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SPRING CLEANING IN THE TEMPLE **John 2:13-22**

Much happens in springtime: cherry blossoms bloom, birds appear, days become longer, people change from heavy clothes to lighter clothes. Springtime seems to be the time when cleaning takes place.

Jesus himself finds that the temple needs cleaning too. The purpose of His cleaning the temple: is to rid the temple from dirty smell from animal and things (like dove, cattle) that are selling to make money. The temple had become a market place that was no longer devoted to God but used for financial & business purposes. The moneychangers sat at the table. Money became the “Idol God.”

Some of us neglect to focus on the Word of God. For example, the love of sports can become a distraction from worshiping God, football in the fall and baseball in the spring and summer, even computer or video-phone (VP) daily.

If you know that your temple (house) is in a mess, it needs a cleaning and clearing out. We invite you to accept Jesus Christ, the “Mr. Clean” to come into your life with His “All Cleaning Power.”

By Rev. George Deford

**Let Him wipe away the deep down stain of sin
from your life and temple.**



OUR MISSION NEWS

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



The Soup Fest Event is in its fourth year and it has been a great success. It found us enjoying the fest, which offered various kinds of soups. There were some delicious snacks. Members of the church made all the soups and snacks. The flea market also took place alongside, and people certainly enjoyed the variety. We worked hard to reach our goal to raise the



Flo, Nina, Joan, Carolyn, Julia, Darlene, Evelyn, Alma

funds and **we did it!** The \$550 was raised. We wish to thank all of you who supported our soup fest and flea market and contributed to the goal. It was a mission worthy of

the fruits of our labor and we can hardly wait for the Fifth Year Event!

The Mission Committee is planning a Spaghetti Dinner to benefit Deaf/Blind Summer Camp @ West River this summer.



Cost: \$8.00 for adults

\$6.00 senior citizens & children (up to 12)

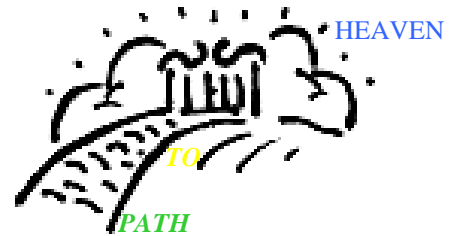
When: May 23, 2009

Time: 4pm to 7pm

All you can eat!!!!

Contact Rev. Leo Yates Jr. & Nina Gilbert for more information

Magothy UMCD welcomes Angela Reel as a new member!



Evelyn Pyles's older sister Jo passed away on April 7. She was 89 years old. She knew she was going to die. Her pastor asked her to write her favorite scripture and what she would want me to talk about at her funeral, when she was in the hospital. Jo wrote several scriptures that she wants other people to know about God & Jesus. Jo told her pastor, ***"Do not talk about me—get the word out about God and His son."*** Jo wrote on one note... ***"Love is lasting—you now belong to God who loves and gives you eternal life—now, that's real love—love that will last forever!"*** Then Jo wrote more ***"put love in action—What God wants us to do—to love God—to love others—to rest so we can do God's work"***

"She was very active in God's house, at UMW, at Rachel Circle, at Bible Study, at Church Dinner, at Sunday School, at Sunday Worship, she was one of Jesus' loyal followers. Jesus was her savior." her pastor said. She continued doing God's work until 3 weeks ago when she became ill. She was buried on Good Friday.

Her favorite scriptures were:
 Psalm 25:5, 119:105, 139:14
 2 Corinthians 4:17
 Isaiah 40:31
 Romans 12:11-13
 1 Peter 4:10-11
 1 John 4:15-16

THE HISTORY OF OUR MAGOTHY CHURCH

Beginning this issue, articles regarding the History of the Methodist Church will appear in our monthly newsletter.

The source of information for these articles is the writings of Pastor William T. Miller in 1989. He tells of our early history going back to 1777 and Magothy's progress (growth) to up to 1989.

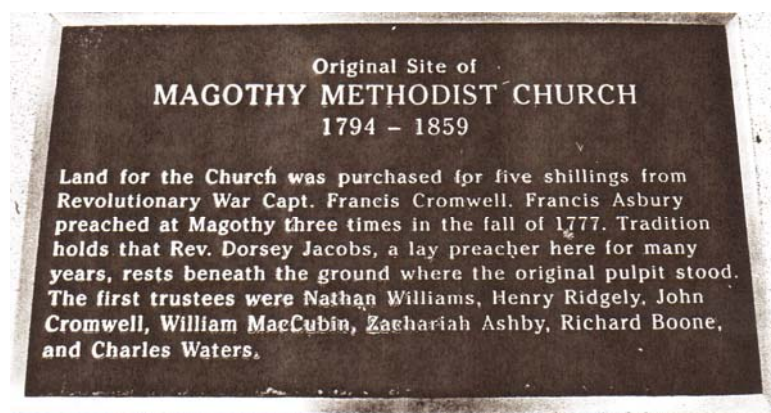
According to Rev. Miller, our church's records began in 1881 and many records were never found. However, in researching other materials, he came to a conclusion (end) that entries in the journal of Bishop Francis Asbury show evidence that Magothy was one of the first Methodist societies in Anne Arundel County and that Methodism began here at Magothy in 1777 through Asbury's labors.

In 1777 Bishop Francis Asbury succeeded in establishing (started) the Methodist Church in America. This was at the time our country was engaged (busy) in battle for independence from Great Britain during the Revolutionary War. He had worked relentlessly (continually) and let nothing get in his way, even after his carriage was fired upon near Annapolis.

The Bishop preached at least 3 times at Magothy. On August 27, 1777, he wrote "*....though it rained, I rode 25 miles to Magothy (from Garrison Church).... The next day, I preached at Magothy where the work of God goes on successfully.*" The final reference to Magothy spoke of a large of congregation, but that "some of our members have begun to backslide and the society stood in need of purging." That means he was disappointed with some of the members, because the group went back to their old ways and the group needed to be cleaned out.

During these times we had no church building. Small Methodist societies (people) gathered to worship in someone's home or they held "camp meetings."

Our next issue will tell more about "camp meetings" and our first permanent building.



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May

Fri 1 ASL Diner
Sun 3 S. S. & Worship
Tues 5 UMW Mtg @6:30pm
Sun 10 Mother's Day
S. S. & Worship & Holy Communion
Sun 17 S. S. & Worship
Sun 24 S. S. & Worship
Sun 31 S.S. Worship
after service Pot Luck



June

Fri 5 ASL Dinner
Sun 7 S.S.& Worship
Sun. 14 S. S. & Worship & Holy
Communion
Sun. 21 Father's Day
S. S. & Worship
Sun 28 S. S. & Worship
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S.S.= Sunday School