Cordesville First Baptist Church

May Newsletter

Restoration Journey Update

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Important Dates

- May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30: Food Pantry
- May 4, 11, 18 & 25: Men's Bible Study at the Barn
- May 8: Admin Mtg
- May 11: REAL MEAL Fundraiser Yard/Bake Sale Planning Meeting
- May 15: WMU & Men's Association Meetings
- May 16: 50+ Group to Frankie's Fun Park
- May 18: Community Meeting at CFBC
- May 20: VBS Breakfast & Training & the Community Yard/ Bake Sale
- May 25: REAL Meal Meeting
- May 29: Memorial Day– No School

We continue to minister to families within our community and local area. This past month, we've been blessed with not only providing food. but the Lord has opened opportunities for us to share Jesus. Some of the families seem appreciative and speak of spiritual encouragement, while others seem to simply tolerate; however, the Lord promises that His Word will not return to Him void so He can use our feeble efforts for His glory. We've served 16 families or nearly 40 people. Although, most of the families were familiar to us. several were new. If they lived outside the Cordesville community area, we didn't send them away emptyhanded but also gave them a list-

More Missions

ing of resources closer to their

Did you see the boxful of shampoo/body soap that the men took to the Men's Ministry for the KY backpack ministry? It was full to overflowing! This month they are collecting washcloths. Be in prayer about your participation in this project. If you are interested in the August KY mission trip, there is still room. A deposit of \$100 is needed to save your space. Total cost is \$250 for the week plus travel expense (help with gas and food as you go). Contact Susan at Screven for further information.

- Submitted by Anne Turner

homes. It is simply good stewardship on their parts and ours. We continue to thank the Lord for your part in this ministry as we've had continued financial support, personal encouragement, prayer support—which is vital, and food donations, particularly eggs. Thank you and continue to be blessed! — Submitted by Anne Turner

VBS

Training is scheduled on May 20th at Cordesville First Baptist Church. We will serve breakfast at 8:30 AM and the meeting will begin at 9:00 AM. Please come join us as we make the last minute preparations and that all volunteers have completed the paperwork for the vaccinations.— Submitted by Melanie Lott

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50+ Ministry

On April 21st we held a planning session at the church and had sub sandwiches for lunch. On May 16th at 12:00, we are going to Frankie's Fun Park to

Student Ministry

play miniature golf. We will be meeting at the church at 10:45 to ride together. On June 9 th at 11:00 am, join us at Swamp Fox Lanes for bowling and lunch. Always

We are continuing to

lots of fun. July 7th we are planning to take a boat ride on Lake Moultrie and have lunch on board. – Submitted by Helen Joy

mission work and are excited to see how God will use us to accomplish His work.

—Submitted by Melanie Lott

Children's Ministry

Our children's ministry is continuing to grow spiritually and in number. Please pray for the ministry and for the children. Ask Mrs. Donna how you can help. If you don't feel called to help directly with children, maybe you can help with supplies, planning, preparation, by bringing a meal on a Wednesday night, or simply helping clean up af-

garden and to help with the REAL MEALS as our



ter the Wednesday night meals.

There are now 3 groups of children- nursery, K-2nd grade, and 3rd-5th grades. If you have children, grandchildren, someone else's children, please help us get them to church!

—Submitted by Melanie Lott

Educational Ministry

As the academic year comes to a close, graduation will be held on June 22.

Folks who have not completed will need to reregister for the Fall School Session. If you are willing to donate the \$50.00, please mark it for educational ministry. These donations can be made online through Tithely, in the collection plate, or the collection box in the front vestibule.

We have the capability to offer more digital literacy (computer) training. Please let Melanie Lott know what kind of training you are interested in so we can get that scheduled.

— Submitted by Melanie Lott



In support of the Kentucky Backpack Ministry, we are collecting items monthly to pack the backpacks. This month we are collecting

Women's Ministry

This month we considered the fact that the Joy we find in prayer is found by spending time with the Lord. Scripture abounds (and so do many of our hymns/songs) with references of our joy in the Lord as we are in His Presence. Personally, because His Joy is so amazing and beneficial, why do we ever want to walk away from Him or allow our busyness, and choices to rob us of the delight of His Presence?

Since supporting and educating about various missions, we had a report from those who attended the annual Missions Conference about the one thing that made the most impact of each of them perwashcloths and next month we are collecting canned ravioli. The men's meeting will be on May 15 at Calvary. If you aren't already, please join us on Thursdays at the barn for the men's bible study. — Submitted by Melanie Lott

sonally. It is heartbreaking to hear of the sextrafficking occurring overseas. and in our own area and country. It was encouraging to hear of efforts to work with like-minded Christians to reach those around us. It is refreshing to hear what we've known, that we are to work cooperatively within the Church to reach our lost, broken world—it isn't an denominational us vs. them, it is Christ's Church reaching out. What is cool is seeing that cooperation coming together in the Cordesville Community outreach!

Romona Glover is being led to serve on a medical mission team this summer in Latin America. We need to covenant together to pray for this mission and her now and throughout the time they will be gone. The Lord is preparing hearts. We can also assist/partake in the trip with financial support. Pray and see where the Lord leads you.

—Submitted by Anne Turner

Editor's Note: Romona has also asked for donations of small brown paper bags to dispense medication in.

REAL MEAL Mission

Mr. Melvin Johnson has prepared the garden area and it will be ready for planting very soon. Mr. Melvin has agreed to build some raised garden beds so that those who are unable to bend or get up and down easily to participate. These vegetables will be used in the REAL Meals that we will be preparing on Fridays for our sick and shut-ins of our community. Beverly Villeponteaux is the contact to register to receive these meals. She can be reached at the church office at 843-761-4710.

Our target date of the first meal is June 2nd. Please keep this ministry and its workers in your prayers and see Pam Gaskins to find out how you can get involved. Both Marvins of Moncks Corner and Wabi Sabi have agreed to donate seeds or plants. Please let them know that we appreciate their support when you do business with them.

On May 20, there will be a yard & bake sale at the church parking lot. If you would like to have a booth, there will be a 10.00 fee and you keep the proceeds. If you are donating the proceeds to the REAL MEAL mission, there will be no fee.

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Pastor's Corner

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Pastor Mark has been continuing to preach from Nehemiah on Sundays. We are studying the need to rebuild the wall, Nehemiah's request, and God's provision through the King.

We are also learning how opposition mounted and how God continues to meet the needs and provide for His people who are doing His will. The people set their minds to do the work and did it. On Sunday nights, we have been studving in Revelation. Last Sunday, Pastor Mark went over the results of the church congregational survev that will be used to help form the job description for the new pastor.

To me, these sermons are right on time as far as our efforts in our community. We are seeing continuous confirmation that we are joining God in His work. He is providing far beyond our expectations. —Melanie Lott

Pastor Search Committee

We have received several resumes and will begin reviewing those. The admin team is also working on the financial package. The search committee will be developing a covenant (agreement) that will be used once a Pastor has been selected and accepts the position.

Please continue to pray for unity and wisdom for the search committee, admin committee, and the Pastor and his family that the Lord is calling.

—Submitted by Melanie Lott.

Music Ministry

Choir practice is on Sunday afternoons at 5 PM.

—Submitted by Perry Gaskins

Macedonia Middle Ministry

We will be working on an end of year activity in May. Please stay tuned for more information.

—Submitted by Pam Gaskins