

Mission Possible!

“For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.” Romans 8:18

Pray for Morgan Watkins - Intern with Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) Campus Ministry at Purdue University for 2 years.

Pray for Emily Hyman – Campus Crusade “Cru” Intern at Radford University in Radford, VA this school year.

Pray for Jenny Jenkins, Cooperative Baptist Fellowship missionary in Grand Goave, Haiti. PRAYER is her biggest need. You may learn more about Jenny and send her encouraging messages at “Jenny’s Haiti Days” on Facebook.

Thank you for your great response to our Pack A Van ministry at E.B. Aycock Middle School in August! The teachers and staff at the school were VERY appreciative of the many school supplies, snacks, and school uniform clothing that were donated. They also enjoyed the soft drinks and chips that day as a special treat for the staff, and are encouraged that Oakmont, The Memorial Baptist and First Christian Churches will be praying for them and providing encouragement and support in other ways throughout the school year. Our next anticipated ministry for the teachers will be a Fall Teacher Appreciation Week in mid-October. Details TBD.

NC Baptists on Mission Disaster Relief & NC WMU Offering will be collected during the month of September. *Compelled by Love* is the theme for this NC offering. Being compelled by Christ's love involves showing and sharing the love of Jesus with those in our communities and around the world. As we reflect on what Christ has done for us, may we work together to heal the brokenness in our state, nation and world by proclaiming the gospel as we minister to others. **Both of these mission groups are totally funded by gifts to the Mission Offering in September each year.** Please give and pray for these ministries as you can.

- **Baptists on Mission (aka, NC Baptist Men) Disaster Relief** is a huge ministry that serves people who have suffered from natural disasters like hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, etc. BOM provides feeding kitchens that can serve thousands of meals each day, does mud-outs, debris removal, rebuilds homes, and spends time with people who are traumatized by the destruction of their homes. Volunteers offer the hope and love of Jesus during these times of loss as they share their faith through prayers, listening ears and actions.

- NC WMU provides mission education, leadership development, and compassion ministries through Prison Ministry, Military Ministry, Christian Women's Job Corps, Mission Trips; Pure Water, Pure Love; WorldCrafts, Baptists Nursing Fellowship, and ProjectHELP: Refugees.

The Eppes-Oakmont Partnership Will Continue to Provide Special Treats/Events to Encourage Teachers & Staff.

Unfortunately, at this time, Oakmont will not be able to send food home on weekends for our Back Pack Pals ministry until further notified. The school building had substantial roof and water damage before school opened, and only 6th graders are on campus currently. Please pray for the teachers and staff as they work under already trying circumstances with COVID-19 safety protocols, and a renovation of the school building. **David Steele needs a few volunteers to help do some landscaping beautification at the school at the bus entrance.** Please contact David if you can help with this landscaping project in the next week or two, steeled02@gmail.com .

Backyard Buddies Tutors Needed – Tutoring has begun and we have already had 3 weeks with the elementary students who live in the apartments around the church. Groups of 4-5 students meet for 1 hour each week on either on Monday or Tuesday from 2:15-3:15 or 3:30-4:30 PM in the fellowship hall. BYB Teens will begin meeting today on future Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 PM in the fellowship hall. If we had more tutors, we could bring in some of the elementary students more than one day a week for help with homework, reading, writing and math facts review. Tutors and students must wear face masks and follow other safety protocol while in the church. Please contact Jimmie if you can help.

Tuesday Night Meal Ministry continues to cook and package 30 hot take-out meals for our shut-ins, neighbors and those in need.

Oakmont Ramp Builders – this group of men continues to build handicap ramps for Pitt County neighbors in need. Please keep this team in your prayers for good health and safety as they live out their faith by providing this ministry.

Celebrate Recovery Meets on Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room. Celebrate Recovery is a biblical and balanced program that helps us overcome our hurts, hang-ups, and habits. CR has helped more than 17,000 people at Saddleback Church attracting over 70% of its members from outside the church. CR has resumed meeting at Oakmont in small groups, wearing face masks and following 6' social distancing guidelines. Please keep this group in your prayers. Contact Don Sullivan or come on Monday night to find out what it is all about.

Check out NC Stop Human Trafficking Web Site for Online Webinars in August.

*Sex Trafficking: What's Porn Got to Do with It? – September 23 at 2:00 PM
Go to www.ncstophumantrafficking.org for more details and to register for this webinar.

Serving together,

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