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RON'S REFLECTIONS

Last Wednesday I travelled with a few brothers from local churches to southeastern Kentucky and spent the night with some friends that were made during the rebuilding effort following the flood two years ago in the Breathitt County region. As we sat with the gentleman who gladly put us up for the night, we reminisced with him and listened to him recount some of the incredible stories that had come out of the experience. So much loss of life and possessions, and so much heart ache was experienced there among the locals. The next morning, we stopped in to see another gentleman and his wife who had also lost nearly everything due to the raging river that ravaged their house and land on that fateful night. One phrase in their stories was spoken repeatedly, "God is merciful and faithful."

Our journey was not over, and we travelled on towards Asheville and the surrounding region. Our destination was the town of Spruce Pine that was recently hit hard by hurricane Helene. It was truly difficult to comprehend the extreme and increasing level of devastation that we encountered from about 40 miles north of the town and it was ongoing until we reached our destination. I've seen lots of flood damage before, but this vast amount was truly mind boggling. My heart hurt and I felt nauseated as I thought about the terror and trauma that so many individuals and families had and continue to experience in the western North Carolina and east Tennessee region. The weather is changing, winter is coming.

Helene's extreme rainfall, 36-40 inches, combined with high winds had literally combed the trees from many of the mountains, swept away many homes, possessions, displaced miles of railroad tracks, roads and bridges. And 40 days later, chain saw crews are still one of the number one requests as there are still roads and properties that need clearing. Slowly but surely roads and bridges that were blocked and washed out are being cleared and rebuilt. Remaining houses and stores are being mucked out as the local population begin the hard work of recovery and rebuilding. Disaster relief organizations like Samaritan's Purse and Baptists on Mission are reaching the point of transition from recovery to emergency rapid rebuild. They want to get as many people as possible out of tents and back into a portion of their own homes before winter sets in. Volunteers are needed!

We were privileged to be assigned one of the first rebuild projects by the organization that put us up for the nights we were there. So we spent Friday, insulating and drywalling where water had damaged the inside of a house, and insulating the floor of the same house in a 30" crawlspace still wet and muddy. Yet, during all this, we witnessed something else. We witnessed the compassion of Jesus in action.

We were privileged to see the hands and feet of Jesus. People of all ages from all over the country, have lovingly and sacrificially laid their normal lives and schedules down to come and serve the Lord by doing the dirty, hard, back breaking labor of helping their fellowman recover and rebuild. Others offered their skills and talents by working to prepare meals for displaced people and the volunteers. Still others used their administrative skills to register volunteers, manage the donations, oversee tool distribution, assess damage on houses, operate a medical clinic, give neck and back massages to the workers in the evenings, do laundry, and prepare meals for 150 people out of their own kitchens several times a week. The work is far from over. Even as the horror of September 26-27 fades in the minds of those unaffected, we want to help and facilitate others who would also be interested in being the hands and feet of Jesus. There are many ways to get involved. We are looking for camping trailers in good condition to send down as well as coordinating teams of volunteers to go spend a several days or a week soon. Contact us if you are interested. God loves you and God commands us to love and help our neighbor. Love ya.

Pastor Ron

Call or text Pastor Ron
330-704-3690



PRAYER REQUESTS



Please consider writing a card, sending a text, making a call, or visiting some of our church family members that are going through a rough time. There are cards available in the church office if you need some. If you need additional info, please contact Katie Harsh or Pastor Ron Embleton.

Mary Ellen Yoder- 850 Sunnyside St. SW, Hartville 44632; 330-904-2105

Eva Kuhns Potts- 1420 Smith-Kramer St. NE, Hartville 44632; 330-453-0748

Kathleen Patterson- 1976 Gulf St. NW, Uniontown 44632; 330-877-1606

Audrey Ritter- 11750 Klinger Ave, Alliance 44601 Altercare of Alliance Rm 406; 330-823-8263

Ruth DeLong- 4900 Massillon Rd. Apt. 19, North Canton 44720; 330-697-5323

Wayne & Marjorie Byler- 10911 Market St. W, Uniontown 44685; 330-412-4651

Denise Petersen- 1979 Andrews St. NE, Hartville 44632; 330-705-5381

Lynn Schrock- 2995 Raymond St. Uniontown 44685; 330-801-6054

Nan Petty- 3069 Summerset Dr. Akron 44321; 330-594-7031

READ THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

This year's Bible Reading Plan give us a little more flexibility. Instead of 7 days, it is only 5, that way in case you miss a day you're not behind. We hope it helps you read through your Bible in a year! Happy reading!

Week 45

Ezekiel 31-33; John 11

Ezekiel 34-36; Psalm 86; John 12

Ezekiel 37-39; Psalm 87; John 13

Ezekiel 40-42; John 14

Ezekiel 43-45; Psalm 135; John 15





This week at a glance

SCHEDULE

NOV 10 - 16

SUNDAY MORNING

8:30am - Preservice prayer
9:00am - Coffee & fellowship

9:30am - Sunday School

Worship Service
10:30am - Main Service

FOR THE RECORD

OFFERING UPDATE

2024 Weekly Budget: \$5,340

Last Week: **\$2,740.00**

Offering Average: \$4,389.82

Attendance for Nov 10, 2024: 97
2024 Attendance Average: 126

WEEKLY

Tuesdays

6:30pm: Grief Recovery Class

Wednesdays

8:00am: Senior Men's Bible Study

Thursdays

5:30-7:00pm: Community Dinner.

Fridays

9:30am - Senior Community Group

WEDNESDAYS

8:00am - Senior Men's Bible Study

6:15pm: Prayer gathering

7:00pm: Adult & Youth Bible Study

Family Night details on Page 7

Knowing Jesus, Growing in Jesus, & Loving Others like Jesus

SERVING LEADERS

Children's Director: Nicole Miller

Nursery Director: Rachel Beachy

For the week of Nov 13 - 19

Children's Church: Gabby Cymbal & Ashleigh Matter

Nursery: Nicole Miller & Izzie Beachy

Bread: Kevin Beachy

Worship Leader: Jacob Coblentz

Guest Speaker: Total Living Center founder Ben Kariuki

Dinner Coordinators: Brian & Christie Johnson



For the week of Nov 20 - 26

Children's Church: Nicole Miller & Izzie Beachy

Nursery: Joyce Serdinak & Sarah Byler

Bread: Dorman Kuhns

Worship Leader: Mike King

Guest Speaker: Dan Kamwesa from The Vincent House

Dinner Coordinators: Jesse & Erma King

If you'd like to serve in one of these ministries please see the serving leader of the ministry or Katie Harsh.

Happy Birthday

NOV 19- ELLIOT SCHLONEGER

NOV 21- ESTHER HERSHBERGER

COMMUNITY LIFE GROUPS

DISCIPLES MAKING DISCIPLES

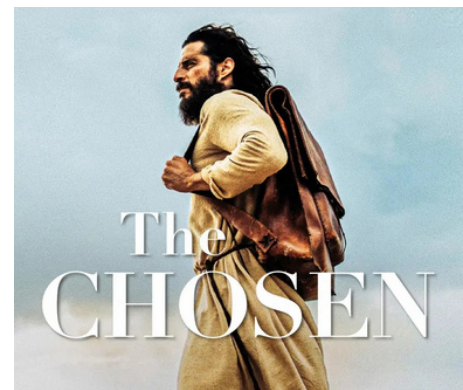
Jason & Chelsea Breda's

Join us in **Apologetic Potluck!** Bring a snack or side dish for after church service to share as we embark in a 12-week course that teaches you how to combat the 7 most common objections to Christianity. Join us the **1st & 3rd Sundays every month @ the church from 12:30PM - 2PM**. All ages welcome!



Brian & Christie Johnson's

Meeting **every other Tuesday** we are currently watching and discussing the 3rd Season of the Chosen. This group meets **at Brian & Christie's home: 336 King Church Ave, Hartville Ohio 44632 at 6pm**. Pastor Ron leads this group. We would love to have you join us!



Clay Akins'

Are you a young adult looking for a small group to join? You are welcome here! This group is connecting **every other Friday @ Clay's house (8632 Wedgewood Ave North Canton 44720) @ 7PM**.



INTERESTED IN JOINING?
CONTACT PASTOR RON OR KATIE HARSH
330-877-1250 | 330-685-2689

WEDNESDAYS.

FAMILY NIGHT | 7-8:30PM

CORNERSTONE YOUTH GROUP

Our youth group ranges from 6th grade through 12th grade. They are led by our wonderful youth leaders, Ivan & Carolina Venegas. Each week has the potential for God to reveal new things to the kids as they read their Bibles together. They are currently going through a series on apologetics. Great opportunity to bring a friend!



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Come join a wonderful group of men of all ages where we discuss how to interpret the Bible (hermeneutics). We also discuss what the Bible has to say of things going on in the world and our lives, pray and worship. Jason Breda and Pastor Ron lead this group and are working through the book of Romans.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



We are studying through the book of Romans for the rest of the year. We are learning so many good and practical truths and how to apply these wonderful truths to our everyday lives. Pastor Ron's wife, Wanda, leads this group wonderfully. Woman of all ages are welcome. We pray for each other and share our hearts with one another.

DISCIPLESHIP

focused.



"ONLY A DISCIPLE CAN MAKE A DISCIPLE." - A.W. TOZER

In Matthew 4:18-22, along the shores of Galilee, Jesus saw two fishermen, Simon and Andrew, casting their nets. He called to them, saying, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Without hesitation, they dropped their nets and followed. Moments later, Jesus called James and John, and they too left everything behind. These ordinary men answered Jesus' call to a new purpose, walking alongside Him, learning from Him, and ultimately carrying His message to the world.

This story reminds us that discipleship begins with a willingness to leave behind what is comfortable to follow Jesus' call. Just as those first disciples were invited into a mission greater than themselves, we, too, are called to step out of our routines, follow Jesus with full commitment, and share His message with others. Their obedience and courage transformed them into people who would change the world—a mission we are invited to continue today.

Being a disciple means following Christ and encouraging and training others to do the same. Jesus' mission continues today through us, His followers, and He commissions each of us to make disciples wherever we are. This passage reminds us that the call to discipleship is also a call to make disciples—just as the early disciples received, they then gave. In our own lives, we're called to pour into others, guiding and encouraging them to follow Jesus. When we step into this mission, we participate in a legacy that changes lives and reaches into eternity.

Challenge: Consider who in your life may be seeking mentorship. Who have you approached to offer discipleship? This week, reflect on who comes to mind and make an effort to reach out. If no one stands out, take a moment to pray and ask God to help you identify someone.

- Jason Breda

APOLOGETIC POTLUCK

ONLY 3 MORE LESSONS LEFT
THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17
FROM 12:30-2PM

This week → IS THE
NEW TESTAMENT
RELIABLE?
PART 1

WITH
FRANK TUREK

THE
NEW TESTAMENT
OF
OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR
JESUS CHRIST
Translated out of the original Greek
with the former translations dilig-
ently compared and revised by
the

PARABLES OF JESUS

LAST WEDNESDAY
OF EVERY MONTH

adult & youth study



At Cornerstone, we emphasize discipleship based on Titus chapter 2, where older members mentor the younger generation. On the last Wednesday of each month, youth join adult Bible studies to explore Jesus' parables through collaborative learning. Upcoming meetings are:

- **November 20:** Parable of the wise and foolish builders, led by Ivan Venegas
- **December 18:** Parable of the two debtors, led by Pastor Ron

ADVENT CELEBRATION

& CHILI COOK-OFF

DECEMBER

1ST

@ 10AM

JOIN US AT WINGFOOT
LAKE FOR A SUNDAY
MORNING SERVICE
FOLLOWED BY OUR
ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF





LADIES MAKE **and BAKE DAY**

Join us for a delightful crafting gathering on Saturday, December 14, starting at 10 AM, where creativity and community come together! Ladies are invited to enjoy a day of knitting, crocheting, and other exciting crafts. If you love baking, don't miss our cookie exchange at 1 PM — bring your favorite recipe and some delicious treats to share.

This event is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and mentorship, allowing you to connect with others and perhaps learn a new skill or two. Children are welcome to attend, though please note that daycare services will not be available. Feel free to stay for the entire day or drop in for the cookie exchange. We look forward to crafting and sharing cookies with you!



LADIES CHRISTMAS DINNER **DEC 6, DOORS OPEN AT 6PM**

WE ANTICIPATE A FUN AND ENCOURAGING TIME OF FELLOWSHIP. WE'LL ALSO BE REVEALING THIS YEAR'S SECRET SISTER AND ASSIGNING A NEW ONE FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR.

TICKETS ARE ON SALE UNTIL SUNDAY, 11/24/2024

PLEASE PURCHASE THEM SOON FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR GUESTS!