

Communiqué

As a fellowship of Christ's followers, our mission is to fashion our lives after Christ's and to embrace our world with God's transforming love.

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Holmeswood Clothes Closet Accepted Donations



Based on feedback from the Center School District social workers, the Clothes Closet we have at Holmeswood will get a fresh look. Right now there are a lot of clothes in our closet that are not being used, so we will be donating them to other organizations. Please refer to this list when donating to our Clothes Closet.

Pants

- Only for children, sizes 4-7 for the Early Childhood Center
- We will not accept "regular" pants/jeans for students at the elementary, middle, or high school.

Athletic pants/shorts

- all sizes for ages 3-18, male and female
- condition: new or gently used

Leggings (made of the thicker material, not see-through tights)

- S-XL, women's
- condition: new or gently used

Plain T-shirts

- example: the Hanes packs of white, gray, or black shirts
- adult sizes S-XL
- condition: new

Hoodies

- adult sizes S-XL
- condition: new or gently used

Underwear

- Children's sizes 4 and up
- S-XL men's boxers or boxer briefs
- S-XL women's underwear
- condition: new

Socks

- All adult sizes: ankle socks, black or white
- condition: new

Winter coats

- all children's and adult sizes
- condition: new or gently used

Gloves/scarves/winter hats

- all children's and adult sizes
- condition: new or gently used

Mission Moment

Our goal this year for the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Offering for Global Missions was \$4,000. We greatly surpassed this goal, raising a total of **\$6940.22!** Thank you for your generous contributions. This offering is used to sustain the long-term presence of CBF field personnel around the world. Here's a word from Greg and Sue Smith, CBF field personnel in Fredericksburg, VA:

"Since its founding 12 years ago, LUCHA Ministries has been committed to serving the first-generation Latino immigrant community in Fredericksburg, Virginia through social, spiritual and community development programs. Taking on the task of helping all legally-qualified immigrants, both Latino and non-Latino alike, to legalize their status through our LUCHA Ministries' Immigration Legal Services program is a new, yet daunting, task. But we believe this is an essential step in our calling as Christians to welcome the stranger among us (Matthew 25:35-36)."



Food Pantry

Thank you, Holmeswood, for helping the Center community by donating items to our food pantry. From January 6th to January 20th, 39 bags of food were distributed to 13 people. Thank you for continuing to help keep our Food Pantry well stocked.

Best Choice Labels

Ask friends and family members to collect "Best Choice" barcode labels. "Best Choice" products may be purchased at Price Chopper or Apple Market. When donating to the Food Pantry, please consider purchasing "Best Choice" products. Harold Burnett cuts off labels from Food Pantry donations and deposits them in our "Best Choice" baskets located in the Narthex and Galleria. Remember... clipping "Best Choice" labels helps support Indian Missions.



Slovakia Mission Trip 2017- What you need to know!

What: A mission trip partnering with Dianne and Shane McNary (CBF Field Personnel) in Slovakia. The McNarys have been there 12 years and have many ministry partners. There are multiple options as to how we will spend our time. Our activities will depend on who joins our team, but here are some options:

- English classes in local schools
- Kids camp/ sports camp
- Doing community outreach at a church
- Working in a community center
- Possibility of more “hands-on” projects, but would not know specifics until right before the trip. This will be based on the current needs of the ministry partners.



When: September 8-16, 2017 (That’s a Friday to the following Saturday.)

*There will be 5 mandatory team meetings before the trip. These meetings will be held in the months of April, May, June, July, and August (one meeting per month). Your attendance is required and is of the utmost importance as we prepare for our experience.

Accommodations: Plans are still in the works, but it will be a hotel-type of lodging (as opposed to staying in people’s homes).

Size of team: maximum of 8 people (including Anna).

Estimated total cost per person: \$2200

*This is an estimate and I have erred on the side of overestimating, so that we will be pleasantly surprised if the cost is lower than this. **We will also be doing fundraisers to lower the cost. Everything raised will be split evenly among the members of the team.**

*This does not include any money you will want for personal spending, the cost of getting/renewing your passport, or any vaccinations/medicines you may need for international travel (there are no vaccinations required, but the Hepatitis A vaccine is recommended in addition to being up to date on all your normal vaccinations).

Breakdown of cost:

International travel- \$1600 (this includes round-trip flight, medical travel insurance, and trip cancellation protection)

Housing/meals/local transportation while in Slovakia- \$600

If you have any questions, contact Anna Holladay by email (anna.holladay@holmeswood.org), phone (church’s # is 816-942-1729), or by talking to her at church.

Your spot will be reserved by turning in a deposit. Please send a check made out to Holmeswood Baptist Church for \$200 and write in the memo line “Slovakia trip”. This deposit will serve to hold your spot and will be deducted from your total trip cost. The deadline for joining the team is February 26th.

Human Trafficking Awareness

Information from the Kansas Turnpike Authority



Running from the Oklahoma border to Kansas City and through the largest cities in the state, the Kansas Turnpike connects people to places that matter most. However, this well-traveled route can also serve as a corridor for human trafficking. In 2015, 43 Kansas cases of this modern-day form of slavery were reported to the National Human Trafficking Hotline. Of the nine locations connected to these cases, four were along the Kansas Turnpike (Kansas City, Topeka, Wichita and the OK border.)

Red Flags for Human Trafficking

- Restricted or controlled communication – not allowed to speak for self.
- No identification/false identification.
- Minors with unrelated adult.
- Reported missing or chronic runaway.
- Living out of car/suitcase.
- Lack of knowledge of their community or whereabouts.
- Is fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense or nervous/paranoid.
- Avoids eye contact.
- Large amounts of cash or prepaid credit cards.
- Has few or no personal possessions.
- Is not free to leave or come and go as he/she wishes.
- Physical signs of branding or tattoos.
- Multiple phones – burner phones.
- Hotel keys, hotel receipts.
- Has numerous inconsistencies in his/her story.

For more information, you can read the full article on the Kansas Turnpike Authority's website: <https://www.ksturnpike.com/news/posts/human-trafficking-awareness-month>

FEBRUARY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>5 9:00-10:00 Worship Svc - Communion 10:00-10:15 Blood Pressure Check-Natthex 10:00-10:15 Coffee & Community 10-15-11:15 Bible Friends/ Bible Fellowship Groups 11:30 Personnel Meeting 11:30 Boy Scout Spaghetti Lunch 12:00-3:30 ICC Bible Study & Worship 1:30-5:00 Amigos - FH 4:00-9:00 ICC Meal-Gym Kitchen</p>	<p>6 Deacon on Call: Wayne Lockyer</p>	<p>7 10:00 Staff Meeting 11:00 Pastoral Staff Meeting 6:30-9:00 Pray & Play Basketball-Gym</p>	<p>1 4:00-5:00 HBC Community Chorus - Choir Room 6:10-7:20 Handbell Rehearsal 5:30-7:30 Children's Faith & Fun 6:30 "Connections" for Adults 7:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 8:30 Play & Pray Basketball</p>	<p>2 7:00 Women's Prayer Breakfast-Conf. Room #1 7:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast-Conf. Room #2 6:30-8:30 Pickleball - Gym</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 6:00-10:00 ICC Meal Preparation-Gym Kitchen Minister on Call: David McDaniel</p>
<p>12 9:00-10:30 Worship Svc. 10:00-10:15 Blood Pressure Check-Galleria 10:00-10:15 Coffee & Community 10:15-11:15 Bible Friends/ Bible Fellowship Groups 11:30 Strategic Planning Mtg. 12:00-3:30 ICC Bible Study & Worship</p>	<p>13 9:00-12:00 Prayers & Squares-S204 5:30 The Seekers BFG (A-C-7) to Forest Ave Baptist Church Deacon on Call:</p>	<p>14 VALENTINE'S DAY 10:00 Staff Meeting 11:00 Pastoral Staff Meeting 6:30-9:00 Pray & Play Basketball-Gym</p>	<p>15 4:00-5:00 HBC Community Chorus - Choir Room 5:30-6:15 Dinner-Fellowship Hall 6:10-7:20 Handbell Rehearsal 6:30 Business Meeting 7:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 8:30 Play & Pray Basketball</p>	<p>16 7:00 Women's Prayer Breakfast-Conf. Room #1 7:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast-Conf. Room #2 10:45 Anchors Luncheon 6:30-8:30 Pickleball - Gym</p>	<p>17 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</p>	<p>18 Minister on Call: Anna Holiday</p>
<p>19 9:00-10:00 Worship Svc.- 10:00-10:15 Coffee & Community 10-15-11:15 Bible Friends/ Bible Fellowship Groups 11:30 Deacons Meeting 12:00-3:30 ICC Bible Study & Worship</p>	<p>20 PRESIDENT'S DAY 5:30 Lydia BFG (AL-1) to Forest Ave Baptist Church Deacon on Call:</p>	<p>21 10:00 Staff Meeting 11:00 Pastoral Staff Meeting 6:30-9:00 Pray & Play Basketball-Gym</p>	<p>22 4:00-5:00 HBC Community Chorus - Choir Room 6:10-7:20 Handbell Rehearsal NO Connections for Adults 7:30 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 8:30 Play & Pray Basketball</p>	<p>23 7:00 Women's Prayer Breakfast-Conf. Room #1 7:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast-Conf. Room #2 6:30-8:30 Pickleball - Gym</p>	<p>24 NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTED</p>	<p>25 Minister on Call: Allen York</p>
<p>26 9:00-10:00 Worship Svc- Anna Holiday preaching in Honor of Martha Stearns Marshall 10:00-10:15 Coffee & Community 10-15-11:15 Bible Friends/ Bible Fellowship Groups 12:00-3:30 ICC Bible Study & Worship 1:30-5:00 Amigos - FH</p>	<p>27 9:00-12:00 Prayers & Squares-S204 Deacon on Call:</p>	<p>28 10:00 Staff Meeting 11:00 Pastoral Staff Meeting 6:30-9:00 Pray & Play Basketball-Gym</p>				

FAITH COMMUNITY HEALTH TEAM

Grief is a natural response to the loss of someone or something important to us. When someone close to us dies, we grieve. Over the course of our lives, we all experience grief. And we all know others who have experienced the death of a loved one, and need our support. Problem is, sometimes we aren't sure how to help our bereaved friends.

The website for National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization offers a helpful article on its website. Suggestions include:

- Acknowledge all feelings.
- Acknowledge that life won't "feel the same" and the person may not be able to "get back to normal".
- Be willing to stay engaged for a long time.
- Be specific in your willingness to help.
- Check on your friend or relative as time passes and months go by.
- Be sensitive to holidays and special days.
- Identify friends who might be willing to help with specific tasks on a regular basis.

To read the full article you can find it at <http://www.caringinfo.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3375>.

-Nancy Campbell

February Birthdays

- 2/01 **Ginger Shew, Byron Williams**
- 2/05 **Dan Anderson, Ron Garrison, Larry Hall**
- 2/06 **Dinah Wise, Dorothy Woodley**
- 2/07 **Stan Samborski, Aubrey Zey**
- 2/08 **Juanita Springate**
- 2/09 **Carolyn Corbett**
- 2/10 **Chuck Loomis, Dan Terry, Diamond Williams**
- 2/12 **Jack Bartmess**
- 2/14 **Mary Helen Brummel, Zachary Hendrix, Debbie Morrison**
- 2/15 **Linda Trokey**
- 2/18 **Ben Newton, Daniel Smith**
- 2/19 **Isaiah Hendrix**
- 2/20 **Leo Gieringer, Joel Jenkins, Erin McDaniel**
- 2/23 **Don Duvall**
- 2/24 **Shirel York**
- 2/25 **Vivian Franklin**
- 2/27 **Andy Gleason**
- 2/28 **Sue Johnson**

ANCHORS

February 16, 2017 at 10:45 am

Cost: \$8.00

Theme: "Love is in the air"

Program: Community Chorus

Service Project: HBC Benevolence Fund

Menu: Soup and Salad, Apple Cobbler



NEW MEMBER

Holmeswood Baptist Church welcomed Chris Veit on December 18, 2016. Chris was born and raised in the Kansas City area. He attended medical school at UMKC where he earned his Doctorate of Medicine. Chris is currently a Pediatric Hospitalist at Children's Mercy. He enjoys spoiling his nieces and nephews, playing golf and watching the Chiefs, Sporting KC and the Royals.

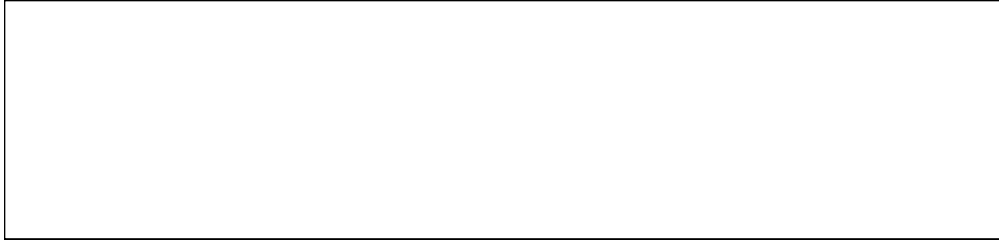


Chris Veit
December 18, 2016

Statistics

December 25	
9:00 a.m. Worship Service	107
No BFG	
Pledge Received	\$22,900
January 1	
9:00 a.m. Worship Service	124
No BFG	
Pledge Received	\$8,184
January 8	
9:00 a.m. Worship Service	188
Bible Friends/Bible Fellowship	160
Pledge Received	\$20,758

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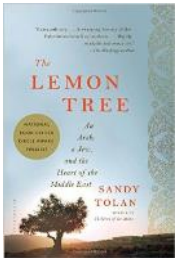
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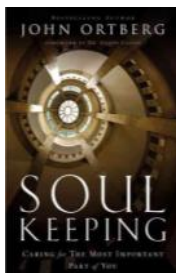
MEDIA LIBRARY NEWS

HERE ARE A FEW OF OUR FAVORITE TITLES FOR FEBRUARY



The Lemon Tree: An Arab, a Jew and the Heart of the Middle East by Sandy Tolan. This is a story of hope amid the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Bashir, a 25 year old Palestinian refugee and Dalia, a 19 year old Israeli, meet in the Ramia house in which both had lived with a lemon tree in the back. They developed a friendship that lasted over 35 years. The author says "By juxtaposing and joining the history of two families and placing them in the larger context of the days' events, I hope to help build an understanding of the reality and history of two peoples, Arabs and Jews, on the same land". If you are interested in the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, read this book.

Making the Good News Good Again: Recovering the Wonder of the Gospel by Judson Edwards. Edwards says that the greatest need in our life today is to rediscover the WONDER OF THE GOSPEL. It calls the reader to experience and reflect on the grace of Christ... you will find Judson's call of renewal refreshing.



How's your soul? Read *Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You* by John Ortberg. When we are not centered in God, our soul cries out in distress. Living with God isn't just a good idea----it's the only way to find lasting peace and satisfaction.

The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem by Adam Hamilton. Adam takes the reader on a walk through the Holy Land which leads to new insights into our own journey with Christ.

