



UCMAC

P. O. Box 502
Abbeville, SC 29620

Summer 2023 Edition

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Mailing Address

P.O. Box 502
Abbeville, SC 29620

**United Christian Ministries
of Abbeville County**



**UCMAC Location
101 Center Street**

Free Medical Clinic

864-366-0365
864-828-0987 Cell
864-366-6526 Fax
ucmacfmc@wctel.net

FREE MEDICAL CLINIC

Tuesday, 10am-4pm Intake
Tuesday, 5:00 pm Sign-in

Tuesday appointments begin at 5:30 pm. Please arrive prior to your appointment time to be seen by the doctor.

FOOD PANTRY

Must meet eligibility guidelines

**Abbeville
Fridays**

9:30 - 11:45 am
Main Street United
Methodist Church
300 North Main St.
Mike Shirley 379-1233
Can receive food every 4 weeks

Calhoun Falls*

1st and 3rd Thursdays
3 - 5 pm
403 N. Washington St.
Next to City Hall
*Calhoun Falls Residents Only
Jane Hayes 934-6292
Can receive food every 4 weeks

Lowndesville*

3rd Wednesdays
9:30 - 11:30 am
416 Main Street
*Lowndesville Residents Only
Harold Campbell 378-2569
Can receive food every 4 weeks

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United Christian Ministries
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A non-profit organization made up of member and supporting churches in Abbeville County



Emergency Assistance, Food Pantries & Free Medical Clinic of Abbeville County

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Board of Directors

Riley McLane, Chairman
Pat Hodge, Vice-Chairman
Niki Bowie, Secretary
Jeff Lewis, Treasurer

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Anita Butler
Harold Campbell
Faye Crocker
Shari Fulmer
Lester Galloway
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Meet the New UCMAC Board Members

From left to right: Lester Galloway, Niki Bowie, Harold Campbell, Anita Butler, Shari Fulmer, and Jeff Lewis

Lester Galloway lives in Abbeville and has worked as a Police Officer and for the City of Abbeville as Public Utilities Supervisor. He is employed with the natural gas company, Dominion Energy and is very active in the Community.

Niki Bowie is a native Abbevillian whose life in 2022 took a turn and she entered the medical field at AAMC. She is Certified in Mental Health First Aid and has continuing ed. certificates in Overdose Prevention and Rising Challenges and Unmet Needs in Communities.

Harold Campbell is an educator with 37 years of service and retired as Superintendent of Anderson School District 3. At present he is the coordinator of the UCMAC Lowndesville Food Pantry and served on the very first UCMAC Board.

Anita Butler has a Masters in Nursing and was President of Spartanburg Hospital for Restorative Care for 24 years until retirement. She is a member of the American College Healthcare Executives and is Abbeville Area Commissioner for Piedmont Technical College Board.

Shari Fulmer is the Discipleship Coordinator for Main Street UMC. She has a Masters and is a licensed Professional Counselor. She spent 8 years as Program Director for a homeless housing and community life program at a subsidized housing property in Augusta.

Jeff Lewis graduated from Clemson with a Management degree and is Vice-President in sales for Mec-Tric covering upstate SC and a portion of GA. He is very active with AHS football and youth athletics. He has served on the Abbeville Planning Commission.

UCMAC is so blessed to have all the individuals who share their time and talents as Board Members to further the Mission of this organization.

Supporting Churches

Abbeville ARPC*
 Abbeville Pentecostal Holiness
 Abbeville Presbyterian *
 Bells United Methodist *
 Beulah Baptist
 Calhoun Falls Church of God*
 Calhoun Falls Pentecostal Holiness*
 Calhoun Falls Presbyterian *
 Calhoun Falls United Methodist *
 Campfield Baptist *
 Cold Spring Chapel *
 Cold Springs Mennonite
 Due West ARP. *
 Fairfield Baptist
 First Baptist, Abbeville *
 First Baptist, Calhoun Falls *
 First Creek Baptist, Iva
 Glovers AME, Calhoun Falls *
 Grace Chapel AME *
 Grace United Methodist*
 Greenville Presbyterian, Donalds *
 Haigler Street Church of Christ
 Kingdom Life Training Center
 Lake Russell Baptist
 Lighthouse Ministries
 Little Mountain Presbyterian *
 Lowndesville Baptist *
 Main Street United Methodist *
 Midway Baptist
 Mount Olive Church of God Holiness, C.F.*
 Mt. Calvary Baptist
 Mt. Olive Baptist *
 Mt. Pleasant Baptist*
 New Faith Presbyterian*
 New Hope Baptist, Due West
 New Hope Presbyterian *
 New Life Worship Center
 Northside Baptist, Calhoun Falls *
 Providence Presbyterian, Lowndesville*
 Rice Memorial Baptist, Greenwood
 Sacred Heart Catholic *
 Shady Grove AME
 Sharon United Methodist *
 Smyrna United Methodist, Lowndesville
 Springfield Baptist, Calhoun Falls *
 Solid Rock Community, Calhoun Falls *
 Southside Baptist *
 St. James AME
 St. Paul AME
 The Renaissance Church, Due West *
 Trinity Episcopal *
 Upper Long Cane Presbyterian *
 Warrenton Presbyterian
 Willington Presbyterian
 * Member churches with agreements on file

Pastor's Corner

I lift up my eyes to the hills.
 From where does my help come?
 My help comes from the Lord,
 who made heaven and earth.
 He will not let your foot be moved;
 he who keeps you will not slumber...
 The Lord will keep you from all evil,
 he will keep your life.
 The Lord will keep
 your going out and your coming in
 from this time forth and forevermore.

Psalm 121:1-3:7-8

I was once questioned by the FBI because one of my college roommates was hired for a position at the White House on the Vice-President's photography team. Such a position meant they had to thoroughly investigate his life, and talk with anyone who had ever had anything of consequence to do with him. We were only roommates for a about 6 months but I had to meet with an FBI agent and share everything I knew. I had to answer every question posed to me with as much detail as I could give in order to help provide the highest level of protection for the Vice-President and ultimately for the President of the United States.

That got me thinking about all that goes into protecting the president and how many people "guard" the president when he travels. That is an almost impossible question to answer. The reason is because whenever the president travels a Secret Service security team goes into action months ahead of time. They pour over every possible detail in order to anticipate every possibility. The involve all levels of law enforcement. The work of protecting the president is not about how many people are surrounding him as he gets off Air Force One or how many walk with him into a building. His protection is practically speaking beyond measure, beyond the possibility of one mind to comprehend. The thoroughness of such an endeavor would be impossible except that thousands of people are working on it constantly. His protection is always top priority.

Now, that's pretty amazing, but the writer of Psalm 121 would say that as great as that level of protection is it doesn't come close to the protection we receive. Psalm 121 is all about how the Lord is not only the one who made the heavens and the earth, but He is the One who protects us each and every day of our lives. He is to his people a source of protection greater than anything the secret service, or any body guard could offer. He's the one who sees the end from the beginning. He can and does protect us like no one else.

Now, having said all of that, we all know the Lord's people come to all manner of physical harm. There have been lots of people who have died while serving the Lord. Some from persecution, and some from disease and illness. That didn't mean the Lord wasn't watching over them. He was in fact watching over their life, their going out and coming in even as they joined that great cloud of witnesses in the heavens. He was and continues to be their great shepherd, and He is our strong tower of refuge. He is our strength. Where does our help come from? Our help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. I hope as you consider your life and service you'll remember God's great protection over you.

**God Bless You,
 Brandon Fulmer, Main Street UMC**

Time on your hands?

What are you doing here, Elijah? If the LORD is posing that question to you, we invite you to share your skill and talent for good. UCMAC Free Medical Clinic is seeking volunteer nurses, medical assistants, and front office/administrative assistants willing to give their time, energy and expertise in helping impact the uninsured, underserved lives in our community. If you are interested in making a difference give us a call today about supporting our mission at 864-366-0365, email ucmacfmc@wctel.net, or website www.ucmac.net.



Food Pantry News

The Food Pantries have recently received generous donations which have greatly improved the food pantry inventory. The **Salvation Army of Greenwood**, through Second Harvest, donated 2 large truckloads of food and the **Post Office Letter Carriers Food Drive** collected 2200 pounds of food. A big Thank You to the letter carriers for all their hard work in collecting the food. Also, thanks go out to the 19 volunteers, which included a group of Youth from Abbeville First Baptist, who assisted with sorting, packing and transporting the food to the food pantry.

UCMAC NUMBERS as of 3/31/23

Food Pantries	Free Clinic
Food boxes distributed 699	Rx Purchased 362
Donated food value \$12,279	Clinic visits 67
Food purchased \$5196	Dental visits 6
Pounds food distributed 17,475	(value \$3,982)
	\$\$ spent \$5,754
Donations/Grants/Income Received	Emergency Assistance
\$30,417	Clients seen 120
Administrative Expenses	Housing assistance 16
\$8,638 (28 % of income)	Utility assistance 70
Capital Improvements	Other assistance 23
\$0.00	\$\$ spent \$42,649

Volunteer Hours 2023 - 1286

Give A Gift

Consider a donation to UCMAC to honor your loved ones and friends by giving a gift that will provide assistance to so many in need during these difficult times.

Memorial gifts are also a wonderful way to remember someone special in your life.

I would like to give a gift
 ___ in Honor of ___ in Memory of
 Name/s _____

Acknowledge to:
 Name _____
 Address _____

Person/s making donation: _____
 Address: _____

An acknowledgement will be sent on your behalf, if requested. You may mail donations to:
UCMAC, P.O. Box 502, Abbeville, SC 29620.
 Donations tax deductible to the extent allowable by Federal Law.

Gifts given to Honor

**Elizabeth S. Foster
 Ben & Linda Cobb
 Sallie H. Newman**

by
 John, Linda & Brian Jackson
**Perry Murray
 Claude Jackson
 John H. Jackson**

Robert New

by
 Linda Jackson
Earline & Wayne Sears

by
 Myra Keith
Jane Agan & Ed Evans

Riley & Carolin Ann McLane

by
 June & Rayford Prince
**Riley & Carolin Ann McLane's
 25th Wedding Anniversary**

by
 Buddy & Jeannie Agan

Memorial Gifts

Debbie Melone
 by
 Joyce Melone
Linda Briggs
 by
 James Briggs
Billy Ware
Agnes Campbell
 by
 Cheryl & Chris Shirley

UCMAC could not care for Abbeville County citizens in crisis without the regular support of our member churches. Become a New Member Church today.



Furry Friends Food Pantry

Thanks to those of you who have been making monetary donations to the Humane Society for food and for the food donations. It has been a true blessing to the families with pet-

