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**CHURCH OF THE CROSS**

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As I write this article, Marti and I are about to leave Ohio and head home to Fort Myers. We have had a great two weeks of rest and renewal.

As most of you know, we take these two weeks in the summer to visit our family in Ohio and to spend time at Hollow Rock Camp, near Steubenville, Ohio. Hollow Rock Camp was first held in 1818, no I wasn't at the first one but I have probably been at 40 of them.

A day at Hollow Rock begins and ends with prayer meetings. During the day there are three preaching services plus a Bible study. Great music and preaching are the order of every day, not to mention time to renew old friendships and make some new ones.

It is a time for us to be renewed in our spirits and God did just that in our lives. It was so good to sit and soak up the Word as it was sung and preached each day. I was challenged to go deeper in my relationship with the Lord, to let Jesus live in me and through me. That life isn't about me and what I can do for the Lord but it's about Jesus and what He can do for me and through me! I believe that is true for you as well.

We went expecting to be blessed and challenged by the Lord and that's what happened to us. We come back hoping to share with you these blessings and challenges and to experience God's best for us as individuals and His best for Church of the Cross.

A verse of scripture from Ezekiel sums up our experience, the Lord says, "I will bless them and the places surrounding my hill. I will send down showers in season; there will be showers of blessing." This promise, from the Lord, is a promise of his blessing. We have received His blessing and we know He wants to continue to send showers of blessing in all of our lives.

We will be home tomorrow and back to our everyday lives but with our spirits refreshed and anticipating God's continued blessing! Let's get under the shower of his blessing!

With a Renewed Spirit,

Pastor Jeff

*Pastor Jeff*

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## FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY AUGUST 8TH

The Church of the Cross Deacons are holding a **Food Pantry Sunday on August 8th**. The Deacons are asking for one or more bags of groceries per donor. The bags may be brought to the front of the Sanctuary prior to the start of the Worship Service that Sunday.

*Items needed most are: cereal, peanut butter & jelly, chunky soups & beef stew, tuna & mayonnaise along with canned chicken, ham, Vienna sausages, canned vegetables, spaghetti & sauce, mashed potatoes.*

**Monetary donations in the form of cash or checks are also welcome.** Make checks payable to “Church of the Cross” with a notation on the Memo line: “Food Pantry”. Donations may be placed in the offering plate. *As always, thank you for your continued support of this vital church ministry.*



**CROWN LIFE GROUP STUDY:** We will be offering the 10-week Crow Life Study starting the 4th week of September. This is a Christ-centered study for transforming lives, reducing stress, improving relationships and drawing you closer to Christ. An orientation meeting for the class will be held in mid September. For information, please call Howard Leland at 768-3789 or the church office 768-2188.

### Women's Day Out—Save the Date!

**August 25th is the date to save for Women's Day Out.** Please notice it's been changed to the fourth Wednesday of the month, so it won't be the same day as the August potluck. Fifteen ladies enjoyed lunch at Hemingway's and anyone of them would be happy to share with you how much fun we had. We're certain you will want to join us on the 25th for this fellowship and a time to become better acquainted with each other. Our contact person for this event is **Geri Stearley** (561-1625). We will dine at one of the restaurants at the Gulf Coast Mall. The exact location along with the further details will be in the church bulletin. We will carpool from the church. If anyone needs to be picked up somewhere else, please let us know. Also remember the importance of prayers for your secret prayer person.

**Marilyn Leland**



8/04	Thelma Westric	8/14	Vicki Davies	8/24	Roz Snow
8/07	Jacob Mongoven	8/15	Jennifer Mahoney	8/25	Alissa butler
8/08	Carol Anfinson		Megan DeVecchis	8/27	Fred Kunkel
8/09	Joe Hitt	8/16	Charles Beck		Dave Milne
8/12	Vera Nieland	8/17	Cordy Ford	8/28	Patty Ormsby
	Bud Lederer	8/18	Brian Porter		Joshua Mongoven
	Pam Robinson	8/19	Greg Copeland	8/29	Walter Hank
	Brandon Barrick		Jennifer Maier		Mary Hodges
		8/20	Harlow Jensen		Eunice Franke
		8/21	Jerry Dangler		Andrew Burnam
		8/22	Sandra Stork		Evan Thompson
			Cliff Richmond	8/30	Aspen Welch
		8/23	Jonathan Neal		



Add to  
your  
prayer  
list

**Lori Barbarisi**—grief support at the death of her brother Ernie Hebert  
**Helen Hanzl**—cancer surgery, friend of the Lederer’s  
**Spencer Jones**—cancer, brother-in-law of Chanel Garceau  
**Beverly Konradt**—cancer, friend of the Lederer’s

**Mary Murphy**—health concern  
**Judy Myre**—unspoken need, friend of the Lederer’s  
**Harry & Margie Reynolds**—health & spiritual needs  
**Carol Scarbrough**—health concern  
**Sophie**—9year old with kidney failure, Friend of Marion Dondero

**Cancer patients:** Sheri Adkins, Sharon Bailey, Roger Bourque, Margie Conner, Karen Eastwood, Kelly Findley, Avolee Fowler, Janice Fuson, Pete Gee, Cedar Hovde, Bob & Barbara McDonald, Randall Nycek, Kathleen Ryan, Earl Shimp, Jr., Tim Sommer

**Health concerns:** Charlie Hoffman, Shirley Jenson, Ellis & BJ Keene, Marleen Lewis, Mauri Modesitt, John & Jean Moreland, Dawn Neal, Bobby Perkins, Matthew Reece, Emma Samuel, Marilyn Stringfellow, Dorothy Thomas, Jo-Auda Wilkin, Ann Wood, Helen Backman, Carol Beal, Motoko Walz

**Military personnel:** LCDR Matthew Beran, CPL Ryan Butler, LCDR Shannon Callahan, LCDR Traci Clark, Cadet Derek DeVecchis, Ken Goodson, Amanda Isaacsen, Gary Jaworski, SPC Lahman, Robert Maier, Sgt. James Smith

To All of my “Kitchen Cupcakes” : A big THANK YOU to all who helped in the kitchen to get the food ready each evening for all of our hungry children and helpers. VBS was a huge success once again this year. With God’s help and direction and my “cupcakes” we will all do it again next year!

*My Love to All, See You Next Year!*

*Tina*

- 8/12 Ellis & Betty Jane Keene
- 8/26 Chuck & Ann Wood
- 8/29 Roger & Sandra Stork
- 8/30 Pastor Jeff & Marti Moran



Be A  
Greeter

**GREETERS ARE NEEDED FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER!** ALL THAT IS REQUIRED IS THAT YOU COME A BIT EARLIER THAN USUAL AND BRING A WARM SMILE AND HAND-SHAKE! YOU WILL RECEIVE A REMINDER CALL BEFORE YOUR SUNDAY! SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX! CALL LIZ HITT 400 768-2317 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS!



MEN'S

LUNCHEON

### Men’s Luncheon at 1PM Every Friday

- August 6th—Beef O’Brady’s (Colonial & Fowler)
- August 13th—Saigon-Paris Bistro
- August 20th—University Grill
- August 27th—Nino’s

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