Cordesville First Baptist Church

November Newsletter

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Important Dates

- Nov 2, 9, 16, & 30— Men's Bible Study at the Barn
- Nov 3, 10, 17, 24 & 27— R.E.A.L. Meal Fridays
- Nov 5– Trial Sermon
 & Dinner on the
 Grounds
- Nov 7, 14, 21& 28—
 Food Pantry
- Nov 10– Cake Roll Fundraiser Delivery
- Nov II— Community Cares Day
- Nov 12—Special
 Called Business Mtg
- Nov 13— Admin Mtg, WMU & Men's Brotherhood
- Nov 16— Community Meeting at CFBC– Board Elections

Next GED Registration event will be held in November.

We need volunteers on Friday, Nov 24 for our Real Meals Program. Please see Melanie Lott or Pam Gaskins if you are able to assist.

Women's Ministry

The Janie Chapman offering for State Missions was nearly \$800. All funds will be used within our state to further ministry in outreach, church plants and meeting needs of the served communities.

In December, we will be collecting the Lottie Moon Christmas offering. All funds will go to international missionaries to use to extend ministries beyond what the Cooperative gives to grow their ministries. No administrative costs are involved. Please prayerfully consider how you've been blessed this year and how does the Lord want you to bless others with the Gospel. It's our opportunity to reach beyond our borders—if we're not called to "GO", we are called to support/serve financially, and prayerfully. On October 27, we were blessed to be able to participate in the Macedonia Middle School Community Day. We were the only church invited. We spoke with nearly every student offering bracelets inscribed w/ "God plan=Love John 3:16" in the black, red, white, green, gold colors of the plan of salvation. We also offered a card w/the related Scripture, as well as flyers for Trunk or Treat and the Music Festival—oh, and Blow-pops too. Many students took the bracelets then asked permission to also have a candy. Several who hadn't picked up the Scripture card returned to get one. Pray for these students that the Word will touch hearts.

We delivered 50 pairs of new tennis shoes to Bonner Elementary and 50 pairs for Macedonia Middle. They were enthusiastically received by the guidance counsellors as they have students in need due to adverse situations, such as homelessness.

November mission action opportunities:

Pray for our church and continuing outreach to the community and beyond.

Help keep Blessing Box stocked.

Help with REAL meals –
Check w/Pam if you are
available to see where help
is needed. Help is often
needed for prep, cooking,
serving, and delivering.

Help with Children's Ministry programs on Wednesday evenings.

-Submitted by Anne Turner

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Music Ministry

Choir practice is at 5PM on Sundays in the Sanctuary. We are beginning

to practice and prepare for the Christmas Cantata. If you want to be a part of the program, please join us for practice. If you have any questions, please contact Perry Gaskins.

Restoration Journey

This past month, we saw almost double the families that we've been seeing regularly. We also were blessed with the donation of the meat from two more deer. One more is promised/hoped for but assistance with the processing costs would be appreciated. With the increase in families and, the increased gro-

cery costs our financial needs continue.

We've had several families from out of our geographic area come for assistance. We don't turn them away, Jesus wouldn't, would He? We do provide food one time and give them a list of resources closer to their homes encouraging good

stewardship.

We are so very blessed and thankful for the donations of funds, canned goods, prayer, and encouragement. Thank you for your continued support!

-Submitted by Anne Turner

50+ Ministry

We had a good group for bowling. It is always lots of fun! We are scheduled to go to Mepkin Abbey for the Crèche Festival on November 27,2023 at 10 AM. I only have 10 spaces left for the group.

In December we usually have dinner then go to the

Christmas Tree Lights in Moncks Corner.

-Submitted by Helen Joy

Parsonage Repairs and Upgrades

Parsonage repairs and upgrades are complete! If you have not had an opportunity to take a look, please contact Gene Brenner, Tommy Edens, or Terry Williams.

Floors have been installed, the pergola has been added and the porch has been extended The façade of the parsonage has been given a facelift and the landscaping looks great! The pantry cabinet has been built and installed and painting is done. Counter tops have been replaced and the bathroom has been remodeled.



We have collected \$23,295.20 towards the \$30,000 loan.

Cake Roll Fundraiser was wrapped up and we estimate that we earned \$544.00 towards the parsonage. Delivery scheduled on November 10.

-Submitted by Melanie Lott

Men's Ministry

The next Associational Men's meeting will be Monday, November 20, 2023, at Memorial Baptist Church in St. George. Men, please mark your calendars. We've had 5-9 men attending the meetings this past year who've reported that they've enjoyed the fellow-

ship, camaraderie, food, and desserts.

Several men were involved last month in working with Point North Hope Builds to build wheelchair ramps for homebound disabled folk in our Cordesville community. Another wheelchair ramp build is scheduled for midNovember. These needs were identified through our community REAL meals program. As a result, hearts are softening and opportunities for spiritual conversations are developing.

Submitted by Anne Turner

Making It R.E.A.L.



Reflecting Emmanuel's Amazing Love

REAL MEAL Ministry

The number of meals served weekly is running about 73-75. Any leftover food is plated and delivered to those families who have the greater needs. The Lord is providing increasing opportunities for spiritually focused conversations as we visit, deliver the meals, pray with our folk and they see love in

action. Please prayerfully consider how you can be involved! This is mission action within our community!

-Submitted by Anne Turner

Editor's Note: We are asking for you to consider donating your time once a month for about 5 hours. See Pam Gaskins to see what week works best for you.

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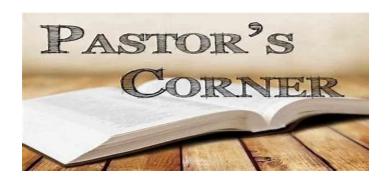
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Pastor Search Committee

We have met with a potential pastor and his wife. He will be visiting and preaching a trial sermon on Sunday, Nov 5th. We will have a church social to allow everyone to meet he and his wife. A church vote is scheduled to be held on Sunday, November 12.

—Submitted by Melanie Lott.



Interim Pastor Mark & Jackie George

We had a social to honor Pastor Mark and Jackie George on Sunday, October 29.

Here is his response:

Dear <u>Cordesville First Baptist</u> Family: thank y'all so much for the privilege to serve alongside you as your interim pastor. I believe God brought us together for

a time and for this season. I believe that

He has done a work in our midst and many of your lives and has prepared y'all for your next pastor who will lead you into a new season of very fruitful Ministry. Your expressions of pastor appreciation today and over the past few weeks has been a blessing to us!

We say THANK YOU to the church and to the many individuals that have given us gifts showing that appreciation. Blessings to ALL!!!