



"Step by Step"

Mission Madness March 7 - 9, 2014

Orange Baptist Church will host the
Mission Madness retreat with students
from all over the states of Virginia and North Carolina
to go out and do hands on mission projects
on Saturday, March 8.

Do you... Does a neighbor or someone you know need: your windows washed, yard cleared/raked, room painted, minor home repairs?

If so, please complete and return the application located in the Welcome area outside the Pine Room.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thur., Jan. 2: Ruth Kersey circle, Noon, Dogwood Village with Alice Jacobs. Bring lunch.

Mon., Jan. 6: Valirie Payne circle, 11 AM in Pine Room. Lunch will be provided and remember to bring a "hidden" purse of money for the auction. Kay Culpeper circle, 1 PM at Emma Clarke's.

Wed., Jan. 8: Music and Missions, 5:30 PM.

Tues., Jan. 14: Finance meeting, 6:45 PM. Church council at 7:30 PM.

Mon., Jan. 20: Church Office closed for holiday.

Tues., Jan. 28: 7 PM Deacons meeting.

NURSERY HELPERS

- Jan. 5 Vicky Schafer, Brenda Graves & Greg Hines
 - 12 Christa Edmonds, Katie Wilkerson, and Terry Connell
 - 19 Molly/Graham Crouch, Christina Bowles, and Sara Whiteside
 - 26 Tracey Newman, Garlene Daniel, and Tiffany Graves/Jason Swim

HAPPY AGERS

Tues., Jan. 21, 11:30 AM in the Pine Room - BLANKETS FOR CLOTHES CLOSET

Please bring with you on our annual soup day. Come, invite a friend for good soup, etc. fun and fellowship and with ideas for our future monthly outings. Ask folks they will say it is always enjoyable.

Tues., Feb. 18, 11 AM meet at Food Lion parking lot. We will travel to Michie Tavern for lunch. Totat cost is \$24 including meal, tip, taxes and transportation.

Please pay Doris or Cornelia by February 10.

COUNTERS -- January

Dotty Bradley, Vicky Morris & Martha Jeen Jacobs

LOVE OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Month of January -- Toilet paper & paper towels. Please check the expiration dates of the food you donate.

BUSINESS MEETING, SUN., Jan. 19

The following items/motions will be discussed and/or voted on:

Proposed by-laws from September; Discussion about a new church sign.

SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE

DVDs of the Singing Christmas Tree performance are available in the church office.

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

Several individuals/families took advantage to go shopping, have dinner and/or prepare packages with the help of the Valirie Payne circle providing childcare.

The following pictures show the children participating in the planned activities.











Mission Focus

Change for Children

'One lesson I have learned over the years is that the way up is actually down. When we find ourselves at the end of our own resources and abilities, we are often better placed to be useful instruments and (to) ask for the help we need," Sam Harrell.

Sam and Melody Harrell, CBF field personnel commissioned in 1999, were assigned to Nairobi, Kenya. For five years they have worked with children who are orphaned or abandoned and are living in slum areas. At the time of their assignment there were 60.000 street children and at least twice that number of children not in school and at risk for ending up on the street. Despite Sam and Melody's efforts the number of street children continued to increase. Sam and Melody became discouraged. Out of his discouragement and search for strategies to enhance their work Sam met a native couple who identified the greatest need of the Kenvan children as nursery schools.

Through working with dedicated Kenyan volunteers and partnering with groups in the U.S. (one church located in Richmond) the Harrells have been leaders in establishing education centers in each of the eight provinces in Kenya. The program, Change for Children, is a means of meeting the holistic needs of children throughout Kenya.

You are encouraged to read the Harrell's amazing story in the fellowship magazine, Dec-Jan 2014 issue. Give prayerfully and generously to the Offering for Global Missions to sustain the ministries of Melody and Sam Harrell and other CBF field personnel.

Dear friends and family of OBC,

We would like to thank you with gratitude in our hearts for the love you have shown us in our recent and ongoing health issues with your prayers, cards, meals and caring.

We have been blessed by the love of God you have bestowed on us.

In his grace, Gayle & Jan Batton

THANKSGIVING THANK YOU!

OBC.

Thank you for helping our family.

The Cox Family

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The residents of Belleview Apartments thank you for your donation of turkey, dressing, and sauce. We had a wonderful Thanksgiving meal.

Sue Davis

PRAYER CONCERNS

Family of Tom Mallory Flora Ratcliffe Madeline Reeves Tom Travers Bart Daniel Mary Wright Jan & Gayle Batton & Family Lisa Miller **Doris Samuels** Shirley Reynolds Charlene Schweikert Phyllis Saintclair Paige Rogers Wilkes George Shifflett Rick Wheeler Hank & Melinda Cunningham

Brooke Wheeler Fred Pugh Dorothy Bartley Betty Duffer Lib Brockman G. L. & Jo Haney Lucy Napier Raymond & Mary Strickland Bill Roper Bobby Sea1 Spurgle Herndon Ellie Blaine Allen Shands Erma Boyles & Robyn Banas Roger Dunevant Robert & Karen Kelley

Eddie Taylor Chris Connell Rev. Mark Hughes Rev. Jack Marcom Rev. Bill Hepler Rev. Garland Day Linda Snead Samantha Clark Olin Herndon Virginia Long Betty Landrum Michael Smith Kari Brown Susan Hunter Tammy Waters Billy Hahn Judy Racey Mike Critzer Matt Woods Elijah Muliker Jenny Lee Brown

STEWARDSHIP - NOVEMBER **Unified Budget:**

Receipts \$ 22,591.66

Paid Expenses \$ 26.049.46 Unpaid Expenses \$ 2,267.25 (Mission Partners)

Capital Campaign:

Receipts \$ 10,212.00

OBC has received \$75,000 from the estate of Hazel Payne with instructions that the monies be placed in an interest bearing account and the interest is sent once a year to OBC for the unified budget.



We fondly remember Hazel. Her generosity continues to bless her Lord's work on earth.

"Praying with our Feet"---"Step by Step"

240 pairs of shoes being sorted by our members! Collection continues until May 2014.





RURAL LOVE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Rural Love a ministry with Goshen Baptist Association.

Looking for volunteers with availability in the evenings or weekends to help pickup and deliver furniture to families that have requested furniture and pickup furniture being donated and taken to the warehouse in Mineral. If you have a pickup truck or trailer that would be wonderful to have also.

Could be once or twice a month or as needed. Contact the church office if you would like to volunteer.

Presently we have Buddy Shumake, Tom Woolfolk, and Rae Cooper supplying this need and they are requesting some additional help to lighten the load. We thank them for their continued support.