

# Wesley Memorial Methodist Church

A Global Methodist Church

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## Wesley Ministries Spotlight "Earth Stewards"

This ministry was started after a praise comment in worship which led to a response from a fellow member, then to discussion of ideas and goals. We later met as a larger group to identify an initial focus. We reach out to members with experience, knowledge, resources, and talents. Several people step up to offer help in their area of giftedness.



Over time we have watched videos, a documentaries, heard experts talk about water quality, learned about county recycling, created a booklet from members' stories and photos, gone to a garden, a state park and paddled on the river. We have a small crew that regularly does roadside cleanup. We have planted trees and a birdhouse on the church property, with plans to do more trees and clear an overgrown area for congregational use.

Members tell us: "I'm more aware now and have begun buying smarter and recycling." "For church meals, we will minimize the use of styrofoam and reuse food containers." "Our Bible and book studies have added to our awareness of God's love for creation and all the marvels of nature."

