

## **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SINCE 1948**, Virginia United Methodist Homes, Inc. has been giving financial assistance to residents who are unable to meet the full cost of their care. In 2011 the cost providing benevolent care for deserving residents will be nearly \$900,000 which amounts to an average of \$108 a day for those receiving assistance. Adopt-a-Day today and make your gift to the Samaritan Offering.

**LIFE** in a United Methodist-related home is what residents have when they move into a community of Virginia United Methodist Homes. Some need financial assistance when their personal resources no longer meet the full cost of their care. Your gift today to the Samaritan Offering helps to meet that need.

**WHEN YOU GIVE** to the Samaritan Offering, you are giving direct care to deserving residents of one of the Virginia United Methodist Homes communities. All gifts provide benevolent care. No Samaritan funds are used for operational, capital or administrative costs. Give today and help ensure someone's personal security and peace of mind.

**SAMARITAN GIFTS**, which are received from Mothers' day, May 8<sup>th</sup>, to Father's Day, June 19<sup>th</sup>, may be designated for any of the seven Virginia United Methodist Homes communities. Undesignated gifts are used where the need is greatest. Both designated and undesignated gifts have the same purpose: *to provide financial assistance to a resident whose ability to pay for care has been diminished.* Make your gift today.

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### ***PRAYER FOR DEDICATION OF THE SAMARITAN OFFERING***

*O God, our need to give is greater than your need to receive. Yet, we know that our gifts are more pleasing to you when they are used to help others. Out of our own abundance, we give these gifts so that others may face the future with a sense of security and peace of mind. Bless our giving and their receiving. In your name. Amen*