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# Addressing the Shortage of Homes for Adults with Special Needs

**Visit Us in the Hospitality Suite - Room 202!**

## **South Carolinians Need Our Help**

More than 3,000 South Carolina middle-aged adults with special needs are living at home with aging parents or caregivers. Elderly, often frail parents have the double responsibility of caring for themselves and their adult child.

Their fears are genuine and often acute: Where will my loved one live when I am no longer able to provide care? Will my child be in a loving, nurturing place? Why are there not enough residential options in South Carolina?

## **United Methodists Put Faith Into Action**

In 2003, a group of parents took these concerns to the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. As a result, Aldersgate Special Needs was formed as a ministry of the Conference to confront the critical shortage of community and faith-based residences.

## **Our Ministry is Growing**

Aldersgate has chipped away at the need, but much remains to be achieved. Many South Carolinians are desperately waiting for an opening in a loving, caring, non-institutionalized home. Today, Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry operates six single-gender group homes throughout the Conference. We have the capacity to grow, and more homes are urgently needed.



**Aldersgate**

SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

*Providing Homes of Grace and Love*

**A Ministry of the South Carolina  
Conference of the  
United Methodist Church**

## How Can You Help?



Above all,  
**pray** for our  
continued  
success.  
The ministry brings  
long awaited  
peace and comfort  
to many families.



**Volunteer** at one of our  
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Givers and receivers will  
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**Support** us financially. Aldersgate Special  
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Help Us Grow



Explore Our History



***My people will live in peaceful dwelling places,  
in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest.  
– Isaiah 32:18***



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- ◆ Plan your activities, programs and retreats.
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- ◆ Supplement your day care and after school programming.
- ◆ Provide programming ideas for Family Nights, UMW and UMM meetings, outreach programs, short and long-term Bible studies.
- ◆ Inform confirmation and new member classes about the history of United Methodism, its beliefs and social principles.

All resources online with descriptions at  
[www.umcsc.org/resourcecenter](http://www.umcsc.org/resourcecenter)



# RESOURCE CENTER

We provide audiovisual aids and choral music to help with and enhance your ministry and educational programs. Resources are available for use in every local United Methodist church with services being extended to other denominations. We would like for your church/charge and district office to support the Resource Center through your membership and participation. Every minister, chairperson, Sunday school teacher, youth director, music director and group in your church will have additional resources to help them promote, educate and inform others about their area of concern.

Located in the United Methodist Center in Columbia, South Carolina, the Resource Center provides DVD's that cover almost every imaginable subject – Bible Study, youth programs, mission and stewardship, family growth, marriage enrichment, and spiritual development. Our music library provides seasonal music as well as praise and worship collections. We have resources for all age groups – from children to older adults.

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# Advocate.

SERVING SOUTH CAROLINA UNITED METHODISTS SINCE 1837



The *South Carolina United Methodist Advocate* is a print and online newspaper ministry committed to journalistic excellence and shining the light of Christ throughout South Carolina.

Founded in 1836 with its first edition on June 24, 1837, and currently the oldest newspaper in Methodism, the *Advocate* works closely with local churches and the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church to help tell the stories of the denomination in our state. It is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit monthly publication with full editorial independence and receives only one-sixth of its revenue from the Annual Conference.

The *Advocate* is the voice of the people of The United Methodist Church in South Carolina, transparently sharing news of relevance to people of faith around advancing knowledge, spiritual growth and discipleship.

## Our Mission

The *Advocate* strives to foster discipleship within South Carolina United Methodists by providing a variety of relevant news in various formats to bring followers to Christ.

## Our Vision

The *Advocate* strives to be the premier news source and voice for South Carolina United Methodists by building relationships through strategic partnerships and cooperation to remain top of mind and live into our purpose.



## **Our DEI Mission**

The *South Carolina United Methodist Advocate* is a news organization that values diversity, equity and inclusion as essential to our mission.

Acknowledging that all of God's people are designed in God's image (Genesis 1:27), and that all of God's people are worthy, beloved and valuable, the *Advocate* cares deeply about this issue. We also acknowledge South Carolina's long history with slavery and racism, especially noting that the *Advocate* itself started in 1836 as a way to provide a "southern voice" on the issue of slavery and other political issues of that time.

However, today we hold much value in the inclusive, equitable and diverse nature of the *Advocate*, including a strong commitment to non-discrimination based on age, race, gender, ethnicity, disability, national origin, sexual orientation and political persuasion. It is also the policy of the *Advocate* to comply with The United Methodist Church's non-discrimination policies. We strive for board diversity, with half of our board comprising clergy and half laity, and we strive to have an equal mix of board members in terms of race, gender and geographic location. We also strive to include diverse voices in our news coverage.

Diversity, equity and inclusion is an ongoing priority. We are continuing to seek new ways to create a culture of inclusion and holding ourselves accountable at every level.

## **Our Core Values**

### **Communication**

Making yourself heard and making sure you hear others. Companies that value communication are impeccable messengers and content creators. They play importance on forming and maintaining relationships with stakeholders through conversation and involvement.

### **Factualness**

Displaying and promoting accuracy, truthfulness and validity in an unbiased way.

### **Honesty**

Sincere, truthful and right. Companies that value honesty never try to skirt the truth, whether it be in owning a past mistake or in recognizing and embracing an unavoidable shift in the industry.

### **Integrity**

Honest, ethical and accurate are terms to describe companies that value integrity. These companies will never do wrong by their customers and want to have the term "trust" associated with their organizations.

### **Openness**

A willingness to embrace new information or ideas and change as a result of their validity and relevance. This value does not clash with other values—such as committed or disciplined—if the openness does not detract from the organization's mission and purpose.

### **Responsibility**

The recognition and taking of ownership when the situation calls for it. Organizations have a responsibility to those that keep their doors open by following through with any promises made.





**AdvocatePress**

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## **Meet the Author/ Book Signing**

**Tuesday, June 10 • 12-2 p.m.  
Greenville Convention Center  
Room 202C**

**(Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry's Hospitality Room)**

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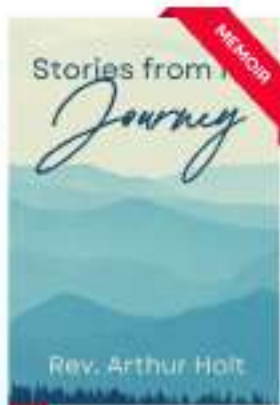


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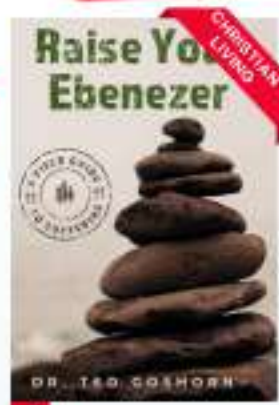
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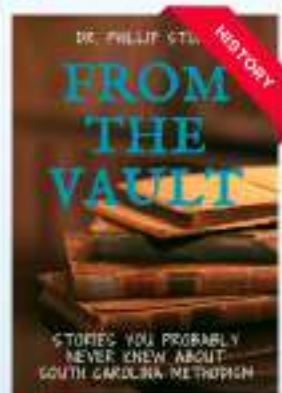
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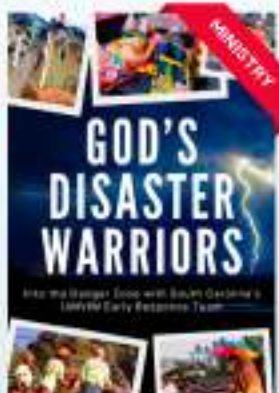
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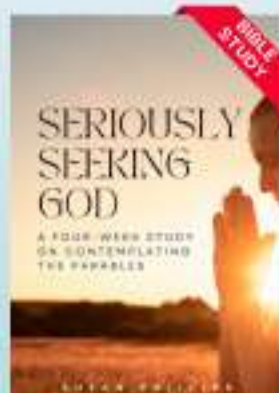
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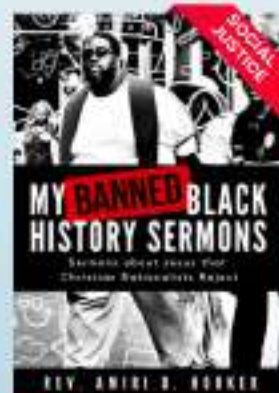
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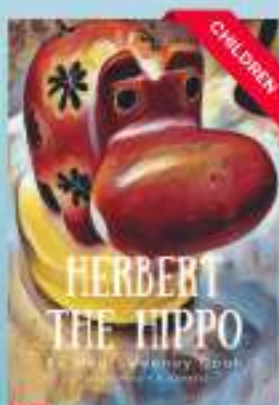
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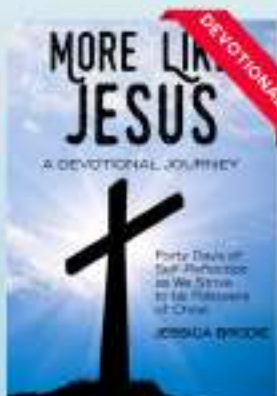
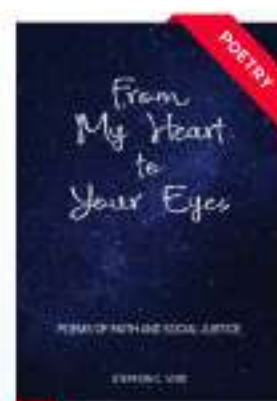
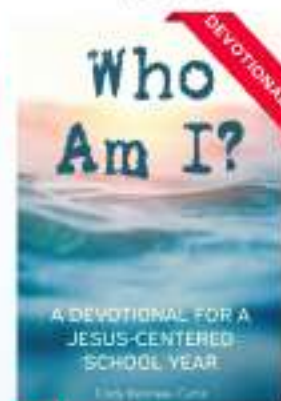
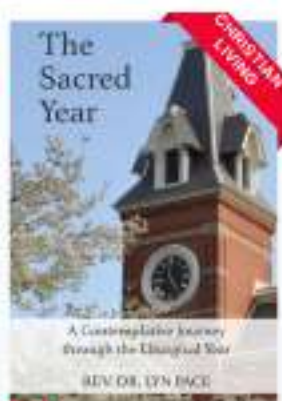
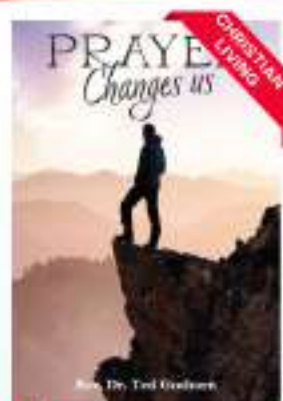
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6:30pm-8:30pm



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The Advocate is doing some market research, and we need your input! Please join us at your district's event where we will discuss what we do, what our goals are for this research, and your thoughts about what we can improve/change, etc.

## Upstate – 2nd Quarter

June 24th – Greenville  
Open Hearts UMC

## Pee Dee – 3rd Quarter

July 15th – Florence  
Lake City UMC  
August 26th – Hartsville

September 30th – Marion  
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