛ Agape Pregnancy Support Services
- ☛ Salvation Army
- ☛ Second Harvest Food Bank
- ☛ The Care Clinic
- ☛ Operation InAsMuch
- ☛ Stanton Hospitality House



Presbyterian Women serve as Elders and Deacons, Sunday School teachers, Vacation Bible School leaders, office volunteers, choir members, handbell ringers, Stephen Ministers, Lay Ministers, and participants in Haiti and Mexico mission trips.

All of this speaks of our love of God and our devotion to His church and its ministry to the world.