Mission Focus Creating HOPE

The CBF Offering for Global Missions supports the ministries of 130 CBF field personnel serving in remote villages and large cities around the world. The entire offering received is used exclusively to support field personnel. A <u>few</u> examples of field personnel and their ministries are described below.

<u>Larry and Sarah Ballew</u> serve in Macau, China. Their ministry includes building relationships in local schools, restaurants and other areas where Chinese congregate. "The number one need of everyone we work with is a relationship with Jesus Christ," Larry said.

<u>Diane and Shane McNary</u> serve in Slovakia and Czech Republic with emphasis on Romney people. Their multiple ministries focus on life-changing strategies that dissolve segregation and severe discrimination imposed on the Romney people.

<u>Gennady and Mina Podgaisky</u> serve in Kiev, Ukraine. Upon their arrival in Kiev in 2003 they were shocked to find 17,000 homeless children struggling to survive on the streets of Kiev. Their ministry includes identifying orphans, runaways and children at risk and coordinating efforts to transform their lives. Today, the number of homeless children has been reduced to approximately 3,000.

Give generously and prayerfully to the CBF Offering for Global Missions during December to help sustain the ministries of <u>ALL</u> CBF field personnel. Our goal is \$3,000.00.

OBC Christmas Post Office

Save the cost of postage on cards normally sent to members and families who attend OBC and participate in the OBC Christmas Post Office.

The youth are hosting the Post Office as an opportunity for them to contribute to the Capital Campaign.

The Christmas Post Office will open on Sun., Dec.1 and will be open every Sunday in December. If you would like to participate, please clearly print the recipient's full name in the center of the envelope and your name in the top left corner. Each card will cost \$. 25 to "mail." Deliver your cards to the Post Office, located outside the Pine Room, before or after the 11am service. The youth volunteers will be at the Post Office to greet you and answer any questions.

All OBC members are encouraged to stop by the Post Office to pick-up your Christmas mail!

Salvation Army Kettle Ringing

The Orange County Social Services is asking area churches for volunteers to ring the bell at the Salvation Army Kettle at the Locust Grove Walmart during the upcoming holidays.

Please contact the church office if you would like to volunteer.



Thank You!

Karen and I express our thanks for the heart-warming 7th year ministry recognition you surprised us with on Sunday, October 27. Your hugs, kind expressions of gratitude, and the love offering continue to enrich our lives. We are so blessed by our Lord to serve Him alongside you in this community. We love you and thank you!

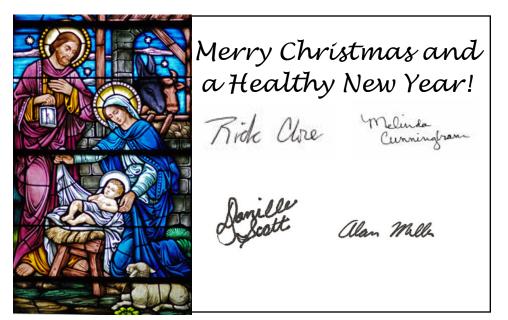
Rick & Karen Clore

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New Baby!

Stephen & Caity Clarke welcome their first child, Ember Rose Clarke.

Proud grandfather is Matthew Clarke.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon., Dec. 2: Valirie Payne circle, 11 AM in Pine Room. Bring a sandwich.

Wed., Dec. 4: NO Music and Missions.

Thur., Dec. 5: Ruth Kersey circle, Noon, Dogwood Village with Alice Jacobs. Bring lunch.

Mon., Dec. 9: Kay Culpeper circle, 1 PM at Emma Clarke's.

6 PM, Carrie Webb circle at Patricia Salyers.

Tues., Dec. 10: Finance meeting, 6:45 PM. 7 PM Ladies' Day In-Cookie Exchange, Pine Room. Church council at 7:30 PM.

Fri., Dec. 13: Happy Agers travel to Barboursville to see "A Christmas Carol" at the 4-county Players Building. Meet at 7:15 PM at the Food Lion parking lot.

Tues., Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Service, 5:30 PM.

Wed. Dec. 25 & Thur., Dec. 26: Church Office closed for Christmas holiday.

Tues., Dec. 31: 7 PM Deacons meeting.

NURSERY HELPERS

- Dec. 1 Cindy McDaniel, Pam & Matthew Goforth 8 Karen Jarrell, Yvette Jarrell, Wendy Rose
 - and Erin DarnellPatricia Salyers, Debbie Kerley, Ashley and Whit Jacobs
 - 22 Dave & Meg Camp and Mayira Cluff
 - 29 Lynette Higginbotham, Sarah Sydnor,
 - Shannon & Greg Conklin

Prayer Concerns

Tom Travers Royce Hughes Bart Daniel Mary Wright Heather Johnson Jan & Gayle Batton Tom Mallory Lisa Miller **Doris Samuels** Shirley Reynolds Charlene Schweikert Phyllis Saintclair Paige Rogers Wilkes George Shifflett **Rick Wheeler** Hank & Melinda Cunningham

Brooke Wheeler Michael Smith Fred Pugh Dorothy Bartley Betty Duffer Lib Brockman G. L. & Jo Haney Lucy Napier Raymond & Mary Strickland Bill Roper Bobby Seal Spurgle Herndon Ellie Blaine Allen Shands

Rev. Mark Hughes Rev. Jack Marcom Rev. Bill Hepler Rev. Garland Day Family of Dick Griffin Linda Snead Samantha Clark Olin Herndon Virginia Long Betty Landrum Kari Brown Susan Hunter Tammy Waters Billy Hahn Judy Racey Robyn Banas Mike Critzer Matt Woods

COUNTERS -- December

Patricia Coleman, Lovedy Papproth,

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LOVE OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Month of December -- Tunafish and canned chicken. Please check the expiration dates of the food you donate.

BUSINESS MEETING, SUN., Jan. 19

The following items/motions will be discussed and voted on: Proposed by-laws from September

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STEWARDSHIP - OCTOBER Unified Budget: Receipts \$ 22,328.78

Paid Expenses Unpaid Expenses (Mission Partners)

\$ 22,263.96 \$ 3,598.17

Capital Campaign: Receipts \$3,347.50

In the Holy Land are two ancient bodies of water. Both are fed by the Jordan River. In one, fish play and roots find sustenance. In the other, there is no splash of fish, no sound of bird, no leaf, around. The difference is not in the Jordan, for it empties into both, but in the Sea of Galilee: for every drop taken in one goes out. It gives and lives. The other gives nothing. And it is called the Dead Sea.

> William Sloane Coffin, former pastor at Riverside Church, New York City









SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE

The nursery committee is asking for volunteers to cover the nursery during the performances of the Christmas Tree. Please contact Carolyn Herndon at 672-2387.

The serving committee needs help preparing food for the choir members during the two days of performances. If you would like to volunteer please contact Cindy Herndon, 434-989-5570.

If you would like to donate food there is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen.

EVENSONG

Join us Thursday nights 6PM for a worship time followed by men's and women's studies, from 6:30-7:30PM. Childcare provided.

Thurs., Dec. 5 at 6 PM is our Potluck meal.

Thurs., Dec. 26 there will be NO Evensong.

The Carrie Webb Circle meeting

Mon., Dec. 9 at 6 PM at Patricia Salyers' home, 13115 Spicer's Mill Road. Anyone is welcome.

Contact Patricia Salyers for more details at 672-5401.

HAPPY AGERS

Fri., Dec. 13, 7:15 PM - Christmas Show in Barboursville. Meet at Food Lion parking lot ready to leave. We'll see the timeless holiday classic, "A Christmas Carol." Total cost \$10 for the play and gas.

Call Cornelia 672-4705 or Doris 672-4139 to let them know you are planning to go. It can take time to organize transportation.

January 21, 2014 is our soup day in the Pine Room. This is when we collect blankets for the clothes closet.

Ladies Night In: A Christmas Cookie Exchange

All ladies are invited to A Christmas Cookie Exchange on Tuesday night, Dec. 10, 7 PM at OBC.

Bring three dozen of your favorite Christmas cookie and the recipe. Wrap up 1/2 dozen of your cookies to give away. All cookies should be homemade; no plain chocolate chip, cookie mixes, or No Bake cookies (no cheating!).

If you don't have time to bake, or you have burnt your cookies , you may go to a bakery and pick up three dozen cookies. Everyone will receive 1/2 dozen cookies to take home, all the recipes from the Cookie Exchange and maybe a prize.

Please RSVP to Mary Beth Miller at <u>mebsmiller@gmail.com</u> or <u>434.249.5303</u>.

Church Newsletter - The Chronicle

Beginning with the January 2014 issue we will be emailing the newsletter. If you wish to continue receiving it by mail, please contact the church office, 672-2996, no later than December 10. We will have some printed copies available in the vestibule each month and it will be posted on our website.

This change will cut down on some expenses: paper, copier cost, postage, etc.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

No youth meeting on Sun., Dec., 1 due to the Singing Christmas Tree Dress Rehearsal.

Middle and Hlgh School Youth are invited to join us for a UVA Men's Basketball game on Sat., Dec. 21. We will depart from OBC at 2:30 PM. Invite your friends and lets celebrate the beginning of your Christmas break together! Bring \$20 for a ticket and gas. You may also want to bring extra money for snack/dinner at the game and we will stop at Cookout after the game.

Please RSVP on Facebook or to Mary Beth Miller at mebsmiller@gmail.com by Dec. 15.

Parents Go Out ~A Christmas Fun Time for Kids~ Drop the Kids & Go Christmas Shopping or Christmas Whatever

December 14, 2013 9AM-2PM or 5-10PM

\$20 per child (ages 4 and up) – Discount for multi-child families with \$20 for first child and \$10 for each additional child.

Children will be supervised at Orange Baptist Church as they enjoy fun Christmas activities - bake and decorate cookies, arts and crafts, making ornaments, gingerbread houses, scavenger hunt, carols, games, movies, etc.

Space is limited. Call now to reserve a spot (540-672-5382 Alyssa McRae). Event is hosted by the Valerie Payne Circle with all proceeds going toward missions.

