



Community Ministry Center

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Hello my friends,

The Community Ministry Center is doing well. Our sponsors continue to provide us with food to give to the under resourced. We recently gained some more volunteers and supporters have made donations, though we can always use more of both. Our clientele continues to increase. Unfortunately, many have turned to us since their hours were cut back or they were laid off as the pandemic continues to affect our economy. Fortunately, we have a great group of volunteers and sponsors so we can remain open three times a week.

I want to tell you about our for-profit business this month. The Community Ministry Child Care Center (CMC3) is located at 4044 Plank Road, Fredericksburg VA. Salem Baptist Church allowed us to renovate their Children's Wing to meet the Department of Social Services (DSS) requirements and provide a modern and safe environment for children. We opened for business on October 7, 2019. We have a fabulous Director who has twenty years of experience in childcare. Because of her diligence and caring she has passed three DSS inspections with zero discrepancies. She has enrolled thirty children in our programs which serve ages 6 weeks to 12 years old. She has hired eight wonderful teachers to take care of the children. Our mission is to provide children with a safe and caring environment. Our curriculum is guided by learn every day.

This week, we celebrate our first anniversary. The CMC3 is breaking even due to enrollment and Salem Baptist Church being very generous in its lease terms. We have enough staff (and space under pandemic guidelines) to enroll 20 more children with only a minimum increase in expenses. This means profits can be used to continue to improve our child care facility, provide money to the Community Ministry Center to operate and pay back the interest free renovation loan of \$70,000 and an initial operating loan of \$55,000 which the Community Ministry Center's anonymous benefactor provided and is willing to postpone repayment of until the CMC3 can repay.

Our kids love being at the CMC3. We provide a physically safe as well as pandemic safe environment. We practice social distancing as much as is possible with children. Our five classrooms are spacious, cleaned and sanitized daily. We have a fenced in playground so children can go out weather permitting. We provide children a chance to socialize, play and learn. For school age children, we have a reliable internet connection so they can "attend" virtual school. Parents have recommended us because of our values, staff and very reasonable prices.

If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the CMC3 please contact our Director or myself at cmckidcare@gmail.com or call (540)-786-7320 ext. 8. or CMC3 cellphone

Be safe