

April 21, 2010

Dear Current and Former Lodi Community Members:

The Lewis Chapel United Methodist Church has been a pivotal part of the Lodi community for many years. And it is with that thought that we reach out to all current and former residents of the community to look back upon the gatherings of family and friends and the wonderful times of fellowship and worship that we had at the church.

We seek your help to assist us in contacting family members scattered around these United States of America to encourage them to return to their former homeland for our annual Homecoming which is a program designed to raise money for the Cemetery and for its upkeep and grooming. This is also a time to bring family and friends back home to remember just how far God has truly taken us in this journey called life. We remember those who have gone on to be with the Lord and we recognize their contribution to their community and this church.

We would also like to make Sunday, August 01, 2010 the biggest and best Homecoming we could possible make it with your help and participation. We are searching for family descendants of Lewis Lambert who our church is named, along with Christopher Barnes, Adam Moss, and Washington White, who were all church trustees. If any one know how to reach descendants of Curtis Weaver, Joe Houston, Malachi Criss, L.C. McIntosh, Lafayette Jefferson, James Houston, Colbert McIntosh, M.J. Jordan, James Bennett, Johnnie Williams, Oscar Perry, Prentiss Smith and D.V. Jackson please have them contact us as well. We would also like to get in touch with descendants of Anna McIntosh, Carrie J. Sims, Bessie Darty, Pearl Criss, Roxie Reed, Cora Houston, Ima Jefferson, Katie Butler Watts, Hattie Tyson, Sally Bell, and Hattie Reed. We also want to hear from all former Pastors that are still alive, but if not, maybe a representative of their family could come and possible participate in the program.

So if you know of any descendants this letter may not reach, please feel free to copy or forward it to them with our thanks and appreciation, or they may contact one of the committee members or task team members listed below.

Thank you all so much and we look forward to seeing you all. Let us come together in Christian love and let us Worship, and Fellowship one with another.

In His Service,

The Cemetery Committee

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