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Celebrating the Good News of the risen Christ especially to:



The Chapel Messenger

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Do all the good you can
 In all the ways you can
 In all the places you can
 At all the times you can
 To all the people you can
 As long as you can.
 -John Wesley

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Love one another.



Fishing lines are flying. Flowers are blooming. Yard equipment is being oiled and used. Gardens are going in. Life blooms, grows, and happens in the light of the sun. I don't know if you've ever noticed, but the body feels a little bit lighter, the joints move a little bit easier, and smiles happen more quickly in the warm sunny days of spring and summer.

The truth is we were made to live, move, grow and enjoy life in the light of the sun and in the light of the Son. As we move past Easter, the key to unlocking life's joy is to draw near to the One who is the Resurrection and the Life, to bask in His grace, and to share grace, mercy and truth with those around us in the way that we live, make our decisions, speak, and give of our time, attention and energy to others.

You know the old saying, "April showers bring May flowers." The flowers represent new life. As ambassadors of Christ, we are representatives of the new life that Christ has given to us and to all who will believe. May we share that new life with all those that we know and see. For life happens and grows in the sun and in the Son.

Blessings,
 Pastor Tim

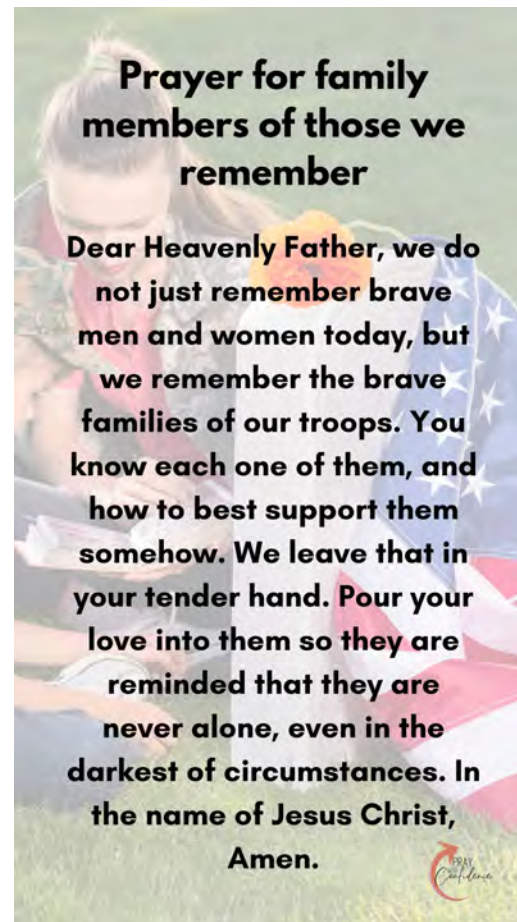
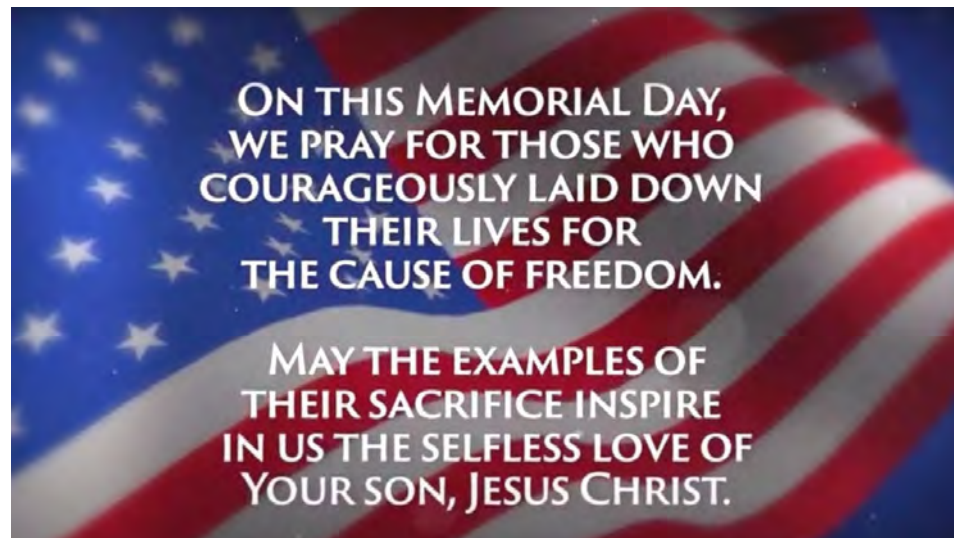


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- 4 Tommy Pritts
- 5 Emily Boothby
- 7 Dan Shroyer
- 8 Joe Smiach
- 9 Darrell Pletcher
Victoria Hearn
- 10 Brad Pletcher
- 11 Jack Pletcher
- 12 Steven Merchant
- 14 Paula Draheim

- 15 Mike Hearn
Michael Pletcher
Cathie Lester
Lauren Hardwig
- 16 Jill Shultz
Reed Breegle
- 17 Lori Pletcher
- 19 Ashton Kellman
Brooklyn Monteith
- 20 Cole Pritts
- 21 Harry Hoover
Miranda Rush
- 22 Sara Blough
Tricia Martin
Danyelle Burkholder
- 25 Kelly Smiach
Ethan Pletcher
- 28 Mark Temple
- 31 Mary Ellen Hoover
Ryan Sechler
Hannah Kohan



- 2 Tom & Lorie Skelton
- 3 Kris & Andrea Kellman
- 8 Rob & Christine Singo
- 11 Jarod & Kristy Hoover
- 16 Matt & Kaitlyn Miller
- 25 Michael & Erin Heiple
- 26 Ray & Deb Ankeny
- 30 Bryan & Crystal Smith
Darrell & Angie Pletcher





Our Country/Leaders
 Our church/Wesley Chapel
Pastor Tim Monteith & family
Presiding elder James Golla
Ethan, Forrest & Barb Stark
 Maxine Temple
 Ralph & Chop Pletcher
 Darlene Stevanus
 Gail Miner
 Persecuted Christians
 Police officers/military
 First responders
 Medical personnel
 Unsaved loved ones
 Rex Temple
 Kristi Burkett
 Jade Hetz Chun
 Emily Lemmon
 Amber Johnson
 Tina Yinkey
 Myron & Jennifer Deal
 Terry & Kathi Schmuck
 Cook Ohler & family
 Gary Weimer
 Maxx Stevanus
 Israel
 Travel mercies
 Unspoken
 Kevin Seifert
 Vance Halverson & family
 Peggy Slope
 Dave Nedrow
 Jenn Delano
 Calvin & Rhonda Ulderich
 Our Youth
 Brody Dull

Judy Heiple
 Mike Deitz family
 Bud Colflesh
 Joey & Kylie Kooser
 Stacey Gebhardt
 Betty Cameron
 Bob Miller
 Diane Weidner
 Kevin Klein & family
 Sue Hook
 Matt & Stephanie Gebhardt
 Don Nair
 Jake & Deb King
 Denny Griffith
 Gary Sheets
 Larry King family
 Harry & Mary Ellen Hoover
 Avis Thomas
 Joe Laverich
 Sadie Pletcher
 RAH Prayer Group
 James Miller
 Ashley Perez family
 Mrs. Queer
 Local storm victims
 Dorothy Horner
 Larry Cornell family
 Bob Clark
 Shirley Brocht
 Paige Sechler
 Cathy Ong
 Bob Bumbarger, Sr. family
 Evelyn Williard
 Harper Hoover
 Shirley Ankeny & family



Military/Families

Jeremy Allan
 John Benford
 Stephen Bigler
 Ian Blevins
 Gabe Bluebaugh
 Kinzie Bungard
 Aaron Engleka
 Joe Gusbar
 Grant Hanak
 Keith Henry, Jr.
 Landon Henry
 Kristi Hopp
 Jake Johnson
 Jacob Keller
 Lexie Kerns
 Richard King
 Denton Lester, Jr.
 Connor Lisbon
 Kurt May
 Jamie Miller
 Ross Pletcher
 Randall Pritts
 David Rogers
 Max Strasiser
 Randi Thomas
 Charles Trimpey
 Families of fallen soldiers

Serving this month

ACOLYTES Brooklyn Monteith & Amelia Sechler

GREETERS

May 4 Craig & Kim Smith
 May 11 Youth Group
 May 18 Tim & Jill Heiple
 May 25 Jamie & Mindy Singo

OFFERING TEAMS

Craig & Kim Smith & family
 Youth Group
 Tim & Jill Heiple & family
 Jamie & Mindy Singo & friends

*If you are unable to acolyte, greet or usher on your Sunday,
 please find a replacement. Thank you.*

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

May 4	Colossians 2:20-23	Grace Sechler
May 11	Colossians 3:5-11	Dave Henry
May 18	Colossians 3:17-21	Connie Pletcher
May 25	Colossians 4:2-6	Tristan Pritts

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

May 4	Colossians 3:1-4	Joseph Sechler
May 11	Colossians 3:12-16	Linda Henry
May 18	Colossians 3:22—4:1	Forrest Stark
May 25	Colossians 4:7-13	Faith Millin

*If you are unable to read on your Sunday,
 please find a replacement. Thank you.*

LOOKING FOR AWESOME, ENERGETIC, SPIRIT-FILLED
persons to take part in Sunday services. We need greeters and offering teams to fill a Sunday. A reminder that one of your membership promises is SERVICE. In case you're wondering, other promises with membership are PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS and WITNESS. Challenged yet?

Sanctuary flowers for Sunday worship may be reserved in honor or memory of a loved one. Two vases are \$30 and may be taken home to enjoy after worship. Sign up chart is posted by the office door. Please make checks payable to Somerset Floral Co. and give your payment to Shanna Breegle or Kim Smith. Thank you.

"If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."
 -2 Chronicles 7:14



LOOKING INTO THE SKY

As Jesus ascended into heaven, two angels had a message for his disciples.

Directions: Underline the word in each group that doesn't belong. Then write it on the line below to complete the angels' message in Acts 1:11, NIV.

1. strange
same
odd

2. Lazarus
Jesus
Martha

3. who
then
there

4. pear
been
apple

5. taken
cat
dog

6. sky
from
earth

7. you
work
toil

8. desk
chair
into

9. house
hallway
heaven

10. can't
will
won't

11. breakfast
come
lunch

12. nose
back
mouth

13. see
the
hear

14. oval
round
same

15. way
girl
boy

16. his
her
you

17. white
have
black

18. one
seen
two

19. go
low
high

20. sea
heaven
ocean

"This _____ 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ has _____ 4 _____
 _____ 5 _____ 6 _____ 7 _____ 8 _____ 9 _____
 _____ 10 _____ 11 _____ 12 _____ in _____ 13 _____
 _____ 14 _____ 15 _____ 16 _____ 17 _____
 _____ 18 _____ him _____ 19 _____ into _____ 20 _____."

Acts 1:11, NIV

"This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11, NIV

A Wesley Chapel Youth Tradition Brought Back To Life!

The fun tradition of candy making before Easter was brought back this year, and it was a huge success! A total of 14 youth, leaders, family and friends made a whopping 67 pounds of chocolate candy. Items made within the two days included peanut clusters, Toll House/peanut butter sandwiches, raisin clusters and chocolate dipped pretzel rods. Everyone had a great time and fellowship.

~Pam Weimer



Top left: Glen Millin, Faith Millin, Kaitlyn Latuch and Joseph Sechler are quite handy at making peanut clusters.

Top right: Brooklyn Monteith, Grace Sechler, Hannah Latuch and Natalie Latuch are all smiles.

Bottom left: Everyone hard at work.

Bottom right: Lindsay Latuch and Pam Weimer keep up with the melted chocolate demands.

What is a Christian family?

A Christian family is one in which parents so live the Christian life and practice the presence of God that children come to accept God as the greatest reality of life.

A Christian family is one in which each member is accepted and respected as a person having sacred worth.

A Christian family is one that accepts the responsibility of worship and instruction so as to develop the spiritual life of each person.

A Christian family is one that manifests a faith in God, observes daily prayer and grace at meals.

A Christian family is one that is committed to behavior in keeping with Christian ideals for family relations, community life and national and world citizenship.

~Taken from WordContent, May 2002

A Special Thank You... From One Veteran To Another



March 29th has become a day of recognition, remembrance, healing and education. This date marks the 50th Anniversary of Vietnam War Veterans Day. Wesley Chapel's very own Ray Ankeny, a local Vietnam Veteran, met with each of the veterans at Patriot Village to present them with a Vietnam Challenge Coin. Thank you Ray, and all those in our community who have served or who are actively serving in the military. Your sacrifices and commitment to the freedom of others is appreciated.

~Excerpts taken from the Patriot Village Facebook post on March 28.



ASCENSION CRAFT

Use this craft to remember where Jesus is now and the promise of his return.



What you need:

- An adult to help
- 4 cotton balls
- Blue plastic cup
- Glue
- Scissors
- White paper
- Markers or crayons
- Fishing line (about 14")
- Paper clip

What you do:

1. Set the cup upside down. Pull apart the cotton balls, forming cloud shapes, and glue them around the cup.
2. With an adult's help, poke a hole in the bottom of the cup.
3. On the paper, draw and cut out a Jesus figure. Color both sides.
4. Poke a hole atop Jesus, string fishing line through the hole and tie a knot.
5. String the other end through the hole in the cup. Tie the end to a paper clip.
6. Pull up the paper clip to take Jesus into the clouds.



2025
Convoy for
Kidz -
A Make-A
Wish Event

Bring the kids for a day full of trucks, cars, motorcycles, entertainment, food, vendors, auctions, and family fun—all in support of wishes.

When: June 14th, 2025

Where: Georgian Place Shopping &
Office Village
800 Georgian Inn Drive, Somerset,
PA 15501

Barb Stark will be taking any monetary donations or baskets for the raffle. A flyer is posted on the bulletin board if you'd like more information.

BIBLE QUIZ:

According to one account of Jesus' ascension, commonly called the Great Commission, he told the disciples to do several things. Which of the following was not part of Jesus' instructions?

- A. Make disciples
- B. Perform miracles
- C. Teach
- D. Baptize



Answers: B (See Matthew 28:19-20).

We are looking for names of any of our church members who are graduating from kindergarten, high school or college this summer. Please give the names to Connie Pletcher or Pastor Tim with any pertaining information (pictures, etc). Graduates will be recognized Sunday, June 8th during the worship service.



We will be remembering those who have passed on to glory since last Memorial Day at our Sunday worship service on May 25. Please give Shanna any names of persons you wish to be honored.



Our suggested food pantry item for May is laundry detergent. You may bring this or other food donations to the church during the month of May. We are currently supplying the Rockwood Area Food Pantry located at Messiah Lutheran Church in New Centerville. Hours for distribution are 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. Thank you.

Do You Have a Special Sound Need from the Tech Ministry?

If you are planning an anniversary, wedding, birthday, funeral/dinner, etc. with any video, presentations, or music needs for your event in the church or



fellowship hall, please complete the form on the church bulletin board and return to one of the members of the Tech Ministry or the church secretary. This should be done no less than 24-48 hours before the date of your affair. Please remember to have your media on a flash drive with the music in MP3 and video in an MP4 format. Any questions can be addressed by seeing or calling Gary Weimer at 814-926-3551.

2025 Pentecost Geranium Order Form

We will be offering red geraniums again this year to decorate the sanctuary for Pentecost Sunday, which will occur on June 8th. Cost per plant is \$4.00 and orders are due no later than Thursday, May 17th. Please give your orders to Shanna Breegle or return them to the basket on the table in the narthex. **If you'd like to purchase a geranium in memory or honor of a loved one,** please fill out the additional information on the form below. Blessings to you always.



In Memory of _____

Given by _____

In Honor of _____

Given by _____

Total enclosed \$ _____



As usual on the church workday this year, April 19th, several family commitments prevented our members from participating. But as usual, the congregation of Wesley Chapel pitched in and completed many of the usual areas, inside and out, on their own time. Several ladies, including Pam Weimer, Jill Heiple, Kaitlyn Miller, Brittany Weimer, Ashley Sechler and Mindy Singo worked several nights cleaning the hallways, bathrooms and the Sanctuary. The Sanctuary globe lights were cleaned for Easter by Jill and Tim Heiple. Thanks to Dale Shultz, Jamie Singo and Tim Heiple the leaves were blown away from the shrubbery and mulch was placed around the church and parsonage. Mark Temple removed some of the larger shrubs. The Friday before the workday Todd Pritts, Dale Shultz and Jamie Singo looked worked in the mission building organizing equipment.

On Saturday, the 19th, thanks to some willing hearts, we were few but mighty and finished the old and new fellowship halls by cleaning windows, mopping floors and wiping down doors. They were Pam Weimer, Michele Klein, Amy Monteith, Brooklyn Monteith and Linda Henry. Randy Klein helped Mark Temple who was repairing the fellowship roof vent. Ralph Pletcher and Harry Hoover limed the church property and arranged for cleaning the cemetery. Mary Ellen and Harry Hoover filled candles and arranged the paraments on the altar for the Easter Service.

We still have a few more items to complete, but the people of Wesley Chapel always chip in whenever work needs done. If I missed any one that helped, please accept our thanks and blessing on all you do in the Name of Christ.

~Thank you from the Trustees



Left: Ashley Sechler and Britney Weimer sanitize the toddler room.



Right: Kaitlyn Miller helps to wipe down walls.



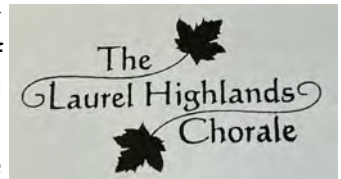
To all concerned,
Ed and I thank you for the delicious and nutritious meals. We pray for your health and happiness.

Yours in Christ, Ed & Kay Beals

Straight from our hearts...thank you for all the pillowcases.

~Nancy Burkett and the Bag Ladies

The Laurel Highlands Chorale will present their annual spring concert - **"In All Kinds of Weather" on Sunday, May 4th at 3:30 p.m.** and Monday, May 5th at 7:00 p.m. The concert will be held at the Somerset Church of the Brethren, located on Berlin Plank Road.



Tickets are \$5.00 at the door or from any chorale member. Please contact Dorene Friedline at 814-926-3610 or 814-442-0460 for tickets and more information. Please consider attending this wonderful singing event!



Where: Scullton Rod & Gun Club

When: Saturday, May 24, 2025

Time: Starts at 8:00 a.m

Come and enjoy a day of fishing. Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be provided for everyone. Parking at the Club House with walk to pond only.



Wesley Chapel members gathered early on Easter Sunday for an Easter sunrise service. Mild temperatures and overcast skies greeted a record 46 members as the service began in the parking lot and continued inside for breakfast and adorning the sanctuary.

Everyone partook of a warm breakfast that consisted of a variety of egg bake casseroles, blueberry casserole, fruit salad, juice and coffee. All made and served by Pam Weimer. Deb Ankeny provided a delicious ham. Ladies, we truly appreciate your dedication and help with this early morning event. Thank you again.



Mother's Day Tidbits

Angel mother

Nancy Hanks Lincoln was still a young woman when she died. Her little boy, Abraham, was only nine. Still, Nancy had taught Abraham so well that **he never forgot her guidance. He often said of his mother: "All that I am or hope to be, I owe to my angel mother."**

On one occasion, Lincoln said, "I remember my mother's prayers and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life."

~Taken from WordContent, May 2004

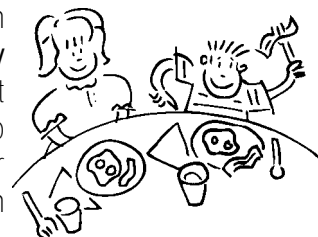
A gift for Mom

The three young children told their mother that she wasn't to lift a finger on Mother's Day. They were going to do all the cooking. So, they got out three pots, two frying pans, six measuring spoons, three mixing bowls, a double boiler, a chopping board and eight serving dishes. Mom said it was the best Jell-O she had ever tasted!

~Taken from WordContent, May 2004

Breakfast in Bed

Two children ordered their mother to stay in **bed one Mother's Day morning. As she lay there looking forward to being brought breakfast in bed, the smell of bacon floated up from the kitchen. Finally, the children called her to come downstairs. She found them both sitting at the table eating bacon and eggs.**



"As a surprise for Mother's Day," one explained, "we decided to cook our own breakfast."

~Taken from WordContent, May 2000

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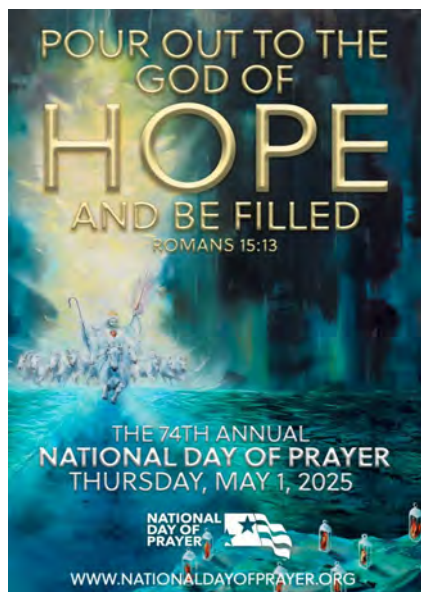
Every child should have the opportunity to hear about Jesus, and thanks to support like yours, many in Ecuador now have that chance. God's Word changes lives, and for a child, it can be the beginning of a lifelong journey of faith.

Recently, OMS Ecuador missionaries, Joe and Dana Stoner helped lead a children's evangelism event in Chongón. More than 500 people attended, and 340 children received their own Bible! These children now have access to the life-giving message of Scripture, a gift that can shape their hearts. Thank you for making an eternal difference in lives around the world.



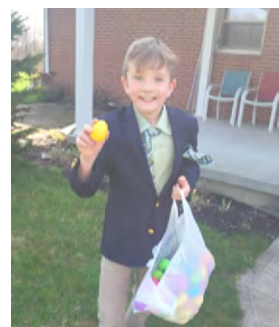
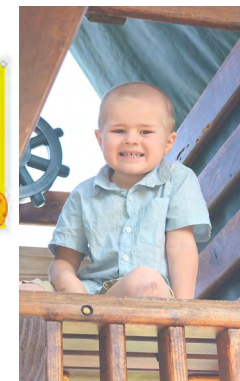
Gratefully,
Jeff Edwards, OMS President

To donate online to any of our OMS missionaries or ministries, go to www.onemissionsociety.org/give.



THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Somerset's National Day of Prayer 2025 is to be held at noon May 1st on the steps of the Somerset County Courthouse. Everyone is invited to join in prayer for our nation. Those interested in attending are encouraged to bring a chair.



A very special thank you to everyone who donated filled Easter eggs for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Thankfully we had beautiful weather, and with the help of Tim & Lindsay Latuch, along with some youth members, the eggs were hidden outside by the playground and parsonage yard. The daffodils and violets made finding the yellow and purple eggs difficult this time of year. So many smiles and laughs were shared. *Disclaimer:* We apologize for any sugar highs that may have resulted in the mass quantities of candy your children brought home.

Update from Pastor Francis who serves in Malawi.



Below is a brief summary of Compassionate Mission Center's Newsletter, whose organization Wesley Chapple provides support. If you'd like to read the entire article, please see the church's bulletin board. Thank you and God bless.

Compassionate Mission Center (CMC) is a faith based local, non-political, non-profit making organization whose mission is to promote the lives of the under-privileged common Malawians i.e., orphans, women, the elderly, the youth. The ultimate goal is to eliminate poverty, hunger, disease, illiteracy, and suffering.

The Orphanage: It takes 3500 USD every month for us to run the orphanage. This includes food, basic needs like soap, lotion, toiletries, tooth paste and brushes, clothes, fire wood for cooking, electricity and water. Sometimes a meal at a time, trusting the Lord just to bring the next meal in time. We currently have 93 children at the Center.

Let There Be light: Sara Biard, CEO for Let There Be Light International has been instrumental in making sure we provide solar lights to the poor of the poorest in our communities. These are people who struggle to light their homes. A solar light costs 8 USD and many more are needed.

Food Aid: CMC is in need of a lot of food to feed the hungry this year. A 50kgs bag of maize is selling at 60 USD. A 50kgs bag of rice is selling at 89 USD. Food prices are up. Please join hands to feed the hungry.

Housing the Homeless: There is a great need to have the homeless housed. The child headed families, the orphans, the elderly, the sick...with 1700 USD we can build a habitable house. Our other focus is church buildings that are in need of roofs.

People Living with Disabilities: During our outreaches, we assess people living with disabilities. They are from different far reached areas. Some must visit the hospital more than 4 times. It takes 200 USD to transport them per trip and 270 USD to buy a wheelchair.

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Left: Grace Sechler & Brooklyn Monteith smile while squeezing grapes.



Right: Angie Millin helps Ada & Amelia Sechler get all the juice out of their grapes.



Left: Canaan Sanner smiles and waves while pressing his grapes.



Right: Maddox Miller experiments with how sticky his dough is.



Above: All the boys have fun squishing the homemade dough.

AGAPE WRAP-UP!

The Agape crew met for the last time (until Fall) to make resurrection gardens and also homemade communion bread and fresh squeezed grape juice. The gardens were taken home by each child and tended to until **Easter Sunday when they can remove the stone from the "tomb."** The communion bread and juice were enjoyed by members of the congregation during the Maundy Thursday Service.

Thanks again to the Millin family for sharing their love of Christ with our children. Your hard work and dedication is truly a blessing to our church family!



Top left: Angie Millin helps Caleb Weimer, Talon Miller and Cameron Weimer add dirt to their gardens.



Top right: Mark Millin shows the kids how to fill their gardens.



Above and right: Completed Resurrection Gardens, before and after growth.



Water, Water, Safe Water: In Malawi, we still have places, villages and communities which are using cisterns, shallow wells and rivers for both drinking and house chores. This century women and girls are being raped because they are waking up in the wee hours in search of water. Children and mothers are drowning in rivers and cisterns as they fetch water. Goats, cows, pigs and sheep are drinking from the same spot with people. With 3500 USD we can drill a new well.



Top left: A child just got his knees fixed from Beit Cure International.



Top Right: Malawi villagers get clean water from a well.

Bottom left: A local woman and her family stand in front of their new home. Heavy rains destroyed their original house.







Bottom right: Children from the orphanage wait in line for a meal.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>You are encouraged to remove this center page calendar and place it on your refrigerator for the month for reference.</div>				1  <i>*Ryan, Michele, Joseph & Grace Sechler</i>	2 <i>*Shaun, Lori, Carter & Reese Shaulis</i>	3 <i>*Barry Shelley</i>
4  HOLY COMMUNION Wesley Missions <i>*for the Holy Spirit's presence in your life</i>	5 <i>*Larry & Maxine Shelley</i>	6 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Dale & Jill Shultz</i>	7 <i>*Hunter Shultz</i>	8 <i>*Michael, Kenisha, Rayne Aguilar, Brayden & Mikayla Shultz</i>	9 <i>*Jamie & Mindy Singo</i>	10 <i>*Jeremy Singo</i>
11  HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! <i>*our mothers & grandmothers</i>	12 <i>*Robert & Christine Singo</i>	13 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Tom & Lorie Skelton</i>	14 <i>*Joe, Kelly, Avery, Aubrey & Isaac Smiach</i>	15 <i>*Bryan, Crystal & Thayne Smith</i>	16 <i>*Craig & Kim Smith</i>	17  ARMED FORCES DAY <i>*Creed & Kaylie Smith</i>
18 <i>*thanking God for your blessings</i>	19 <i>*Diane Smith</i>	20 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Matt & Kim Smith</i>	21 <i>*Taylor Smith & Molly Miller</i>	22 <i>*Tammy Snyder</i>	23 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE <i>*Forrest, Barb & Ethan Stark</i>	24 <i>*Shawn, Holly, Elijah, Andrew, Sam & Abigail Stene</i>
25 MEMORIAL SUNDAY <i>*military families who lost loved ones</i>	26  HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY <i>*Darlene Stevanus</i>	27 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Mark, Morgan & Maxx Stevanus</i>	28 <i>*Hope Renee (Steyer) Struckoff & Ira Steyer</i>	29  ASCENSION DAY <i>*Lloyd & Judy Struckoff</i>	30 <i>*Kyle, Symanthia, Gunner & Zane Temple</i>	31 <i>*Mark & Rene Temple</i>