

calendar:

Jubilation deadline is April 1

GATLINBURG, Tenn. – Jubilation 2002 is the second annual event for senior adults in the Holston Conference. This year's focus is "Rejoicing, Reflecting, and Renewing" and will be held May 5-7 at Park Vista Hotel in Gatlinburg. The preacher is Bishop Richard Looney and worship leader is the Rev. Charles Maynard. Keynote speaker is the Rev. Eddie Fox. Costs, including meals and workshop materials, range from \$171 per person (four persons per room) to \$273 per person (one person per room). Registrations are due April 1. For more information, contact the Rev. Cecil Harville at (865) 767-2744 or cecjanhar@msn.com.

Wesley Woods benefit on March 14

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. – The Second Annual Friends of Wesley Woods Benefit Dinner and Auction will be held March 14, 6:30 p.m., at Cokesbury Center in Knoxville. Special guests are the Rev. Charles Maynard, associate pastor of the Sevierville Circuit, and The Faithful Men of Fairview UMC, Maryville. Tickets are \$35. For information or tickets, call (865) 448-2246 and ask for Louise.

World Day of Prayer on March 1

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide movement of Christian women of all traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year. It is sponsored by Church Women United with which United Methodist Women cooperate. For more information, visit www.churchwomen.org.

Wesley House banquet on March 14

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. – Deloris Jordan, parent of basketball superstar Michael Jordan, will be keynote speaker at the Wesley House's "Making of a Champion" Banquet Extravaganza at Hyatt Regency on March 14. The event begins at 7 p.m. and also features honorary guest Phillip Fulmer, University of Tennessee football coach. For more information, visit www.wesleyhouse.com or call (865) 524-5494. ■

people:

◆ **Evelyn Laycock** was unanimously selected as the lay 2002 Philip Award Recipient for outstanding leadership in evangelism at the 2002 meeting of the National Association of United Methodist Evangelists. The award will be presented to her at the meeting of the 2002 Holston Annual Conference in Lake Junaluska, N.C., in June.

◆ The General Board of Global Ministries and the United Methodist Church has commissioned **Nancy Hobbs** and **Randy Hildebrant** as Church and Community Workers in the Holston Conference.

education:

Association sanctions Hiwassee College for financial concerns



▲ The famed bell tower at Hiwassee College

by United Methodist News Service

Hiwassee College is one of six United Methodist-related schools recently sanctioned for financial and technical concerns by a regional accrediting body.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in Decatur, Ga., placed the colleges on probation, warning, or delayed affirmation. The denomination's University Senate and Division of Higher Education are working closely with those colleges to overcome the sanctions.

The association is the recognized regional accrediting body in 11 Southern states (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia) and Latin America for institutions of higher education that award associate, baccalaureate, master's or doctoral degrees.

The sanctioned colleges were named during the Jan. 17-18 meeting of the University Senate, an elected group of 25 higher-education professionals who determine what schools, colleges, universities and seminaries meet the criteria for listing as institutions affiliated with the United Methodist Church.

Hiwassee College, a Holston Conference-related school in Madisonville, Tenn., was sanctioned for 12 months for failure to comply with criteria of conditions of eligibility, institutional effectiveness and possessing sufficient financial resources to support all programs.

The other sanctioned institutions are: Bennett College, Greensboro, N.C.; Ferrum (Va.) College; Martin Methodist College, Pulaski, Tenn.; McMurry College, Abilene, Texas; and North Carolina Wesleyan College, Rocky Mount.

Many of the schools are making progress in correcting the financial and technical matters of concern by the association, according to Ken Yamada, staff executive in the denomination's Division of Higher Education, a unit of the Board of Higher Education and Ministry in Nashville, Tenn. Each college remains accredited and has from six to 12 months to dissolve the concerns and report to the association for review and action. ■

in memoriam:

Richard Hale

BRISTOL, Tenn.—Richard N. Hale, 72, died Feb. 1, 2002, in Bristol Regional Medical Center. He was a retired Holston minister, currently serving Hunt Memorial and Oak Grove United Methodist churches. The Rev. Hale is survived by his wife, Bina Elizabeth Clark Hale; daughter, Jane Rubin of Johnson City, Tenn.; son, Rick Hale of Bristol; three brothers, Lloyd Hale, Roy Hale and Thomas Hale; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Feb. 3 at St. Luke UMC with the Rev. David Lewis, Rev. Brenda Carroll, and Rev. Joe Green officiating. Interment followed at Mountain View Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to a church of your choice.

Dorothy Mayo

GREENEVILLE, Tenn.—Dorothy Hardin Mayo died Feb. 1, 2002, at Durham-Hensley Nursing Home. She was the wife of retired Holston minister the Rev. Douglas Mayo. In addition to her husband, Mayo is survived by her stepmother, Elizabeth Kivett Lamb of Sneedville, and several cousins. Funeral services were held Feb. 3 at Doughty-Stevens Funeral Home with the Rev. James Lively and the Rev. Robert Wilcox officiating. Interment followed at Oak Grove Cemetery.

Billie Mustard

BLAND, Va.—Billie Baker Mustard, 95, died Feb. 5, 2002, at Birdmont in Wytheville, Va. She was a retired Holston minister, having served charges in Grayson and Buchanan counties, among others. The Rev. Mustard is survived by three daughters, June Newberry of Bland, Va.; Joyce Durham of Bluefield, Va.; and Sue Chapman of Ashburn, Va.; one son, the Rev. Gerald Mustard of Romedal, Norway; 12 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild. Funeral services were held Feb. 9 at Byrnes Chapel UMC with the Rev. Donald White, Rev. Richard Gregory, and Rev. Gene Lovell officiating. Interment followed in Mechanicsburg Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Byrnes Chapel UMC or the UMC World Service Fund, c/o Betsy Newberry, Route 2, Bland, VA 24315. ■