

Conley's UM Church Presents Living Nativity

Conley's United Methodist Church in Angola, Delaware, will present its Living Nativity on Friday and Saturday, December 16th and 17th. This is the eleventh year for the event which has become a local Christmas tradition. It will take place off Camp Arrowhead Road in Angola from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Admission is free, and there will be ample free parking. Golf carts to help the handicapped will be available each night. All donations of cash and canned goods go to local charities. There will be Christmas music in the church sanctuary both nights, provided by church member and invited guests. The Saturday evening service on December 17th will start at 4:30 PM and include special music by the Reminders. The Reminders will also play during the Living Nativity starting at 6:30 PM.

The Living Nativity is a way for people to remember the birth of Jesus by walking through a recreation of the village of Bethlehem. The pageant will include seventy-five actors portraying angels, the innkeeper, the wise men, shepherds, townspeople and even Roman soldiers complete with chariot.

Last year over one thousand people visited the Living Nativity. The money and food donated helped area charities and needy families. These organizations included the Crisis House, the Home of the Brave, the Henlopen Food Pantry and local shelters. The church

makes no money on this event. The scenery, costumes and children's' gifts are created or donated entirely by members of Conley's UMC.

In addition to the Living Nativity, Conley's Church will have four candlelight worship services on Christmas Eve, Saturday December 24th. The services will be at 4:30 PM, 6:30 PM and 11:00 PM at the new church on Jolyns Way, and at 8:30 PM at the old Chapel on Robinsonville Road. There will be two services on Sunday December 25th at 8:45 AM and 10:30 AM.

The Conley's UM Church and the Living Nativity are located at 33106 Jolyns Way off Camp Arrowhead Road. This is a half-mile from Peddler's Village shopping center on Route 24. Signs will direct you to the parking area. Conley's Chapel is located at 22150 Robinsonville Road, one-half mile from the Angola traffic light on Route 24. The Angola traffic light is five miles west of Route 1 and three and a half miles east of Long Neck Road. From either direction, turn on to Robinsonville Road, the church is one-half mile from Route 24. The church's phone number is (302) 945-1881, or visit www.ConleysChurch.com.

Conley's UMC regular worship times are 6:30 p.m. on Saturday nights and 8:45 and 10:30 on Sunday mornings. There are also active prayer and Bible study groups, as well as women's, men's and youth groups.