

Winter Jam 2019 was an amazing time for the teens. The Lord was present and He was glorified. The teens learned the following:

Life in 6 words:

God created us to be with him.

Our sin separates us from God.

Sins cannot be removed by good deeds.

Paying the price for sin, Jesus died and rose again.

Everyone who trusts in him alone has eternal life.

Life with Jesus starts now and lasts forever.

Upcoming events: March 9—Food Drive, March 29—Movie, pizza, games at the church, April 28—Youth Sunday service

Fundraiser Concert: Join us Sunday night, March 17th at 6:30 pm for an evening of music, skits, and comedy. Cassidy Casas, Tracy Ward, and some of our children will be singing for us. The Puppet People and others will be preforming skits. The concert will benefit the Children's Fund to help with different activities throughout the year. There will be a time of fellowship and refreshments following the concert. Mark your calendar and invite your family and friends!



Remember: Set your clocks ahead 1 hour before going to bed on Saturday, March 9th!



March Birthdays

3/2 Jason Horton 3/3 Travis Johnson 3/6 Julie Striplin, Sierra Hurley 3/12 Ron Mills 3/13 Ruth Hedgecock, Joan Honeycutt 3/17 Hannah Wilson 3/19 Mattie McCann 3/22 Tony Phillips 3/24 Emma Lawrence 3/25 Riah Wilson

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Food Drive

March 9th, 10:00 am

Fundraiser Concert

March 17th, 6:30 pm

Church Conference

March 20th, 7:00 pm

Senior Moments Luncheon

March 21st, 11:00 am

What a Pain

As I write this newsletter, I have a toothache. I went to the dentist yesterday and he did nothing to sooth my aching tooth, only told me I need a root canal or an extraction. I'm scheduled for the root canal next week, but in the meantime, I have a throbbing toothache. I know that many of you who read this are also battling something painful; surgeries, rehab, cancer treatments, painful backs and joints. So for all of us suffering with something painful here is a list I read that reminds us there is some value in suffering.

- Suffering produces intimacy with God. (Job 42:5)
- Suffering equips us to comfort others. (2 Corinthians 1:3-5)
- Suffering refines us. (Isaiah 48:10)
- Suffering produces growth and maturity. (James 1:2-4)
- Suffering conforms us into God's image (Romans 8:28-29).

Let me add a few thoughts to this list.

- Remember Jesus suffered great pain to rescue us from eternal pain. (Matthew 27:26-31)
- Remember Heaven is a place where there is no more pain. (Revelation 21:4)
- Remember God's grace is found in the painful times too "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." (2 Corinthians 12:9)

Peace, Kent

Senior Moments Highlights: On Tuesday, March 12th we will be going to Hamrick's for a fun day of shopping. We will leave the church by 9:00 am. For our monthly luncheon on the 21st we will be having a Pizza Party. If you are going on the *Ft. Caswell* trip in May, please pay your balance by April 1st.

Nursery Schedule

Marianne & CC Casas AM
Brenda Grose PM
Ann & Lisa Canada AM
Alice Striplin PM
Tina & Crista Church AM
Nancy Clodfelter PM
Kathy Idol & Alice Striplin AM
Julie Striplin PM
Carlene Compton & Teresa Riggs AM

Children's Church & Wee Church Schedule

March 3, (Children's)	Megan Coleman & Brittney Lewallen
March 3, (Wee)	Robin French & Kathy Horton
March 10, (Children's)	Melissa Little & Carole Blakley
March 10, (Wee)	Julie Striplin & Aaron Sexton
March 17, (Children's)	Stacy & Morgan Bowlin
March 17, (Wee)	Krisi & Kolby Kern
March 24, (Children's)	Susan Kramer & Daughters
March 24, (Wee)	Emma Lawrence & Ashley Wilson
March 31, (Children's)	Need Volunteers-Please see Andy
March 31, (Wee)	Jane & Jill Sutphin



FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES:

- Delivered items to both Hospice Homes; our next Hospice Ministry Sunday will be March 10th.
- Collected some of the most urgent items needed for the Bethesda Center in WS and \$114.01 WOM funds were used to purchase men's and women's underwear for this purpose. (Bethesda Center is a shelter for homeless men & women with programs available to assist the residents to transition back into a stable life.)
- A special thank you goes to Rhianna Weavil for baking and donating 11 dozen cookies for the Hospice Ministry as part of a school service project.
- As a follow up to our donations to the Dress for Success organization, there were 21 purses, 16 shirts/blouses, 3 pr. pants, 2 scarves, 14 pieces of jewelry and 15 pr. of shoes, all which total 71 items donated to assist women in proper dress for reentering the work force. Thank you ladies.
- Signed and mailed Valentine cards for shut-ins.
- On February 25th, several of our WOM members met at the Ronald McDonald House to make desserts and prepare 75 bagged lunches for the residents of RMH. These were then delivered to families who have children staying at the local hospitals.
- Delivered a total of 1,006 desserts to the H.O.P.E. organization in WS.

There are so many organizations and needs all around our community and we are planning additional meaningful mission projects. Please know that each lady is invited to come and join us for our next WOM meeting on **Wednesday, March 6**th.

What a wonderful blessing we receive when we are able to help others as **UNION CROSS REACHES OUT TO SHOW HIS LOVE.**