

Christian Education Report Sept to Oct 8th

1. **It is our recommendation:** that all programs/functions/events going on in the church be posted in the weekly bulletin as not everyone sees the posters or has email access. It is vital that we promote all programs and events hosted at the church. If our congregation is not aware of what is going on their church, how can we expect them to share information – as they won't have anything to share!
2. **Fall Registration Night:** Holly & Antoinette attended the Sept 10th Fall Registration night event. We spoke to many folks about the upcoming programs and answered as best we could about the merging of the two congregations. We had 17 responses to our survey and 2 lucky winners of the rhubarb crisps. The results from the survey are as follows:
 - 14 identify as Christians; 1 identified as spiritual (does not need a church to be faithful); 2 did not believe in God (were not raised to believe)
 - 6 attend church weekly; 1 never goes; 10 attend church sporadically
 - All 17 thought that the church's role in the community is vital (especially for the believers) as they give support to the community through donations and volunteer hours.
 - All 17 thought the role could be larger – offering other programs, services at different times/days, more camps, and opportunities for socialization.
3. **Kids Klub:** our first program of this school year was Thursday Oct 2nd with 3 students pre-registered. Unfortunately, no one showed up. We aren't sure as to why - but think it had to do with the last day of school before the teacher's strike. We have 6 registered for the Oct. 9th program, so are praying that we will have a better turnout.
4. **OMG Day Camp:** Oct 3rd we had 10 registered with 8 attending. It was a wonderful day as we explored 2 Timothy 1:1-14. The relationship between Paul and Timothy; the relationship between Eunice and Lois with Timothy and how we can love others as family even when we aren't blood relatives – we are all children of God and belong to God's family.
5. **Safe Halloween Party** – slated for Friday Oct 31st from 3:30 – 6 PM The day camp participants are excited about this event. This year's theme will be **Glow & Joke in the Dark** It will NOT be pitch dark as we will have fairy lights strung around the rooms – we don't want to scare any young ones – there will be NO strobe lights. We will have some games similar to last year (bowling; glo stick hoopla, glow corn hole, musical game; decorate t-shirts) and adding a bit of stand up comedy by participants. We would like to use the microphone cube for this event. We will need volunteers at each game station to hand out bags of candy to all participants and someone in the kitchen to serve food & refreshments (not too sure yet what). Props we will need:
 - glo bracelets and other glo sticks,
 - fairy lights,
 - glow balloons
 - command strip hooks,
 - corn hole game
 - volunteers