FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry will NOT be open in August. We need time to replenish our supply. We are in need of the following items: full-sized toothpaste, shampoo, bars of soap, laundry detergent, dish detergent, deodorants, toilet tissue and paper towels. Also, shelf-stable milk, cake mixes, frostings and peanut butter.

Thank you for your donations and for making the food pantry a success!

YOUNG ADULTS BBQ | AUGUST 12

Join us for a BBQ Social at Marsh Creek State Park in the afternoon and evening. For more details, please talk with Mikayla Lyons or Rob Lowery or call the church office. Young Adults include ages 18-32.

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

BETH KIDD

The Kids of Promise program began in 1994. For most of the children that come, the "treasure" is hidden by poverty, injustice, abuse, neglect, violence, etc. Fear, shame, pain, confusion, and false beliefs blind them and others to the image of God hidden in every one of them. Many feel lost and alone, unimportant, silent, and invisible. At Kids of Promise, every child is seen through the eyes of Jesus, who loves and cherishes each one! It's a place where they can begin to see the gifts, talents, and "treasures" God has put in them. They laugh, play, sing, and create projects and plays. They learn of Jesus through Bible lessons and believe God loves them and is always with them. This summer, we are learning about God from the Psalms. We expect 60 kids from elementary through high school! We have Bible lessons, games, activities, songs, skits, share and prayer time, swimming, field trips, and lots of food! We will have two tracks; one for elementary children and one for middle school and teens. The summer program will end with our annual neighborhood block party Saturday, August 19. One young man, Jude, who graduated from high school and just ioined the Marines, said, "If it hadn't been for coming to Kids of Promise the past six years, I don't think I would have made it." A young girl, Deborah, who's in high school and has been coming to Kids of Promise since she was six years old, is volunteering as a helper this summer: "Kids of Promise is so welcoming!" We are so grateful to you. You may send a word of encouragement to Beth at promisebethk@gmail.com

To learn more about the 50+ missionaries we support, check out our Missionary Wall located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Gym.



AUGUST SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION: John 4: 24 "God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

KID'S MINISTRY

We have a variety of family friendly events happening this August, join us if you have kids from Kindergarten to fifth grade!

Kid's Swim Night will be August 11 at 7PM. Contact Christy Bickford for the address of the host home. **Picnic in the Park is on August 13** at 5:30PM. Bring some blankets & chairs, as well as dinner. **On August 15, we will have Parents Morning Out** from 10AM-12PM. Kids can be dropped off to play together under supervision while parents run errands, enjoy free time, etc. **After in the Park will be August 27** following our evening service in Providence Park. This is open to families with children in both Kid's and/or Student ministry.

XTREME XPLORERS

Xtreme Xplorers is entering its ninth year of operation and is continuing to grow. With our projected growth the need for additional men is critical for Xtreme Xplorers to provide the boys with the best, fun, most educational and spiritually challenging experience possible. We Need You! Please contact the AUC Office or Bruce McCollum directly (bdm151121@gmail.com).

STUDENT MINISTRY

We have a lot of fun Student Ministry events planned for August and would love to see you there! These events are for students in grades 6 through 12, including new 6th graders this fall.

We will have a **Swim Night on August 7** 6:30-9PM at the Todds'. Contact Christy Bickford or Elizabeth Tyson for the host home address. **Wednesday Night Bible Study will be on August 9 and 23** with dinner and games starting at 6PM. **Mini Golf/Arcade Night will be on August 14** from 6:30-9PM at Putt Putt in Clifton Heights. Cost is \$10, please register online. Lastly come out for our final **Swim Night on August 21** 6:30-9:00PM at the Stotts'. Contact Christy Bickford or Elizabeth Tyson for the host home address.

AUC KIDS & STUDENTS END OF SUMMER BASH | AUGUST 25 | 6PM

We will be having an end of summer bash! Come enjoy dinner, snacks, games, and fellowship!

Please take a moment to 'Check In' to the morning worship service and Bible School either through the Church Center App or at the Welcome Center. You can also submit donations to the church through the Church Center App. If you need help visit the Welcome Center in the Foyer.

JUST US GIRLS | THURSDAY, AUGUST 17 | 7PM | GYM

All women aged high school and up are invited to this get together that is sure to get you all charged up! Please come dressed in cool, comfortable clothes and a pair of sneakers. This surprise activity is for *everyone* and is guaranteed to be a night to remember! <u>Please register online</u> so we can plan appropriately. See you there!

SMALL GROUPS

God has created us to be a body, discipling one another, bearing each other's burdens and "spurring each other on toward love and good deeds". A small group provides an opportunity to take this to a much deeper level than can happen on a Sunday morning. Through friendship, prayer and study of the Word small groups can be essential for spiritual growth. Sign up to join a small group through church center or contact Jim Olshefsky (jolshefs@gmail.com). Try several groups and see which one fits you best.

STUDENT & FAMILY MINISTRY PASTOR SEARCH

Please be in prayer for the search committee as they continue to meet and conduct interviews.

MEN'S MINISTRY

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 6:30-7:30AM | CHAPEL

Our teacher for this week is Pastor Perry Messick. Coffee is provided.

MAN UP | SATURDAYS | 9-11AM | CHAPEL

Man Up is a group of men that meet each Saturday morning to discuss various subjects relating to sermons, book studies, videos, etc.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL CONFERENCE | SEPTEMBER 30

Our speaker will be Karen Knight, an inspirational speaker, singer, actress and author. Karen is probably best known for one of her leading roles at Sight and Sound theaters in Lancaster as Mrs. Noah. Her inspirational singing and storytelling have taken her all over the US, Italy, Germany, South America, Asia, and Israel. Please join us for her presentation of *Courageous and Contagious Christian Women*. The conference is open to all women, and cost is \$20 which includes lunch. More details to come!



BOLIVIA TRIP | JULY 27-AUGUST 7

Praises:

- For the provision of the necessary finances
- For passports received for first time travelers
- For donated items that fit almost perfectly into 13 (very large suitcases)
- For the outpouring of support from AUC

Prayer Requests:

- For safety in travel to Bolivia and as we travel about in country
- For good interactions with Raul and Carola Torrejon, the Word of Life team, and Cecilio, a local pastor (and his family) that we will be blessing to them
- For opportunities to present the Gospel
- For clarity in our presentations (for our Spanish speakers and for those helping with translation for the rest of us)
- That we each would demonstrate God's love as we work with the children
- For good health and stamina throughout the trip and specifically
- For God's provision in providing appropriate food for all diets
- For good sleep for the team

The team is so grateful for your prayers and support. Thank you for partnering with us!