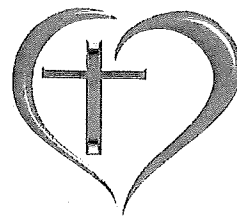


JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER



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A word from Madelyn Sutton
Director of the Christian Caring
Center

Isaiah 54:13 "All your children will be taught by the Lord,
and great will be their peace."

There's a saying that rings true for all parents: Having a child is like having your heart walking around outside of your body. As any mother or father knows, the process of raising a child is rich with emotions, uncertainties, joys, and sorrows. All parents know that when your child goes on the school bus for the first time, your heart is on your sleeve. This verse is so important during this time. Each generation has its own concerns and joys, but this generation, I have to say, has been through a lot and mental health crisis is at an all time high. That is why the church and ministries are so crucial to be involved in children's lives. We need to be praying and teaching them the Word so that when they go into the world and school life, they will take the Scriptures that are written on their hearts, and they know that they are not alone.

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As parents, we try our best to prepare them spiritually and physically. Many of us get them new school clothes, sneakers, book bags with school supplies. But what if you can't provide that for your child? As parents we would feel so bad, but the children have to endure kids asking questions, or getting made fun of. We are helping families every day that are homeless. They are coming to get some help with a few days in a motel until their next paycheck. How will these families even begin to plan to purchase clothing, sneakers or book bags? We at the Christian Caring Center would like to help – with your help.



You can sponsor a child.

1. Purchase a voucher to the Village Thrift Shop where clothing is \$10 for a white trash bag filled and they can shop for gently worn and stuff as many pieces of clothing, shoes, accessories, handbags, etc as will fit. Also our manager will be placing "Easter eggs" for shoppers to find for a special of brand new clothing.

2. You can sponsor a brand-new book bag stuffed with school supplies, Bibles or devotionals for the older kids and crafts or coloring books of Bible stories for the younger ones for just \$35 each.

If you would like to donate or volunteer, our volunteer application and donate button is online on our website www.christiancaringcenter.net or stop by the Center or the Village Thrift Shop. Whoever you are, whatever you do, you can have Jesus in your life. You don't need extraordinary qualifications or a lot of money; He accepts you as you are. Thank you for sharing your prayers, time, and financial gifts to spread this wonderful Gospel to the people we serve at the Christian Caring Center.

Abiding in Him,
Madelyn Sutton
Executive Director



Back to School Backpacks: We were able to distribute 162 Backpacks last year in 2022-PTL!. If you're having a Vacation Bible School or Sunday School, children love picking out school supplies for other children. We also try to include extra Sunday School materials, crafts, hygiene items, and healthy snacks inside the backpacks. Thanks to all who will donate! Contact us at christiancaringcenter@yahoo.com for more information. The Christian Caring Center also receives YOUGIVEGOODS.COM, you can purchase items and they will ship them to us.

We can accept donations by check (please write in the memo "Backpacks") or through our website: www.christiancaringcenter.net/donate help Or you can order from our registry and items will be delivered right to us!

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guestview/3QNWHCST6JCSW>

Thank you for all your continued support to our community!

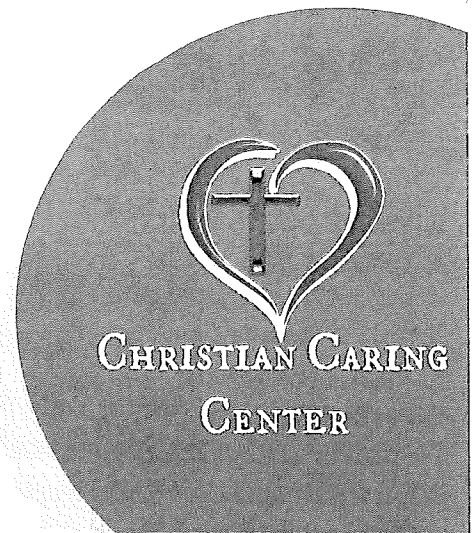
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EMERGENCY FOOD PROGRAM

The **Lord** through the Christian Caring Center helped 579 adults and 264 children for a total of 843 individuals in 324 households with meals in the month of June, 2023- PTL!!!

COMMUNITY LUNCH/RURAL HOMELESS PROGRAM

The **Lord** through the Christian Caring Center served 995 hot cooked lunches and continental breakfasts in the month of June, 2023. We also go out to streets/woods on Wednesday and Friday to deliver 60 lunches and outreach to the homeless, alcoholic, addicted or mentally challenged men, women in 2 area motels. Please continue to pray for the people still out there homeless and struggling as well as the staff and volunteers.

BRIDGE OF HOPE

We have 2 remaining in the program and they are doing good. We are training 1st Presbyterian in Mt. Holly as a new neighboring team. We are planning our major Fundraiser for Bridge of Hope—SLEEP OUT October 14, 2023 from 7:30 pm to 7 am. You will have so much fun while changing the lives of children and parents. If you're interested, please drop us an email at christiancaringcenter@yahoo.com. This is a great opportunity for everyone to join in—singles, families, seniors. If you have a group, students, confirmation candidates needing to complete community service hours, Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts needing to complete badge requirements, etc. We can all help each other and change lives at the same time!

EMERGENCY SHELTER PROGRAM

Jack Stelle Men's Emergency Shelter: We have 1 man in the shelter right now. Tom and Brian have graduated. LaShawn has been working at Amazon for about a month now and is really liking it.

Holman House: We have 3 men in the shelter right now. Brandon is the Resident Mgr- Demetris has graduated- PTL!. Greg and Devin are working at Virtua for about a month and are really liking it.

Marion House: Our family consists of a mom and dad with 3 children. Please pray for the family as the dad has been working for a warehouse for about a month and looking for housing.

SALVATION ARMY SERVICE UNIT

The Christian Caring Center serves as a volunteer service unit for the Salvation Army. They provided 3 households with utilities and rental assistance. SSH provided 13 security deposits, 2 first month rent and 2 back rent assistance. SSH/TANF provided 4 motel placements and 1 first month rent.

SAVE THE DATES

Corn Hole Fundraiser: Saturday, September 16, 2023
Start time 11:00 am — 5:00 pm

Sleep Out Fundraiser: October 14, 2023 (7:30 pm to 7 am) (at a church to be announced)

INVITE ME

I would love to come and visit your church or group and update you on the Christian Caring Center.

We have a video or power point **presentation that is very informative as a mission moment in a church service or Sunday School class.** If you would like to schedule a visit, please give me a call at

• 609-560-0743.

Ask God...How can I help?

NEEDED ITEMS

1. Peanut butter & jelly
2. Tuna & soups
3. Instant Potatoes, mac & cheese
4. Cereal, Breakfast bars, Nutra grain bars
5. Juice, shelf milk
6. Pasta & sauce
7. Sneakers, Tee Shirts & jeans
8. Off insect spray for homeless clients sleeping outside



OPENING HOURS:

We are now open Monday-Friday from 10 am-3 pm. Only 2 people are allowed in the Outreach Center at a time and for case management, we prefer an appointment. Lunch will be served at 12 noon and we go out on Street Outreach every Wednesday and Friday 12:30 pm-1:30 pm. The drive through food pantry is in operation Monday-Friday 10 am to 3 pm. The Village Thrift Shop, 87 Hanover Street, Pemberton is now open Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 4 pm and Saturdays 10 am to 3 pm. They are accepting Fall and warmer clothing, jackets, coats, blankets, etc. Donations are excepted on Mon. Wed., Fri., 10-2pm only. They supply the Outreach Center in Browns Mills clothing as needed there. Praise the Lord!

6 Most Wanted Volunteer Positions

1. Village Thrift Shop sorting & cash register
2. Interviewers/to pray with the people receiving food.
3. Fundraising Committee (making baskets for auction, mailings, decorating, etc.)
4. Volunteers to work with homeless clients locating housing & jobs.
5. Volunteers for making gift baskets for auction at our fundraising events.
6. Volunteers for our upcoming Corn Hole and Sleep Out Fundraisers As we are open 5 days per week, we desperately need volunteers. We only have 7 regular staff to run 12 programs. We have opportunities to fit your schedule: weekly, monthly, virtual, project oriented like Holiday baskets, food pickups, food or basket shopping, events such as our Corn Hole or Sleep Out fundraisers, etc.

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The St. Mary of the Lakes, Medford Knights of Columbus are holding **THE 3RD ANNUAL CORN HOLE FUNDRAISER FOR THE CHRISTIAN CARING CENTER ON September 16, 2023 from 11am to 5pm** at St. Mary of the Lakes School, Rt. 70, Medford. We are looking for sponsors and players. Please see the flyer that is enclosed. You are guaranteed to have fun, a good time, a good lunch and will help support the programs of the Christian Caring Center.



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