



Plan for the Harvest

This week spring will begin. At this time of year I think about farmers and those who have gardens. They are preparing the ground for the crops they will plant. They know that the preparation of the soil will make a difference in the harvest they will get when summer ends. That reminds me of the scripture: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved" ([Jeremiah 8:20](#)). As important as the physical need is to us, maybe we need to consider the spiritual need we all have.

Maybe it is time for us to look around and see the need for all people to be saved. As we consider that thought, should we not be more intentional about sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ? After all, it is by Him that all people can be saved!

I would ask you to pray and ask the Lord to send you to someone who does not know Jesus as their Savior. Ask Him to prepare your heart to share the Truth that can set one free. Ask Him to prepare the heart of that one that is lost. Ask Him to bring the two of you together and give you the boldness and clarity of speech to present the Living Truth to that who needs to come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Let's not get through the summer without seeing our lost friends and relatives come to Jesus. He died for them as much as He died for us. He wants to set them free from their sins and give them life – more abundant and eternal. Let's see the summer end with a good harvest!

Community Workday

Saturday, March 24th, at the cemetery behind the

Methodist Church at 9 a.m. Need chainsaws, rakes and gloves.

KIDDOS

Skating: March 16th at Burton Entertainment Center in Belton. 5pm-7pm. Kids 2nd grade and under must be accompanied by an adult. Sign-up sheet is out.

Easter Egg Hunt: March 24th at Chiquola. 10am-11:30am. Ages 2-6. Snacks provided. Sign-up sheet is out.

Winter Jam: March 25th.

Game Night: April 20th at the church 6pm-9pm. This is for ages K4-6th grade. More details to come.

Gravitopia: May 12th. More details to come.

VBS: June 11th-15th. More details to come.

Summer Camp: July 20th-22nd. This will be at Awanita and will be for 3rd-12th grade. See sign-up sheet for details.

Limited number of spots.

Back-to-School Bash: Aug. 18th. More details to come.

YOUTH

Winter Jam: March 25th at Bon Secours.

Spring Break: April 2nd-6th at Romar Beach Baptist Church in Orange Beach Alabama.

BattleCat: May 18th. We will also be going to Fuddruckers afterwards and then back to the church for a lock in. More details to come.

Mission Trip: July 8th-14th. We will be going to Clear Creek Baptist Bible College in Pineville, KY. See sign-up sheet for details.

Student Summer Camp: July 20th-22nd. This will be at Awanita and will be for 3rd-12th grade. See sign-up sheet for details. Limited number of spots.

Back-to-School Bash: August 11th. This will be at Table Rock State Park. More details to come.

College

Meeting: Today immediately following the morning service in the choir room.

Announcements

If you would like to support our students for an event or trip please see Novie.

Sign-up sheet is out for our next Christ Kitchen. This Wed., March 21st – Menu is grilled hotdogs, baked beans, chips, drinks and dessert. \$6 donation per adult and \$3 donation

for K5 and under. Adult plates come with 2 hotdogs. Kids plate comes with 1. This will be our last meal before Spring Break, so come on out and support our students.

Awana News

March Mission Project: Collect loose change for Annie Armstrong.

March 18: Registration forms due for Grand Prix/Bake-off event.

Menorials/Honorarium

Crisis Meals: In honor of Lou Fisher and Ernestine Boland – Mike & Renae Cowan.

Building Fund: In memory of Ruby Bates who I miss so much – Faye Bates; In memory of Bill Stockton's sister – Mike & Renae Cowan.

AAHM: In memory of Bill Stockton's sister – Jerrell & Susan Shaw.

Church-wide March Mission Project

Our project is hygiene packets for United Ministries Food Pantry which includes the following items:

Shampoo & Conditioner, Comb, Brush, Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Lotion, Kleenex and Deodorant Due by April 8th. Thank you church family for your support in the collection of toilet paper. It was a great success.

Senior Moments

We had a good senior's meeting last Tuesday. Thanks to all who came to prepare, set up and clean up. Our two events in April are Brushy Creek Spring Senior program (April 12th, leaving Chiquola @ 9AM – free) and Mill Town Gospel Sing (April 13th leaving Chiquola at 5 PM for Dutch treat supper and 7:30 concert, \$10 per person)

I'm also interested in your feedback about a missions emphasis/ministry for our Senior group....looking forward to serving with you.

Expressions of Appreciation



“WERE YOU THERE...?”

EASTER
CHANGES EVERYTHING

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March Memory Verse

*“Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them: for
they know not what they do.”*

Luke 23:34