



PARISH LIFE NEWS

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PUZZLED?

Why do I sometimes see us listed as "Congregational Development" and at other times "Parish Life"?

"Parish Life" was initially called "Congregational Development" based on the recommendation of the Staff Task Force. We are Parish Life and this may need to be formally noted at Annual Conference '09.

What is Staff Lab and why is it now listed under Parish Life?

Like a light switch, it once was off and now it's back on!

Staff Lab is offered as a workshop opportunity in which local church staff (paid and volunteers) can receive tools and information and further their skills on how to conduct ministry more effectively within the local church. (i.e.: *Great Start for Pastors and Secretaries*).

I thought Bob Winstead was over the Nurture Team?

Bob Winstead is now serving as Chairperson of the Connectional Table. Debbby Fox is the new Chairperson of Nurture. She is the Minister of Education and Discipleship at Gainesville First UMC.

Who is the chairperson of Church Staff Development?

CeCe Nickolich has agreed to serve as chair of this area. She and her husband are a ministerial team at Ebenezer UMC in Conyers.

MEET YOUR PARISH LIFE LEADERSHIP TEAM



IRENE DAVIS
SECRETARY

IRENE ARMSTEAD-DAVIS:

Irene is originally from Avondale Estates. She has one brother and two sisters. She has been a Methodist for 45 years.

She is married to Milton Davis and together they have two children and three grandchildren whom she adores.

Irene is retired from Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and Lucent Technology, and the North Georgia Conference Office of Church Development. She serves the local church as the Evangelism chair, choir member, UMW parliamentarian, and usher.

Currently, she is Vice President of the Atlanta Decatur Oxford District United Methodist Women, and Local Parliamentarian.

Irene enjoys serving the Lord, outdoors, volunteering to help, and spending time with her daughter and grandchildren.

THERE WILL BE A SPECIAL EDITION OF PARISH LIFE NEWS IN PREPARATION FOR OUR FIRST TEAM MEETING.



JEANNINE SINGLETON
SECRETARY

JEANNINE SINGLETON:

Born the oldest of 3 girls, Jeaninne transplanted to Atlanta 22 years ago from New Jersey and now calls Atlanta her home.

She is married to Tony Singleton where they both worship and serve at Columbia Drive United Methodist Church. She is an active member in the Elijah Cox circle of the United Methodist Women, is also a certified lay speaker and serves as Lay Leader for Columbia Drive.

Jeaninne is also active within the Pathway East Emmaus and Chrysalis Community where she serves on the Emmaus board. She is also active in the Kairos Community.

Her passion is people! She loves to share God's Word and LOVE to others. She also enjoys listening to Gospel and Christian music.



How can PARISH LIFE effectively equip the local church through the 4 Focus areas:

CHURCHES:

HEALTH:

LEADERS:

POVERTY:

HEALTHY CHURCHES

HEALING PEOPLE

DEVELOPING LEADERS

ENDING POVERTY

OCTOBER 16th: PARISH LIFE TEAM MEETING – 6:30-8:30 PM –CENTRAL UMC