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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: SUNDAY, May 12, 2019

A PRAYER FOR MOTHER'S DAY

On this special day set aside to honor mothers we ask for a special touch from the Lord for each and every one of them.

May each mother **today** be granted a special blessing and may all of the work of her hands not be forgotten in Your sight.

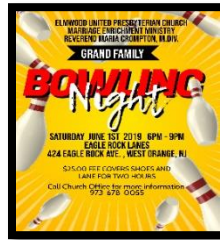
Let her example to her children be a guiding force in their lives, and may wisdom be passed down to the next generation of mothers. Amen

THE WOOD JEWELRY! Water Walking Women are you ready to show off your Elmwood pride?!?! The Water Walking Women are selling "The Wood" jewelry. That's right. Our new EUPC logo design in sterling silver earrings and necklaces. "The Wood" jewelry pieces are priced at \$20 and up. Stop by the Water Walking Women's table or Welcome Center immediately after service to purchase your "The Wood" jewelry or place an order for pick up. A deposit is required. We have a limited supply so do not miss out!!

WATER WALKING WOMEN 2019 DISCUSSION! Join with us for a provocative discussion that will explore themes of Becoming A Woman, A Wife, A Mother, A Friend, A Spiritual Woman and any other topic that can question your faith from May 6 – June 17th at Elmwood. You are asked to read the book *Becoming* by former First Lady Michelle Obama. The book is available for a cost of \$15. A light meal will be available @ 6:30 PM for a nominal cost of \$7.00. The discussion will begin at 7:00 PM. Stop by the welcome center for more information.



MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT BOWLING NIGHT! Join with



Marriage Enrichment Ministry for a Grand Night of Bowling on Saturday, June 1st from 6pm – 9pm at Eagle Rock Lanes, 424 Eagle Rock Avenue, West Orange, NJ. The fee is \$25 which covers shoes and lane for two hours. Call the church office for more information at (973)

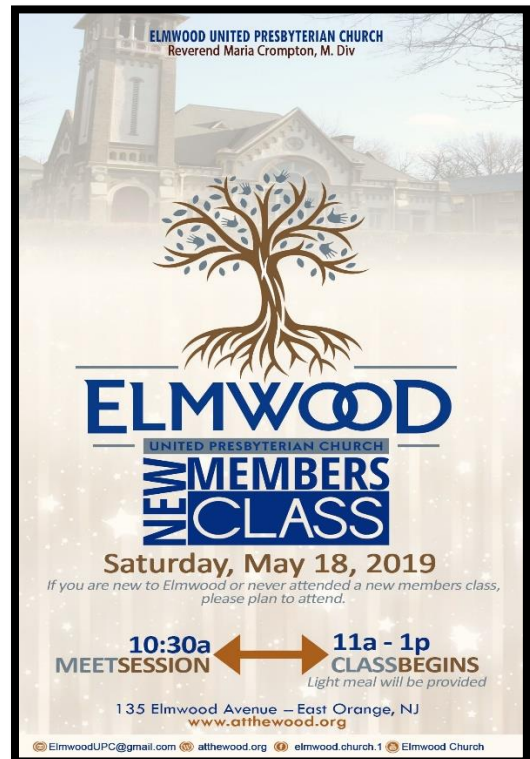
678-0055. ALL are invited!

VISIONARY TRAILBLAZERS WORKSHOP! You are invited

to attend a Financial Literacy Workshop on Saturday, June 8th from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. here at Elmwood. Deadline to register for the workshop is May 17th at visionarytb@gmail.com or call (973) 666-9479.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS! If you are new to Elmwood or never attended a new members class, please plan to attend.

on Saturday May 18th at Elmwood. You will meet the Session at 10:30 a.m. and the class will begin at 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A light meal will be provided. Stop by the Welcome Center to sign up.



MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT! The 31st Annual Marriage Enrichment Retreat to be held September 27 – 29, 2019 at the Woodloch Family Resort in Hawley, PA. The facilitators will be Rev. Timothy Levi Adkins-Jones and Dr. Amey V. Adkins-Jones. The cost is \$850 per couple. A deposit of \$100 is due now. For more information, stop by the welcome center. Or contact Valerie Best.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION!

The Elmwood Scholarship Application 2019 is accessible on-line at www.atthewood.org, and copies are available at the Welcome Center. All complete applications are due on, or before, **Sunday, May 26th**. **Late applications will NOT be accepted.** Good luck Scholars!



GOAL REPORT: 24 New Members and Growing!

Through the Rooted & Reaching Challenge, Elmwood strives to grow membership by at least 100 individuals who seek a connection to God and a church community. Thankfully, **24 new members have joined Elmwood since the beginning of the year!**

From our youngest new member who was baptized on her first birthday in April, to the five members of one family who all joined in January, to the guest who joined during her very first visit, to the person who was already familiar to the congregation, and the 16 others -- we say welcome! We are grateful for each and every new member who chose Elmwood as their church home.

Visit the Rooted & Reaching Wall in the Fellowship Hall to view photos of our new members. And, with 76 more to go, here are three simple actions we all can do to help Elmwood reach its 100-new member goal: 1). Invite someone to Sunday service; 2). Promote the church's programs and activities via your social media accounts; and 3). Tell somebody about your Christian journey and what Elmwood means to you.

FORGET-ME-NOT LIST*

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:

Johnnie Atkinson	William Holt
Barbara Barnes	Beverly Hunter
Bernice Barrow	Herbert Liverpool
Betty Brooks	Erna Marques
Ruby Brown	Jerilyn (Dusti) Neely
Almeta Cook	Karen Smith-Phillips
Harold Ellis	Teresa (Tess) Snell
Mary Mathis-Ford	Claris Williams
Carleen Holmes	Janel Bell-Shiver

HOSPITAL/NURSING HOME/REHABILITATION:

Father Agnes	Stratford Manor Care, West Orange
Katherline Cooper	Alaris HC, West Orange
James Daniels	Summit Ridge HC, West Orange
Gertrude Jacob-Waters	Brookhaven NH, East Orange
Hilda Kreps	White House NH, Orange
Jacqueline Lane	White House NH, Orange
James McCallum	Windsor Gardens, East Orange
Recie Nelson	Stratford Manor Care, West Orange
David Travis	VA Hospital, Lyons (<i>No visitors at this time</i>)
Vera Whitney	Elmora Hills HC, Elizabeth

PRAYER REQUEST:

Jackie Allen	Veronica Quinn
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Derek McGirt (mother)
 Aubrey Anderson (brother of Herb Anderson)
 Shirley Archia (mother of Deacon Audrey Sutton)
 Jasclyn Coney
 Louise Givens (mother of Michelle Herron)
 Thelma Green (mother of Carolyn Stokes)
 Angella Henry (daughter of Aubrey Henry)
 Claudette and Debra Johnson (mother/sister of Pat Johnson)
 Shelley King-Kamara (sister of RE Toni Green)
 Laura Jones/Clara McGriff (aunts - Jane Saunders/Susan Cooper
 Ronald and Mary Jones
 Winsome Myrie (daughter of Chris & Noel Smith)
 Bessie Sowell (mother of Gwen Fairley)
 Justin Stokes (brother of Arcia Stokes)
 Deborah Williams (wife of Mike Williams)

Hallelujah!

PRAISE REPORT:

Herb Anderson – home

The Pastoral Care Ministry is here to support you. Please call the Church Office at 973-678-0055 and select option #4 to leave a message.