



As a team, on God we will lean in 2016!



Independence Day afforded numerous opportunities for us to experience the joy of giving. And yes, we also shared in the “joy of cooking” not to mention smiles from our hostess Virginia Hendricks. We have much to celebrate as we reflect on the preparations and spirit that reflected how it is that we are the church together.

Thank you to the dedicated families that provided leadership in all aspects of our third party fundraiser benefitting Potential Development. Your commitment to serve others through Canfield Christian Church provided another example of our enthusiasm for serving. Such service is among the disciplines of a growing faith that brings people together around common purposes and values.

The day initiated what may very well become one of many outreach initiatives encouraging Hope, Opportunity and Independence for others. We benefitted from numerous donations that made our day possible. One particular donation that generated particular interest was our Raffle Gift for a Romantic, one night stay at the Bella Fattoria Bed & Breakfast-in Wine Country. Thank you, Brenda, for your thoughtfulness in making this possible.

Our activities on The Green presented the joyful enthusiasm for faith, service, and hospitality that shapes Canfield Christian Church. In addition, we raised awareness of the possibilities Potential Development introduces for individuals and families affected by Autism. This is an important service we will likely learn more about when we present a check for the \$265 raised on behalf of the lives they touch.

Thank you for the enthusiasm, laughter, giving, planning, hospitality, and dedication to serving others that shapes our response to Christ’s call to serve. as we love one another.

May you experience the love of Christ in your serving, worshipping and giving!

Ed



Church Events:

Considering Future Direction:



July 11: Present summary to the Board
 July 18: Mail summary as first class letter
 Sunday, July 31: Congregational Lunch and Discussion



We are planning to send goodies to Maya Condori. She is serving a tour of duty aboard the USS Eisenhower in the Mediterranean. Some items she would like are granola bars with chocolate chips, Reese's peanut butter cups, chewing gum, ramen noodle soup and regular Oreos.

- If you would like to receive a copy of The Buckeye Disciple from our Columbus office, please give the church office your email address by August 1 and you will be placed on their mailing list. This is published quarterly each year. Copies are also available at the church.



OHIO WOMEN'S MINISTRIES Fall Retreat!
 September 9th - 11th, 2016, Camp Christian

Keynote Speaker: *REV. MARY ANNE GLOVER*

Theme: "*CHANGE --- WHAT?????*"

Based on Isaiah 43:15-21.

18 "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past 19 See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

A retreat for women ready for change is awaiting you in the beautiful surroundings of Camp Christian.

Registration information will be posted on the CCIO website and sent out this Summer. Please check back for workshops, costs, schedules, and other information on the website www.ccinoh.org, look for OWM Fall Retreat under the Ministries tab.



Congratulations to

Richard & Edna Seaman who will celebrate their 69th wedding anniversary on July 19!

You can send a card to:
 6130 Gibson Rd.
 Canfield OH 44406

AUGUST is the month for Canfield Christian Church to help fill the pantry shelves at Protestant Family Services.

Look for a box to collect your donations and a list on the coat rack of needed items.

THANK YOU for your generosity!

COMMUNITY EVENTS--

- Drive through CHICKEN DINNERS, Thurs., July 14, 3-6 pm, Grace Lutheran Church, 162 S. Raccoon Rd., Austintown. Each complete dinner \$7. To place an order prior to the sale, call 330-792-5889.

- CONCERTS ON THE GREEN - Mondays at 7 pm
 ** July 11: The Rocco Monaco Band
 July 18: The Jack Vasko & Company Band
 ** July 25: The Jim Frank Combo

**Summer Suppers 5-6:30 pm before each concert at Canfield United Methodist Church

ELDERS Serving in July:

Date	Lead	Table
3	Susan Crawford	Jan Pumphrey
10	Sally Ifill	Rodger Shuback
17	Sally Ifill	Susan Crawford
24	Rodger Shuback	Jan Pumphrey
31	Jan Pumphrey	Susan Crawford

CELEBRATIONS:

BIRTHDAYS

1 Alana Makenzie Eastman	13 Susan Smith	25 Samantha Jo Martin
6 Amanda Mavrikis	15 Laurie Sharp	26 Patrick Cassidy
6 Shirley Metzger	16 Starla Smidt	27 Lynn Fredo
11 Maya Condori	18 Norma Yoder	27 Barbara Todd
12 James Eastman	20 Edna Seaman	

ANNIVERSARIES

4 Rick & Samantha Martin	19 Richard & Edna Seaman
12 Wayne & Janet Grinnen	24 Rodger & Karen Shuback
16 Jeff & Mary Payne	25 Lou & Aimee Raymond

PRAYER CONCERNS — Please remember those who are in assisted living/nursing homes with your prayers and visits:

AustinWoods: DeNise Martin, Betty Baird

Hampton Woods: Richard Rees

Shepherd of the Valley: Dr. John Krier

Vista Center: Richard Todd

Please remember those who need your continued prayers:

Richard Seaman Matthew Payne

Pam Eddie Theresa Alcott

Edna Seaman Donna Arcenio

David Bush Virginia Knauf

Martin Crawford Matthew Payne

Helen Bush Colton James Price

Irene Lehtonen (Mother of Susan Crawford)

Gary and Richard Cunningham (Brothers of Kay Mills)

Laura Ward (Friend of Kay Mills)

Cecil Hunt (Husband of Karen)

Scott Chepke (Waiting for a transplant)

Paul Osorio (Nephew of Trinidad Galizia)

Joseph Novacich (Father of Theresa Murphy)

John Bauman and David Beach (Friends of Sally Payne)

Margrit Galano (Mother of Cindy Stackhouse)

Ted Harris (Nephew of Jerry & Dolores Hanna)

Ingrid Vance and Laura Utterback (Friends of Dorris Baringer)

Please remember our troops in your prayers.

AN IMPORTANT NOTE: Because of the HIPAA laws, the church must be careful in disclosing information about someone's illness.

**As these situations change, please notify the church office so we can make changes or give praises for answered prayer.

Martin remains positive about the outcomes of his surgery. He asks that the congregation know of his appreciation for their many prayers and their encouragement. He looks forward to being back with us soon. Thank you for your support through this long process. -- Susan and Martin



Blessed is any weight, however overwhelming, that God has been so good as to fasten with His own hand upon our shoulders.

—Frederick W. Faber





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† Our church is currently in the process of meeting to determine our mission as a congregation. This is vital to our future and to the calling of a "settled" or permanent minister. Interim Ed Allen continues to be available to all members to hear their ideas and visions for the church. Results of the meetings will be submitted to the board for discussion and then we will move toward that mission goal and finding our settled minister.

Each of us brings gifts, ideas and commitment to the selection of a permanent minister. As we begin our search process, we will call on people to help develop a profile of what we seek in a new minister. With the help of The Christian Church in Ohio regional office, we will then begin the process of identifying individuals whose dedication, experience and availability are most likely to lead us in fulfilling our visions. This process could take a six to twelve month commitment on the part of the search team. Some of our members may feel called to serve in this way. If you do, please contact Ed or Sally Ifill, who will head the team.

We will finish developing our profile by the end of this month and will be contacting the regional office by September 1. Our search team will be in place and ready to begin its important work by then. We look forward to working with everyone as we take the next steps to a rewarding future.

- Our baby robes have found a home! Last year the women of the church made baby robes specified by Church World Service to be used in emergencies for babies under the age of one. We met over several work sessions to complete the robes and when we checked with Church World Service to see what else was needed, we discovered they were no longer distributing baby clothes! The search was on to find another group that could use them. Mission of Love (out of Austintown) has enthusiastically agreed to accept our robes as part of their mission to Guatemala. We are happy that the items so lovingly made have found a destination. Check out missionoflove.org to see more about their great work.