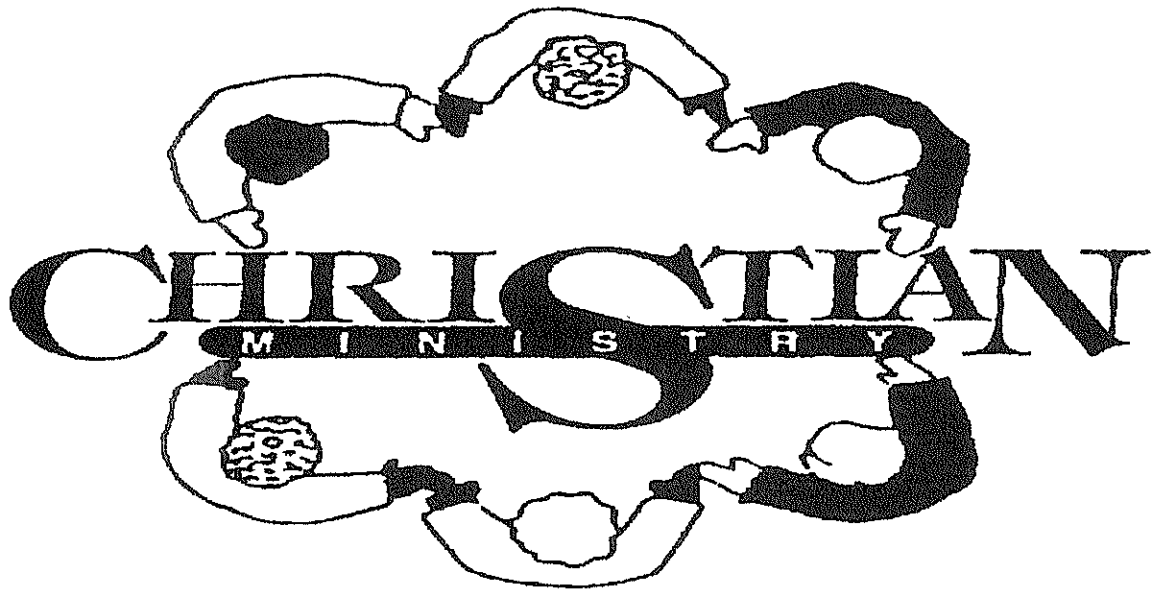


2023

ANNUAL REPORT



OF LINCOLN COUNTY, INC.

“Working Hand in Hand with the Lord”

46th Anniversary

1977-2023

**The Annual Report is in Dedication and Memory of
the life and work of Susan B. Brymer.**

**She faithfully served Christian Ministry from
1986-2017**

Susan Brymer
May 3, 1953 – December 19, 2023

“The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart”

- *Psalms 34:18*

In 1986, the ministry was 9 years old, had a budget of \$92,200, and was operating in several locations. The soup kitchen at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, the pantry and administrative office at 107 North Cedar St., and the LINC Home Delivered Meals office was located in the First Presbyterian Church.

In August of 1986, Susan Brymer was hired as the LINC Home Meals Coordinator. By 1989, she had moved into the Executive Director position. In my opinion, one of the most pivotal moments in the ministry’s history.

Susan led the way in growing the ministry into what it is today, a place that meets the basic needs of the less fortunate in our community. In 1991, the ministry moved to 230 E. Water St. so it could house all its operations in one building. In 2001, the ministry expanded to include the buildings at 207 S. Poplar St. From helping 3,993 homes in 1986 to helping 8,964 families in 2017. In 1986, the ministry offered a meal Monday - Friday, a box of food to take home, and spent \$64,234 in emergency services. By 2017, the ministry offered a meal every day of the year, a grocery cart of food to take home, spent \$97,996 in emergency services, household items, and showers & laundry facilities for those in need.

One of Susan’s favorite times of year was Christmas. Under Susan’s leadership, the Christmas Ministry grew from giving out used toys, to giving out bags of new toys and wheelbarrows of food. This year, the Christmas Ministry is in memory of Susan.

Susan taught by example. She showed those around her how to be a compassionate Christian leader. I was so fortunate to have been able to work with her. The biggest thing she taught me... That this is God’s ministry and He will always keep a hedge of protection around it and take care of it. I just need to go to Him for guidance.

Mitzi Williams

Executive Director
Christian Ministry of Lincoln County

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WEBSITE- www.christianministryoflincolncounty.org



Executive Director.....	Mitzi Williams
Administrative Assistant.....	Angie Pooley
Emergency Services Coordinator.....	Bobbie Grant
Emergency Services Assistant.....	Betty Leonard
LINC Home Meals Coordinator.....	Mimi Rhyne
Bookkeeper.....	Sandy Gantt
Soup Kitchen Coordinator.....	Regina Maier
Building & Resource Coordinator.....	Richard Ballard
Coordinator of Volunteers.....	Woody Saunders

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

- A. To express through fellowship, study, and service, the essential unity of the church.
- B. To provide an interdenominational agency for cooperation among the churches; which may achieve more effectively the objectives of the Christian Faith.
- C. To study the opportunities for Christian witness and service in the community and propose plans through which these opportunities can be met.
- D. In perspective of the general inclusiveness of A, B and C above, (which are the purposes stated in the Articles of Incorporation), it is the understanding of Christian Ministry, at this time, that our purpose is to seek means of serving the needs of the people in our community by cooperative efforts that an interdenominational service organization can provide. We do not wish to duplicate what others are already doing well, nor do we wish to take responsibility which another group could do as well, if not better.

**CHRISTIAN MINISTRY OF LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FOR THE YEAR 2024**

Bryan Beal, Past President

David Conner (2) (B) President
7303 Reeps Grove Church Road
Vale, NC 28168
(704) 276-1598 (H)

Phil Campbell (1) * (B)
1483 Arden Oaks
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(704) 473-3628 (C)

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5013 Sisk Hill Road
Vale, NC 28168
(828) 455-5678

Kathy Robinson (3) (P) Vice President
3401 Hwy 274
Cherryville, NC 28021
(704) 472-9457 (C)

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3065 Startown Road
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3444 Leaping Pine Drive
Lincolnton, NC 28092
(704) 477-5186 (C)

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3335 Hwy 27 West
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Rev. Chad Walker (4) (L) Secretary
702 Addie Drive
Iron Station, NC 28080
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1213 N. Piedmont Ave.
Kings Mountain, NC 28086
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Dennis Parker (1) * (R)
1462 Love Memorial School Road
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Rev. Mike Devine (2) (N)
PO Box 654
Lincolnton, NC 28093
(704) 735-1559 (W)

Rev. Michael White (4) (B)
1352 South Aspen Street
Lincolnton, NC 28092
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Patricia Estes (1) * (N)
995 Grazing Meadows Court
Lincolnton, NC 28092
(704) 678-8608

Daphca Dyson (1) * (N)
211 Mockingbird Lane
Lincolnton, NC 28092
(704) 770-5572 (H)

* These will be voted on and installed at Annual Meeting. Each member of the Board is elected for a two (2) year term. Each may serve two consecutive terms. The number beside each name indicates the year the person will be serving in 2024. The letter beside each number indicates religious affiliation. We would like to thank the following Board Members that are coming off for their loyal service: Shirley Alexander, Lorenda Dyson, Essie Houch, Shaley Dunn

President's Message

It is so hard to come up with the words to say thank you to all the staff, volunteers, board members, and others who have made the past year a successful year.

We have put into action to care for even the least of these. Many times, we wonder why we do what we do. God has blessed us with talents, time, and special skills so we can serve those who are in need.

2024 will provide many new challenges. Are we prepared and prayed up for this to happen?

Continue to pray that we will follow God's will in the coming year and may each of you be blessed for all that you do.

David Conner

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Every year brings change, 2023 was no exception. We wanted to offer a place where the homeless would feel accepted. We did two things. First, we opened a day shelter, our "Day Retreat." It is open from 1p – 4p, Monday – Friday. Please see the report for how wonderful that is going. Second, we promoted that the Ministry was a place for the homeless to be from 8a – 4p.

We wanted the homeless to know they did not have to go to public restaurants or the library or Main St. to find a place to sit down. They could be with us. We already offered the clothes closet, restroom & shower facilities, laundry, and of course, the soup kitchen. We have gotten to know "our people" as the town likes to call the homeless. Most are trying the best they can. Most will not be able to get out of homelessness without one-on-one help. Some are severely mentally challenged and do not want their lives to change.

Another change is our Resource Hub that is offered once a month. This is a time where local agency representatives are available to connect with our clients. Clients can find support for housing, mental health, financial assistance, job assistance, etc.

What has not changed is that the Ministry is a place that shows compassion to those in need. In 2023, we gave out 203,056 pounds of food, over \$87,000 in financial aid for utilities, rent and medicines, and over \$965,000 worth of clothes, personal & household items.

I want to thank the staff and volunteers for showing compassion daily to everyone that comes to the Ministry. As we go into 2024, let us continue to show compassion by looking for ways to "seek means of serving the needs of the people in our community" as our statement of purpose directs us. Let us "call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind" as Luke 14:13 directs us.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

1 Thessalonians 5:28

Mitzi

**MINISTRY GROUPS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS
2024**

President David Conner, Ex-officio of all Committees 704-276-1598

FINANCE AND BUDGET

Shirley Alexander	704-562-8335
Dianne Painter	704-735-6803
Lorenda Dyson	704-770-5572
Bryan Beal, Chairman	828-234-0899
Rev. Rick Sloop	704-732-3265
Ministry Treasurer	

SOUP KITCHEN

Gary Poovey	704-462-2448
Shirley Alexander	704-562-8335
Marni Carpenter	704-732-2692
Judy Freeman	704-748-9948
Ronnie Engle	704-473-1695
Patsy Smith, Chairman	704-732-0953

POLICY AND PERSONNEL

Ralph Zello, Chairman	704-735-0063
Shirley Alexander	704-562-8335
Rev. Ricky Sloop	704-732-3265
Dianne Painter	704-735-6803

RESEARCH AND PLANNING

Shirley Alexander	704-562-8335
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Lisa Baxter	704-692-9696
Kathy Robinson	704-472-9457
Rev. Chad Walker	704-308-1887

PROPERTY

David Conner	704-276-1598
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NURSING HOME MINISTRY

Loretta Beam	704-472-5840
Becky Engle	704-473-1696

CHRISTMAS MINISTRY

Marge Stula Co-Chairman	860-208-8741
Marion Beebe Co-Chairman	860-836-1982
Ricky Detter	704-742-6232
Ralph Zello, Co-Chairman	704-735-0063
Paul Crump	704-732-0302
Becky Engle	704-473-1696
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Demery Brewer, Chairman	704-732-6446/4211
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MINISTRY SHOPPERS

Ralph Zello	704-735-0063
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EMERGENCY SERVICES

Shirley Alexander, Chairman.	704-562-8335
Libby Baxter	704-740-5915
Ralph Zello	704-735-0063
Donna Jolley	704-472-7481
Rev. Chad Walker	704-308-1887

LINC MEALS

Melinda Houser, Chairman	704-435-3640
Kathy Robinson	704-472-9457
Rev. Ronnie Roseboro	704-735-7513
Ralph Zello	704-735-0063
Shirley Alexander	704-562-8335
Linda Drum, Vice Chairman	704-735-5305
Diane Carpenter	704-735-9890

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

ACCT.#	MEMBER CHURCH	ACCT. #	MEMBER CHURCH	ACCT.#	NON-MEMBER
5001	AMITY BAPTIST	5043	LEONARDS FORK BAPTIST	5800	ALEXIS BAPTIST
5002	ANTIOCH BAPTIST	5044	LIBERTY APOSTOLIC TABERNACLE	5852	ARTISAN CHURCH
5003	ASBURY METHODIST	5045	LINCOLN AVENUE BAPTIST	5801	BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH
5004	BESS CHAPEL	5046	LINCOLN SEVENTH DAY ADVENTI	5802	BYZANTINE ORTHODOX CATHOLIC
5005	BETHEL LUTHERAN	5047	LINCOLN CHURCH OF GOD	5803	CATAWBA VALLEY BAPTIST
5006	BETHPHAGE LUTHERAN	5048	LINKS CHAPEL AME ZION	5804	CEDAR GROVE BAPTIST
5007	BOGER CITY BAPTIST	5049	LONG SHOALS BAPTIST	5805	CENTERVIEW BAPTIST
5008	BOGER CITY UNITED METHODIST	5050	LONG SHOALS WESLEYAN	5806	CHRIST U METHODIST HICKORY
5009	BOGER CITY WESLEYAN	5051	MACEDONIA BAPTIST	5807	CHURCH MADE W/O HANDS
5402	BUFFALO SHOALS BAPTIST	5052	MARVIN U. METHODIST	5808	CHURCH WORLD SERVICES
5010	CALVARY BAPTIST	5053	MCKENDREE METHODIST	5809	CORAL PARK BAPTIST CHURCH
5011	CEDAR GROVE LUTHERAN	5054	MESSIAH U. METHODIST	5810	CROUSE BAPTIST
5012	CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR	5055	MT ZION BAPTIST ALEXIS	5811	DENVER U METHODIST CHURCH
5014	CORNERSTONE CHURCH MAIDEN	5056	MT. VERNON BAPTIST IRON STATIO	5812	EL SHADDAI FULL GOSPEL BAPT
5089	CORNERSTONE INDEPEND BAPTIST	5057	MT. VERNON BAPTIST VALE	5813	FIRST UNITED METHODIST STANLEY
5015	COVENANT CHURCH	5061	NEW VISION MINISTRIES	5814	GASTON DIST. MISSIONS SOC.
5016	CROUSE U. METHODIST	5062	NORTH BROOK BAPTIST	5815	GASTONIA DIST OFFICE FOR UMC
5017	CROWELL MEMORIAL CHURCH	5063	OAK GROVE BAPTIST	5816	GLORYLAND BAPTIST
5018	DANIELS LUTHERAN CHURCH	5064	PALM TREE U. METHODIST	5817	GRACE BAPTIST
5405	DAVID MEMORIAL BAPTIST	5065	PEARL BAPTIST	5818	HARDIN COMM BAPT
5429	DAVIDS CHAPEL	5440	PINE STREET PRESBYTERIAN	5819	HEBRON UNITED METHODIST
5494	DAYSTAR FWC CH OF GOD	5066	PISGAH METHODIST	5820	HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
5020	EMANUEL REFORMED CHURCH	5067	PLEASANT GROVE U. METHODIST	5821	LAKE FOREST CHURCH
5019	EMMANUEL LUTHERAN	5068	PROVIDENCE MISSIONARY BAPTIST	5822	LANDERS CHAPEL
5021	EXODUS BAPTIST	5435	REAL LIFE COMMUNITY	5823	LA WINGS CHAPEL
5455	FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH	5431	REDEMPTION OUTREACH CTR.	5824	LEBANON UNITED METHODIST
5022	FAITH BAPTIST	5069	REEPS GROVE U. METHODIST	5825	LIBERTY BAPTIST CHURCH
5023	FAITH WORSHIP CENTER	5070	REEPSVILLE BAPTIST	5826	LINCOLN CONC CHAPTER LUTHERAN
5026	FIRST BAPTIST CH OF LINCOLNTON	5071	RHYNE HEIGHTS CHURCH	5827	MAIDEN FIRST BAPTIST
5511	FIRST BAPTIST HIGH SHOALS	5072	RIVER VIEW BAPTIST	5828	MAIDEN WESLEYAN CHURCH
5027	FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH	5073	ROSELAND BAPTIST	5829	MAYS CHAPEL U METHODIST-MAIDEN
5029	FIRST UNITED METHODIST	5074	SALEM U. CHURCH OF CHRIST	5830	MOORES CHAPEL BAPTIST
5030	FIRST WESLEYAN	5074	SALEM BAPTIST	5831	MOUNTAIN VIEW BAPTIST
5031	FOURSQUARE GOSPEL	5075	SALEM LUTHERAN	5832	MOUNTAIN VIEW BAPTIST
5472	FREEDOM CHURCH	5481	SHALOM BAPTIST	5833	NEW HEIGHTS BAPTIST
5484	FRIENDLY CHAPEL	5077	SHALOM BAPTIST	5834	NEW HOPE BAPTIST
5032	GAINSVILLE BAPTIST	5087	SHINING A LIGHT FOR JESUS MINI	5835	POPLAR SPRINGS AME ZION
5430	GRACE FELLOWSHIP	5451	SOUTH RIVER BAPTIST	5836	PRESBYTERIAN OF WESTERN NC
5055	GREATER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	5078	SOUTH RIVER BAPTIST	5837	PURSUIT CHURCH-DENVER
5033	HARVEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	5079	ST. DOROTHY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH	5838	REDEEMED BAPTIST
5427	HEAVENLY VIEW BAPTIST	5081	ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL	5838	REDEMPTION BAPTIST
5445	HIGH SHOALS CHURCH OF GOD	5080	ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN	5833	RISEN CHURCH
5035	HIGH SHOALS U. METHODIST	5082	ST. MATTHEWS REFORMED CHURCH	5839	SALEM REFORMED U CH OF CHRIST
5034	HIGHLAND DRIVE FREEWILL BAPT.	5083	ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN	5840	SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
5036	HINTON MEM. U. METHODIST	5487	TABERNACLE OF BLESSINGS	5841	SERVANTS OF THE MOST HIGH GOD
5037	HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN	5486	TEMPLE BAPTIST	5842	SOUTH FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
5493	HOWARDS CREEK BAPTIST	5452	THE RIVER OF GOD	5843	SPIRIT LIFE CHURCH OF GOD
5038	HULLS GROVE BAPTIST	5085	TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH	5844	ST. JAMES LUTHERAN-NEWTON
5024	IMPACT COMMUNITY CHURCH	5099	UNITY BAPTIST CHURCH	5845	ST JAMES U METH CH-DENVER NC
5039	IRON STATION U. METHODIST	5512	VENTURE CHURCH	5846	ST PETER BY-THE-LAKE EPISCOPAL
5040	IRONTON PRESBYTERIAN	5086	VICTORY GROVE BAPTIST	5847	THE COALITION OF BLACK CHURCHE
5041	IVEY MEM. U. METHODIST	5426	ZION HILL BAPTIST	5848	TRUE GOSPEL INTERDENOMINATIONA
5025	JOY FELLOWSHIP ASSEMBLY			5849	VALE COMMUNITY BAPTIST
5042	LABORATORY U. METHODIST			5850	WEBBS CHAPEL
				5851	WORD OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH
					YEAR TO DATE TOTAL 2023
					YEAR TO DATE TOTAL 2022
					16386.97
					9848.10

**CHRISTIAN MINISTRY OF LINCOLN COUNTY, INC.
BUDGET**

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>BUDGET 2023</u>	<u>BUDGET 2024</u>
7200	Wages	\$225,652.80	\$249,603.84
6620	Payroll Taxes	17,750.00	19,095.00
6560	Utilities	17,000.00	27,500.00
6640	Building Maintenance	6,400.00	7,000.00
6645	Vehicle Maintenance	6,000.00	7,000.00
6650	Equipment	3,200.00	3,200.00
6660	Office Supplies/Postage/Annual Dues	9,000.00	9,000.00
6670	Insurance/Bond	24,000.00	31,400.00
6680	Mileage	1,200.00	1,200.00
6690	Miscellaneous	200.00	200.00
6700	Miscellaneous Employee Exp.	0.00	200.00
6710	Audit	4,000.00	0.00
6800	Contract Labor	6,240.00	17,400.00
6550	Volunteers Com	1,200.00	1,200.00
6900	LINC Ministry Group (Coolers, Equipment, etc.)	1,520.00	1,520.00
6960	LINC Subsidized meals	25,000.00	25,000.00
6000	Emergency Services	104,000.00	104,000.00
7300	Nursing Home Ministry	120.00	0.00
7700	Business Blitz	800.00	350.00
7960	Amazing Race	160.00	160.00
	Sub Total	453,442.80	505,028.84
7800	Christmas Fund ***	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
7900	Soup Kitchen ***	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
		<u>\$473,442.80</u>	<u>\$525,028.84</u>

*** RAISES OWN MONEY

TOTAL BUDGET (2024) \$525,028.84

Committee Members

Shirley Alexander
David Conner, President
Dianne Painter
Lorenda Dyson
Janet Gross, Treasurer
Bryan Beal, Chairman
Rev. Rick Sloop

2024 RECOMMENDED STAFF WAGES

Staff Position	2023	2024
Executive Director	\$47,000.00	Salary, hours not limited but based on 30 hours weekly \$51,700.00
Administrative Assistant	\$25,000.00	Hourly \$26,254.40
EMS Coordinator	\$25,000.00	Hourly \$26,251.40
EMS Interviewer	\$8,910.00	Hourly \$9,355.50
Bookkeeper	\$21,330.40	Hourly \$22,407.84
LINC Home Meals Coordinator	\$25,000.00	Hourly \$26,254.80
Soup Kitchen Coordinator	\$26,600.00	Hourly \$30,450.00
Building & Resource Coordinator	\$30,462.40	Hourly \$30,462.40
Coordinator of Volunteers	\$16,350.00	Hourly \$17,167.50
Day Retreat employee 1 (2.5)		Hourly \$9,300.00
Sub Total	\$225,652.80	\$249,603.84
Contract Labor		
Custodian	\$6,240.00	Hourly \$6,240.00
Day Retreat employee 2 (3.0)		Hourly \$11,160.00
Total Wages	\$231,892.80	\$255,843.84

PERMANENT RECOMMENDATION:

- Employee hours can fluctuate based on Ministry needs; therefore hourly employees are paid for authorized overtime regardless of approved budget.
- Mileage paid at Federal Rate
- Contract Labor cost will show in account 6800.

POLICY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Ralph Zello-Chm., Board President
 David Conner, Shirley Alexander,
 Rev. Ricky Sloop, Dianne Painter, Kathy Robinson,

IN-KIND REPORT - 2023

ACCT. NUMBER	ACCOUNT	DOLLAR AMOUNT DONATED
	VOLUNTEER HOURS DONATED (valued at \$7.25 per hour)	
6000	Emergency Services (clothes closet, pantry, storage bldg, mobile, etc.)	50,663.00
	Research & Planning	174.00
6520	Policy and Personnel	174.00
6550	Volunteer - Receptionist	1,160.00
6640	Building Maintenance - Volunteers	50.00
6900	LINC Ministry (Meetings/Drivers/Coordinators/Packers)	50,547.00
7300	Nursing Home Birthday Parties (5 facilities)	6,960.00
7700	Business Blitz	50.00
7800	Christmas Ministry	7,598.00
7900	Soup Kitchen	79,387.50
7960	Amazing Race Against Hunger	261.00
	TOTAL DOLLAR FIGURE FOR DONATED HOURS	\$197,024.50
6000	Emergency Services Items Donated:	
	Household Items (linens,furniture,fans,blankets.etc)	531,850.00
	Personal Items (Hygiene, Cosmetics, Diapers, etc.)	433,385.00
	Food Total for Emergency Services (bread & meat from 5 stores daily, USDA, individual & church foods)	902,132.00
	TOTAL DOLLAR FIGURE DONATED ITEMS - EMS	\$1,867,367.00
6680	Mileage Donated (.655 per mile):	
	LINC Meals	65,500.00
	Morning Pick ups	2,217.00
	Pick up furniture	65.50
	Nursing Home	3,144.00
	TOTAL DOLLAR FIGURE DONATED - MILEAGE	\$70,926.50
6950	LINC Meals	
6960	12,062 Donated Meals @ \$4.75 each	\$57,294.50
6980		
7800	Christmas Fund; Donated Items:	
	Food ~ 581 boxes (Subtracted actual cost of purchased food at \$275 per box)	142,087.60
	New Toys ~ 566 children (\$100 per child) (15 bikes @ \$60 each)	57,500.00
	Used Toys ~ (3 Bikes@ \$30 each) (20 Toy Bins @ \$60 each)	1,650.00
	TOTAL DOLLAR FIGURE DONATED - CHRISTMAS	\$201,237.60
7900	Soup Kitchen	
	37,636 Meals (Value of each meal \$9 minus actual cost .65)	\$314,260.60
	GRAND TOTAL	\$2,708,110.70

POLICY AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT

The Policy and Personnel committee met on three occasions in 2023.

In March, our Soup Kitchen Coordinator, Tina Sigmon resigned to accept a full time position in Shelby. In accordance with our by-laws all member churches were notified that the position was available. Regina Maier who had been a soup kitchen volunteer applied for the position. She was interviewed and hired.

In June we met and changed our covid policy. The new policy basically states that if you are sick stay home.

We met again in September and suggested staff wage increases which were submitted to the financial committee.

We thank the committee for their input throughout the year and a special thank you to our staff for their hard work and the compassion shown to our clients every day.

Ralph Zello
Policy and Personnel Chair 2023

Committee:
Ralph Zello, Chrm
Shirley Alexander
Dianne Painter
David Conner
Rev. Rick Sloop

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT - 2024

Below are the Officers and Board Members nominated by the Nominating Committee.

Executive Committee 2024

President: David Conner (2)
Vice President: Kathy Robinson (3)
Secretary: Rev. Chad Walker (4)
Treasurer: Janet Gross (3)

Need to Elect:

Laypersons

Phil Campbell (B) (1)
Dennis Parker (R) (1)
Patricia Estes (N) (1)

Ministers

Youth

Daphca Dyson (N) (1)

Lincoln Ministerial Association Delegate

TO BE DETERMINED

The Board of Directors will consist of a total of seventeen (17) people, including the past president as an ex-officio member. Ten of these people are to be laypersons, four are to be clergypersons, and two are to be youth (ages 14 - 22). The President or designated delegate of the Lincoln County Ministerial Association is an ex-officio member of the Board. The number beside each Board Member's name indicates the year the person will be serving in 2024.

Nominating Committee:
Shirley Alexander, Lorenda Dyson

2023 BUSINESS BLITZ CONTRIBUTIONS

Glory be to God on yet another year where the businesses and people of Lincoln County have come together to support Christian Ministries through the Business Blitz. It speaks volumes to what a wonderful community we live in to receive support year in and year out. I would like to personally say thank you for all the effort on what I would deem another successful year as we saw increased donations and support. This year we raised \$28,451.00. Let us all continue to pray that the people and businesses in our community will continue to assist our efforts at Christian Ministries as we serve those less fortunate. To all the Christian Ministry staff and volunteers, thank you for all that you do. Your hard work does not go unnoticed. In 2024, I pray that we are even more successful than we were in 2023. Thanks be to God for all His blessings. Happy New Year!

Demery Brewer

Business Blitz Chair 2023

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**BUSINESS CONTRIBUTIONS OTHER THAN BUSINESS BLITZ
2023**

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UNITED BANK
WEST END SALES INC



2023 Christian Ministry Golf Tournament

The annual Christian Ministry Golf Tournament was held at Lincoln Country Club on August 12. We had a field of 27 teams and a total of \$13,205 was collected. A total of \$6,362.17 was paid out leaving a balance of \$6,842.83.

Thank you Thrivent Financial for the donations to the golf tournament.

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped, to all the churches and various businesses who sponsored golf holes, and thanks to those who donated door prizes.

A special thanks goes to all that participated in the tournament. We look forward to seeing you at our 2024 Golf Tournament on August 10th.

Dianne Painter
Bud Lefevers
Co – Chairmen of golf tournament

EMERGENCY SERVICES MINISTRY GROUP REPORT - 2023

Purpose: Aid/assist clients with emergency needs (food, medicine, rent, heating/cooling bills, burned out families, clothing/shoes – through the Ministry Clothing Closet, as well as vouchers given to go to the Good Neighbor Shop).

In 2023, we provided food for 14,094 families and 17,693 individuals, as well as the variety of services listed above. Please carefully read the EMS Statistical Report for the full impact this ministry has on individual lives. Innovative ways to continue to serve our clients have been implemented, money availability has been stretched to the limit for housing, food shortages (not being able to purchase bulk items), volunteer limitations, etc. Thanks to a dedicated/committed staff and volunteers who go beyond the call of duty to insure that CMLC is serving the clients with dignity and love.

Thank you to all individuals, churches, businesses, and volunteers for your support, dedication, and commitment in making all this possible.

Also, **THANK YOU** to **CMLC staff** who work directly with Emergency Services: Executive Director – Mitzi Williams, Administrative Assistant – Angie Pooley, EMS Coordinator - Bobbie Grant, EMS Assistant Coordinator – Betty Leonard, Building & Resource Coordinator - Richard Ballard, Volunteer Coordinator – Woody Saunders, LINC Coordinator - Mimi Rhyne, Bookkeeper - Sandy Gantt, Soup Kitchen Coordinator – Gina Maier.

Thanks to the EMS Ministry Group: Shirley Alexander, Libby Baxter, Donna Jolley, Rev. Chad Walker, Ralph Zello.

May God continue to bless Christian Ministry of Lincoln County, Inc., and may we never lose focus of our purpose or love of the clients, volunteers, and supporters of this Ministry.

Shirley R. Alexander
Emergency Services Chairperson

“For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me (Matthew 25: 35-36); Jesus replied “Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me,” Matthew 25: 40.

EMERGENCY SERVICES - STATISTICAL REPORT 2023

Acct. Number	Emergency Service	Number of Clients Helped	Estimated Dollar Amount of Services
6010	Utilities	237	\$31,421.94
6020	Kerosene	97	\$3,931.36
6024	Cooling/Fuel (May to Sept.)	71	\$14,000.00
6026	Duke Grant	40	\$6,719.63
6030	Rent	136	\$27,631.84
6040	Job -Gas	0	\$0.00
6050	Medical	123	\$3,950.26
6070	Transient	7	\$30.00
6060L	Grocery Carts of Food	3,745	\$750,870.00
6060B	Food bags - Homeless	1830	\$89,160.00
6060F	TEFAP Only	26	\$1,950.00
6060	Community Donations		\$59,732.00
6060F	Formula	21	\$420.00
	Total of Families Requesting Food	14,094	
	Total of Individuals Requesting Food	17,693	
6090	Miscellaneous	1,223	\$13,670.00
	GL# Shower	740	\$8,880.00
	GL# 6090 Easter	51	\$255.00
	GL# 6090 Laundry	263	\$2,630.00
6111	Referrals	19	\$0.00
6113	Bibles	9	\$65.00
6114	Good Neighbor Shop	55	\$2,750.00
6114	Ministry Clothes Closet	1,977	\$160,600.00
6114	Clothing Bulk Items	136	\$2,720.00
6010F	Fans/Heaters	77	\$1,570.00
6116	Furniture	188	\$3,880.00
6117	Household Items "Specific Request"	610	\$9,680.00
6117	Household Bulk Items		\$513,560.00
6118	Blankets	601	\$3,095.00
6119	Personal Items "Specific Request"	663	\$10,840.00
6119	Personal Bulk Items		\$231,040.00
	Estimated Value of Services		
	Number of Requests - 2022	8,893	
	Total Households - 2023	14,094	
	First Time Clients - 2023	689	

Building and Resource Report

- Built shelves for soup kitchen
- Moved storage lockers to soup kitchen hallway
- Replaced an old dryer for a new donated dryer and refitted the exhaust vent
- Installed new gates in food pantry parking lot
- Replaced cooler
- Prepared the grocery area for the Christmas give-out day, and then reset the grocery area back to its original condition after the give-out day
- Replaced outlets in the soup kitchen
- Stocked and sorted can drive pallets
- Maintenance of ministry grounds (mowing, trimming, blowing)
- Constant upkeep on the maintenance of the buildings

Richard Ballard – Building and Resource Coordinator

Coordinator of Volunteers Report

Christian Ministry is strengthened by the diversity, experience and individual skill sets of our volunteers. Our success is predicated on the willingness of volunteers to give their time and energy to the many programs sponsored by the ministry.

A goal of Christian Ministry is to provide the most effective and efficient services to our clients. Our volunteers make that possible. We recognize and salute all the volunteers who made 2023 a success.

Below is a list of some volunteer opportunities:

- Soup Kitchen
- Food Pantry
- Housekeeping Services
- Grocery Pick Up
- Can Drives
- LINC Meals
- Christmas Give Out

Volunteer Milestones*

- 16,200 Total volunteer hours
- 40 churches represented
- 145 volunteers for Christmas
- 600 Students giving 2,100 service hours
- 97 Community Service workers totaling 1,780 hours

*Based on available data

Woody Saunders – Coordinator of Volunteers

LINC HOME DELIVERED MEALS PROGRAM

1Peter 4:10: *As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.*”

Serving is the very essence of ministry. The Bible teaches that serving others is not about doing **great things** but about doing small things with **great love**. In my opinion, this describes our LINC Home Delivered Meals Program and its volunteers.

Every day we serve people who are homebound and in need of a hot nutritious meal. Some of our recipients are elderly, some have mental issues, health issues or perhaps some physical limitations such as blindness or amputation that limit what they can do. Some of our recipients have no family in the area or perhaps no family at all and are lonely.

Our program and volunteers do a great thing by meeting their need for food. We also do great things by doing small things like just coming by and giving them a smile, maybe getting their mail in for them, or feeding their cat during a visit.

This year our volunteers delivered meals a total of 248 days to an average of 85 people a day, driving nearly 100,000 miles and taking 5,700 hours of their personal time to serve.

All of these things...great and small...are done in service to others through God's grace on us.

Below is a breakdown of our volunteers and meals:

<u>VOLUNTEERS</u>		<u>MEALS</u>	
Coordinators	9	Emergency	45
Packers	21	Subsidized	5,238
Drivers	222	Self Paid	5,336
		Sponsored	6,779
Total Volunteers	266	Total Meals	17,398
		Total free meals	12,062
		Cost of all free meals	\$57,294.50

Respectfully submitted,
Mimi Rhyne, Coordinator

LINC Ministry Group Members:

Melinda Houser- Chairperson	Diane Carpenter
Shirley Alexander	Kathy Robinson
Linda Drum	Rev. Ronnie Roseboro
Ralph Zello	

2023 Amazing Race Against Hunger

This was our 5th year of our Amazing Race Against Hunger. This year we went back to our roots and did a larger race with pit stops, detours, and a roadblock.

We started and ended at the ministry and each of the pit stops, detours and roadblocks were along the Marcia Cloninger Walking Trail. Some of the pit stops included: mapping out a LINC Meals route, and a water balloon challenge. Some of the detours were a choice between eating sardines or tossing beans into a can. All our teams seemed to enjoy the challenges. At each stop our teams were given a food item to collect and carry in their take out plate.

There were 2 goals of the race, first, to be the team to raise and bring in the most money and secondly, be the first team to finish the race with all food items collected.

This year we had 2 churches participate in the race, 1 family team participating and a girl's basketball team, a total of 4 teams and 28 people. We had several other churches, groups and individuals to donate money as well as several businesses, those are listed below.

This year the North Stars Girls Basketball team won the trophy and the race.

As always, our race proceeds go to help sponsor recipients who need our meal services but cannot afford to pay for the meals themselves. This year we raised \$7,635. A huge thank you to our race committee and in particular the Dunn Family for organizing and working 2 of the challenges.

The following is a list of those churches, organizations or individuals that participated and/or contributed financially to our race. **A huge thank you to each and every one.**

R&R Express (Reep Family)	Cedar Grove Lutheran
North Stars Basketball	Calvary Baptist
Bethel Lutheran	Lincoln County Picklers (Pickle Ball)
Pisgah Methodist Church	Artisan Church
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church	First Baptist Church
Anonymous	S& H Pools
Steve White Motors	Accel Discount Tire
Joy's Stump Removal	Dave's Auto Upholstery
Maiden Small Animal Hospital	King Tiger Tae Kwon Do
Kimberly Suttlemyre	

Amazing Race Committee: *Janet Gross, Kathy Robinson, Debbie, Eric, Shaley & Shiloh Dunn*

Soup Kitchen Ministry Report

This year was another big success at the soup kitchen. We served an average of 2,257 meals each month, and served 10,000 meals more this year than last year. A big THANK YOU to each and every volunteer who made this possible each day.

Thank you to all the churches, organizations, families and staff! This ministry could not have been so successful this year without all of your support, donations and never-ending compassion for those we serve each day. God is Good!

I would like to express my deepest gratitude for having faith in me as your Soup Kitchen Coordinator. Thank you for your support and guidance this year. I am looking forward to another great year in 2024.

Rule with the heart of a servant, serve with the heart of a king – By Bill Johnson, Writer and Author

Regina Maier

Soup Kitchen Coordinator

**JANUARY - DECEMBER 2023
SOUP KITCHEN STATISTICAL REPORT**

Month	Days Served	Persons Served	Meals Served	Average Persons	Average Meals	Average Cost per. Person	Average Cost per. Meal	Monthly Expenditures	Sunday Ave. Attend.	Devotion Ave. Attend.	Holiday Ave. Meals
January	31	2361	2655	76	86	0.55	0.49	\$1,292.95	68	10	58
February	28	2270	2600	81	93	0.85	0.74	\$1,912.79	75	16	0
March	31	2433	2809	79	91	0.64	0.55	\$1,543.93	62	3	0
April	30	2249	2665	75	89	0.76	0.65	\$1,710.00	71	9	48
May	31	2510	2932	81	95	0.67	0.57	\$1,666.51	75	12	89
June	30	2450	2851	82	95	0.51	0.44	\$1,242.33	67	8	0
July	31	2690	3148	87	102	0.53	0.46	\$1,420.26	111	22	75
August	31	2795	4559	90	147	2.66	1.63	\$7,431.66	100	8	0
September	30	2747	3367	92	113	0.6	0.49	\$1,637.40	96	0	78
October	31	2771	3467	89	112	69	0.55	\$1,909.20	79	1	0
November	30	2817	3531	94	118	0.78	0.62	\$2,173.56	86	13	108
December	31	2496	3052	81	98	0.74	0.6	\$1,828.16	74	3	111
TOTALS	365	30589	37636								
YR. AVE.	30	2549	3136	84	103	\$6.52	\$0.65	\$2,147.40	80	9	47

**CHRISTMAS FUND MINISTRY GROUP
STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 2023**

	2022	2023	Difference
Families Receiving Food Boxes	445	581	136
Value at \$275 per Box (2022)	\$122,375.00	\$159,775.00	\$37,400.00
Children Under 14 Receiving New Toys	478	566	88
Children served at used toy distribution	450	350	-100

CHRISTMAS FUND 2022					
	<u>2022</u>		<u>2023</u>		<u>Variance</u>
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	\$130,535.91		\$129,968.19		-\$567.72
TRANSFER TO SPONSORED MEALS	\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00		\$0.00
TOTAL	\$124,535.91		\$123,968.19		-\$567.72
<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>2022</u>		<u>2023</u>		<u>Variance</u>
TOYS	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00
FOOD	\$7,004.02		\$17,080.58		\$10,076.56
POSTAGE/PAPER/MISC EXPENSES	\$345.87		\$606.82		\$260.95
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,349.89		\$17,687.40		\$10,337.51

While we have always given away used toys, seven years ago we started having a special used toy distribution day. This distribution allows anyone to come get toys, no application is needed.

Thanks to every church, school, organization and individual who made our 2023 Christmas food and toy distribution a success. We thank Wal-Mart Lincolnton, Food Lion East & West, StarBucks, Wright Brothers Tomato Company and Aldi's who donated food throughout the year for our food pantry.

Thanks to Domino's for donating pizza for our many volunteers on December 22, 2023. Also, thanks goes out to the Lincolnton Police Department for their help. Also thank you to Saine Ace Hardware for lending us wheelbarrows every year. We will use \$6000 of the 2023 donations for the LINC Home Meals Program. The balance will be converted to the General Operating Fund.

Ralph Zello, Marion Beebe and Marge Stula, Co-Chairs.

Nursing Home Birthday Party Ministry

Due to the Covid-19 PANDEMIC, the Ministry-sponsored birthday parties at area nursing facilities were suspended for roughly two years, beginning in March of 2020. In the Spring of 2022, Executive Director, Mitzi Williams, began reaching out to the facilities the ministry had served previously to gauge their interest in resuming the parties. All were prepared and eager to begin with varying protocols. Mitzi invited Becky Engle and Loretta Beam to attempt a revival of the ministry and provided lists of previous contact persons and participating groups, along with the last schedule, which had been suspended.

All groups which had been involved at the time of the suspension were contacted to determine their ability and willingness to undertake the ministry to the facilities. A number were willing and eager to resume, yet a significant number of groups had been impacted themselves by the pandemic (such as church women's groups) to the degree that they were unable to support participation in the party schedule, or key personnel were no longer involved in the organization.

As always, God provides whatever is needed, and through contacts and networking, a number of new groups came forward to help with the effort and the schedule was filled from (approximately) March, 2022 to the present. At the submission of this report, the needs for the current year are filled through April, with only several slots or dates in a pending status, for all of 2024.

We are thankful for all the groups and individuals who are participating in this ministry to the residents of our area facilities. We are attaching an information sheet which is shared with all who are considering, or who have agreed to host. We welcome the interest of other groups and individuals who might wish to be on an as-needed or back-up list, if opportunities to host are not available at this time. We are also including an attachment of the current schedule with the deletion of personal contact numbers, for your information. We are grateful for the opportunity to help restore this ministry to the community on behalf of Christian Ministry.

Becky Engle 704 473 1696

Loretta Beam 704 472 5840

Nursing Home Birthday Party Schedule 2024

January

Nursing Home (Greens)	Church/Organization 31:6 Fitness
Cardinal Heath	Mt. Herndon Bess Chapel
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Freedom Church ECA Lincoln

February

Nursing Home (Greens)	Church/Organization Cedar Grove Lutheran
Cardinal Heath	Tammy Johnson & Family Bess Chapel
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Holy Cross ECA Lincoln

March

Nursing Home (Greens)	Church/Organization New Heights Baptist
Cardinal Heath	Lincoln Retired School Emp Bess Chapel
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Mt. Vernon Vale ECA Lincoln

April

Nursing Home Greens	Church/Organization Bethphage
Cardinal Heath	Leonards Fork First United Methodist
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Gainesville Church ECA Lincoln

May

Nursing Home (Greens)	Church/Organization Providence Baptist
Cardinal Heath	Emmanuel Lutheran New Heights Baptist
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Emmanuel Lutheran ECA Lincoln

June

Nursing Home (Greens)	Church/Organization Agape/ New Vision
Cardinal Heath	31:6 Fitness Gainesville
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Emmanuel Reformed ECA Lincoln

July

Nursing Home Greens	Church/Organization Rhyne Heights UMC
Cardinal Heath	Lincoln Avenue St. Dorothy's Catholic
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Reepsville Baptist ECA Lincoln

August

Nursing Home Greens	Church/Organization Artisan Church
Cardinal Heath	Hulls Grove Bess Chapel
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Pisgah Methodist ECA Lincoln

September

Nursing Home Greens	Church/Organization First Baptist
Cardinal Heath	Mt. Vernon Iron Station Bess Chapel
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	First Methodist ECA Lincoln

October

Nursing Home Greens	Church/Organization St. Paul's Lutheran
Cardinal Heath	Daniels Bess Chapel
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Crouse United Meth. ECA Lincoln

November

Nursing Home Greens	Church/Organization Salem Baptist
Cardinal Heath	Hulls Grove Bess Chapel
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Pisgah Methodist ECA Lincoln

December

Nursing Home Greens	Church/Organization
Cardinal Heath	Mt. Herndon Mt. Vernon Iron Station
Lincoln Rehab Boger City	Holy Cross Lutheran ECA Lincoln

DAY RETREAT

To help the homeless of our community, the ministry opened a day retreat shelter. This is a place where everyone is welcome, a place where one can rest, have access to restrooms, showers, snacks, watch videos, a place just to “be”. The retreat is in the dining room Monday – Friday, during the hours of 1pm to 4pm. Initially, we tried to have one paid staff with volunteer help. However, we could not build a volunteer base. We now operate with two paid staff.

The retreat operated 229 days, serving a daily average of 14 people. Our daily high was 29 in the months of July and August.

The things we have learned from opening the retreat:

- The people helped appreciate the compassion shown them
- The Day Retreat is a wonderful opportunity to work one on one with people in need
- The majority of those served are from Lincoln County
- Mental illness is the driving force behind the people needing help
- The downtown community is very appreciative of our effort
- The retreat hours offer more time for people to take showers than previously, and more time for laundry to be completed

Future challenges for the retreat:

- The cost: \$30 an hour
- The consideration of: Are we helping or putting off the inevitable

As we go into 2024, our prayer is to continue offering the Day Retreat to serve the needs of the people in our community.

SCHEDULE FOR VOLUNTEER FOOD PACKERS 2024

Member churches are asked to help pack food once a year for the Emergency Services Food Pantry.

JANUARY

2,3,4 OPEN (CLOSED 1ST NEWS YEARS)
5 Holy Cross Lutheran
8,9,10 Calvary Baptist
11,12 Roseland Baptist
16,17,18,19 Marvin UMC (CLOSED 15 MLK)
22,23,24 First UMC
25,26,29,30,31 Pisgah UMC

FEBRUARY

1,2,5,6,7 Hull's Grove - West
8,9 Bess Chapel UMC
14,15,16 Day Star Family Worship
19,20 Maiden Wesleyan
21,22,23,26,27 Salem Baptist
28,29 OPEN

MARCH

1,4,5 St. Dorothy's Catholic
6,7,8 Pearl Baptist
11,12,13,14,15 Bethphage Lutheran
18,19,20 St. Luke's Lutheran
21,22,25,26,27 Covenant Bible
28 OPEN (CLOSED 29 Good Friday)

APRIL

1,2,3 Emanuel Reformed
4, 5 Boger City Baptist
8, 9 Messiah UMC
10, 11 12 Asbury Methodist
15,16,17 Pleasant Grove UMC
18,19 New Vision
22,23 Salem Lutheran/Salem UCC
24,25,26,29,30 OPEN

MAY

1,2,3 OPEN
6,7,8,9,10 Boger City UMC
13,14,15,16 Friendly Chapel
17 Buffalo Shoals Baptist
20,21,22,23,24 Fairview Baptist
28,29,30,31 OPEN (Closed May 27 Memorial Day)

JUNE

3,4,5,6,7 Cedar Grove Lutheran
10,11 River View Baptist
12,13,14 Southside Baptist
17,18 Antioch Baptist
19,20,21 Venture Church
24,25,26,27,28 Amity Baptist

JULY

1,2,3,5 Long Shoals Baptist (CLOSED 4th)
8,9,10 Reepsville Baptist
11,12 First Christian
15,16,17,18,19 St. Paul's Lutheran
22,23,24,25,26 Crowell Memorial Meth.
29,30,31 St. Matthew's

AUGUST

1,2,5,6 Mt. Zion Baptist
7,8,9 Daniel's Lutheran
12 Lincoln Avenue Baptist
13,14,15,16 Faith Baptist
19,20,21 Iron Station & High Shoals UMC
22,23 Boger City Wesleyan
26,27,28,29,30 OPEN

SEPTEMBER

3,4,5,6 First Baptist Lincolnton (Closed 2nd Labor Day)
9,10,11 Crouse UMC
12,13 Temple Baptist
16,17,18 Laboratory UMC
19,20,23,24 McKendree Methodist
25,26 Ivey Global Methodist
27,30 Rhyne Heights UMC

OCTOBER

1,2,3,4 OPEN
7,8 David Memorial Baptist
9,10,11 Trinity Lutheran
14 Greater Moores Chapel
15,16 Reeps Grove UMC
17,18 Mt. Vernon Baptist Iron Station
21,22,23 Sharon Baptist
24,25,28,29,30,31 OPEN

NOVEMBER

1 OPEN
4,5,6,7,8 Howard Creek Baptist
12,13 Leonard's Fork Baptist (Closed 11th Veterans Day)
14,15 OPEN
18,19,20,21 Zion Hill Baptist
22 Ironton Presbyterian
25,26,27 Macedonia Baptist (Closed 28,29 Thanksgiving)

DECEMBER

2,3,4,5,6 Freedom Church
9,10,11 Unity Baptist
12,13 Harvest Presbyterian
16,17,18 Victory Grove Baptist
19,20 Preparing for Give out day
No packers needed 26,27, (Closed 23, 24,25 Christmas)
30,31 Community Full Gospel (Closed Jan. 1 New Years Day)

CHURCH FOOD COLLECTION SCHEDULE - 2024

Member churches are asked to collect and bring food twice a year for the Emergency Services Food Pantry. Food may be brought at any time during the month or at the end of the month. If desired, financial contributions may be made in lieu of food. If you would like a change in your schedule, please call 704-732-0383. Please call for items needed before collecting.

JANUARY & JULY

Pisgah UMC
Marvin UMC
Holy Cross Lutheran
Trinity Lutheran
Salem Baptist
Leonard's Fork Baptist
Antioch Baptist
Bess Chapel UMC
Cedar Grove Lutheran
Exodus Baptist
Freedom Church
Emanuel Reformed

FEBRUARY & AUGUST

Southside Baptist
Messiah UMC
Calvary Baptist
Reepsville Baptist
Hinton Memorial UMC
St. Paul's Lutheran
Oak Grove Baptist
Sharon Baptist
Victory Grove
Highland Drive Freewill Baptist
Greater Moore's Chapel AME Zion
Gainsville Baptist
David Memorial Baptist (**Feb. Only**)
Long Shoals Baptist
Mt. Zion Baptist
Lincolnton Seventh Day Adventist
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church- Vale

MARCH & SEPTEMBER

Harvest Presbyterian
McKendree Methodist
Roseland Baptist
St. Dorothy's Catholic
Asbury Methodist
Pleasant Grove UMC
Faith Baptist
Crouse UMC
Boger City Wesleyan
Church of Our Saviour
Ironton Presbyterian
Cornerstone
Temple Baptist

APRIL & OCTOBER

Howards Creek Baptist
Rhyne Heights UMC
Boger City Baptist
Pearl Baptist
Ivey Global Methodist
Daniel's Lutheran
Iron Station UMC
High Shoals UMC
Laboratory UMC
Providence Baptist
Emmanuel Lutheran
St. Matthew Reformed
Covenant Bible Church
Hulls Grove Baptist
Macedonia UMC
Reeps Grove UMC
Unity Baptist

MAY & NOVEMBER

Boger City UMC
Friendly Chapel Baptist
Crowell Memorial
Macedonia Baptist
Lincolnton Church of God
Foursquare Gospel
Amity Baptist
Link's Chapel AME Zion
Faith Worship Center
St. Luke's Lutheran (**May Only**)
Zion Hill Baptist
Maiden Wesleyan

JUNE & DECEMBER

Long Shoals Wesleyan
Mt. Vernon Baptist- Iron Station
First UMC
First Wesleyan Lincolnton
First Baptist Lincolnton
First Christian
Lincoln Avenue Baptist
Impact Community Church
Salem Lutheran Church
Palm Tree UMC
River View Baptist
Bethphage Lutheran

We ask each church to adopt a food item in the month of November for our Christmas Ministry Give Out.