

Nurture

BRINGING HOPE AND HEALING TO FAMILIES

EMPOWERED TO CONNECT CONFERENCE

LIVE SIMULCAST! - APRIL 7-8, 2017
at Sherwood Oaks Christian Church

Empowered To Connect, together with **Show Hope** <https://showhope.org/> and The Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development at TCU <https://child.tcu.edu/>, hosts the Empowered To Connect Conference — a two-day conference designed to **help adoptive and foster parents, ministry leaders and professionals better understand how to connect with “children from hard places” in order to help them heal and become all that God desires for them to be.**

The conference is ideal for adoptive and foster parents, those considering adoption or foster care and those who are serving and supporting others, including social workers, agency professionals, church staff and ministry leaders, counselors, therapists and others.

To register online to attend the simulcast go to <https://www.socc.org/sherwood-oaks-blog/empowered-to-connect-conference/>

For more information contact Julia Rademacher julwood@indiana.edu

Orphan Care Support Group

Foster/Adoptive/Kinship Parent support group will meet on Tuesday, April 11th at SOCC.

Contact Susan Schlegel at 812-325-4899 or

sbschlegel@bluemarble.net

 Sherwood Oaks Orphan Care

APRIL Collection

Personal Hygiene items (shampoo, soap, razors, toothpaste & brushes, deodorant, etc) for:

Crawford House & Shalom Center

Collection bins at Doors 3 & 20.

Serving and the *Yes2Love* Vision

We believe that serving both inside the church and outside the church is a vital part of our faith! As part of our *Yes2Love* vision, we choose to say YES to giving through acts of service.



For more about what *Yes2Love* is and means, www.socc.org/about/who-we-are/what-is-yes2love/

GLOBAL Outreach Project Wind River Rez Camp In Fremont County, Wyoming July 15-22, 2017

Building lasting foundations through the love of Jesus Christ.

Project: Fix-up projects in needy neighborhoods and some work projects on the mission grounds.

Please keep the team in your prayers.

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Find Your Place to Serve

There are always ways to serve and make a difference, both within the church and in the community. Check out these options or go to socc.org for more information.



Serve the Community

Yes2Love embodies the call to love God and others fully and to reach out to make disciples wherever we are. In 2016, Sherwood Oaks launched a new dream - to directly impact Bloomington by reaching into the lives of children and families.

They need our help!

Give



Last year we reached our goal! This was possible because of your kind generosity!

This year we are collecting Walmart gift cards, cash and checks to help purchase bicycles as awards for students who have perfect attendance at Fairview Elementary School. Our goal is \$1,000 by May 1. Make checks payable to SOCC with "Fairview Bikes" in memo. Checks and cash can be left at the kiosk in the foyer, put in the offering marked for bikes, or left at the Receptionist's desk at Door 3 from 8am-4:30pm with Attn: Norma Landgraff. For more information contact nlandgraff@socc.org

Serve



Run the hospitality desk: weekdays from 8am to 4pm. Sign up clients for services, answer phones, manage clients' mail, and organize donations.

Work in the kitchen: weekdays from 7:30am to 2:30 pm for breakfast and lunch.

Volunteer nights: Friend's Place from 5-8pm and 8-11pm.

Please contact Volunteer Coordinator Sue Murphy by email: sue@shalomcommunitycenter.org



WonderGarden Work Days in 2017 Do you like to work outdoors, dig, cut, rake, shovel, pull weeds, plant, and work with others? If you do, we have the volunteering opportunity for you! All ages are welcome. **Come work in the WonderLab garden!** We provide snacks and gloves (or BYO).

Bloomington Master Gardeners will show us what to do. Wear dirt-friendly shoes and clothes.

Garden Work Days: All work days are from 9:30 – 11:30am unless other times are arranged.

Saturdays: April 8&22, May 6&20, June 3,10& 24, September 24, October 8&22, November 5.

To sign up, email Jeanne@wonderlab.org with the date and the number of people coming.



5 ways to help the Hannah Center!

- 1. Donate** Hannah runs completely on donations, and they need your help. You can give online at www.hannahcenter.org/donate/ or mail to 808 N College Ave. Bloomington, IN 47404
- 2. Kroger Community Rewards** Setting up your account can help Hannah at no cost to you!
- 3. Amazon Smile** donates a portion of your purchases to Hannah at no extra cost to you. Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-1615036>
- 4. Baby Bottles** look for information in May.
- 5. Volunteer** We have several volunteer opportunities. Please contact: stephanie@hannahcenter.org

For more information about **SERVE** contact

Erika Barnhill ebarnhill@socc.org

<https://www.socc.org/watch-read/resources/serve/>

<https://www.socc.org/ontarget/>



Center for Women & Children Bloomington (400 S Opportunity Ln) <http://wheelermission.org/our-work/womens-services/>

Share a Meal: Any day, but especially Saturdays & Sundays. 4PM-5:30 (flexible).

Provide a meal for the guests at the center.

Volunteers can drop off a meal or use our kitchen and share a meal with the ladies and children.

Recreation Night: Any Friday Night 7PM-9PM Provide an activity of some kind for the ladies.

Bingo, movie night, game night, etc.

Hair Styling: Any day of the week. Provide haircuts and styling for the women and children.

Prayer Ministry: Receive prayer requests and commit to praying for our guests, staff and leadership.

Naomi Mentor: Once a week. Build a 1-1 relationship with one of our guests. This volunteer would have to go through the High Impact volunteer process before serving.



Monroe County United Ministries

MCUM creates lasting solutions to economic, educational and social injustice in our community through quality services, collaboration and innovation.

Make A Difference

All aspects of our operation benefit from the time, expertise, and enthusiasm that volunteers contribute, from the childcare kitchen to our monthly newsletter. We welcome individuals, families, and groups as volunteers, accomplishing one-time projects or making an ongoing commitment. To receive monthly volunteer update, sign up at <http://mcum.org/newsletter/>