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# GENERATIONS OF GENEROSITY

An anthropologist proposed a game to children of an African Tribe. He put a basket of fruit near a tree and told the kids that the first one to reach the fruit would win them all. When he told them to run they all took each others hands and ran together, then sat together enjoying the fruits.

When asked why they ran like that, as one could have taken all the fruit for oneself, they said, "Ubuntu, how can one of us be happy if all the others are sad?" 'UBUNTU' is a philosophy of African tribes that can be summed up as "I am because we are."



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GRACE AND SHALOM,

*Bruce*

## 2018 Haiti Mission Trip - SIGN UP NOW!

Come be the hands and feet of Jesus, come with us to the **Yahve Jire Children's Foundation** in Despinos Haiti next summer and help us continue to build young lives and their home. We will be working on a pergola and gazebo and loving on the kids. WBPC has supported this foundation for 12 years and we need you to continue this ministry of loving our Christian brothers and sisters. Dates are June 21-29, 2018. Cost is \$1800 all inclusive. All we need now is \$100 deposit to reserve your seat. This is due **NOVEMBER 3, 2017**. Make checks out to WBPC and put in the note line: 2018 Haiti Mission Trip. Pray, Learn, Serve!! Come serve with us. For more Info, pick up a information sheet from the front office or call Kathy Johnson, Team Leader at 919.622.1059 [wojo2005@gmail.com](mailto:wojo2005@gmail.com).



## Urban Ministries Food Bags

Each month the Wednesday morning prayer group assembles food bags and delivers them to Urban Ministries. Food bag lists for donations can be found in the narthex and on the table outside the fellowship hall. Please drop off donations in the church narthex or on the table outside of the kitchen in the education building. Thank you for your giving hearts and generous spirits!

### Urban Ministries Food Bags

- 2 cans beans (any kind)
- 1 can carrots
- 1 can tomatoes
- 16 oz. jar applesauce *or* canned fruit
- 1 lb. grits (small bag)
- 1 lb. rice (small bag)
- 1 lb. dried beans (small bag)
- 2 boxes macaroni & cheese
- 2 envelopes powdered milk
- Tuna (or other canned meat)
- Peanut butter
- Box of cereal

*Leave in church narthex or on table outside kitchen in education building.*



## Save the Date! The Last Wednesday Night Live for 2017

Mark your calendars for November 8, 2017 for a special WNL speaker, Mr. Hank Snyder from West Raleigh Presbyterian Church. Mr. Snyder is a Vietnam Vet and his topic will be "Signs of God or Coincidences of War?" Hank Snyder tells his story when he was a drafted infantryman in Vietnam. He talks about his fears, his living conditions, and his experiences. He illustrates the many coincidences that occurred that managed to keep him alive, and convince him that God was ever present by answering his and his family's prayers. The CE Committee will have a special activity for the children.

## Youth Sunday School Update

Throughout the Bible, we find examples of God's justice and, in Christ, we see and hear the fulfillment of that justice. This quarter in the Youth Sunday School classes, we are looking at descriptions of God's justice as found in the psalms and prophets. Our curriculum examines how Christ's death and resurrection fulfilled God's justice and how Jesus taught others about justice through parables and stories. In our classes, we recognize that students learn in a variety of ways. God created each of us with different gifts and talents and each of us plays an important, specific role in a learning environment. So, while this is a discussion based class, we also incorporate music, videos, skits, art, etc. as part of our weekly lessons. Please encourage your youth-aged children to attend (Grades 6-12, Sunday mornings at 9:30am, Sunday afternoons at 4pm).

## November at Youth Fellowship!

- ⇒ On November 3rd we will be having a Movie Night from 6-8:30 pm. Snack will be provided!
- ⇒ We will be having 2 weeks of regular youth fellowship in November. On November 5th we will be doing some fun arts and crafts and on November 12th we will talk about gratitude.
- ⇒ Our first youth fellowship lock-in will be held November 17-18th from 8 pm - 9 am. There will be lot of snacks, great games, and tons of fun!
- ⇒ There will be no regular youth fellowship on November 19th so that we can rest up after the lock-in.
- ⇒ There will be no youth group on November 26th. Happy Thanksgiving!



## Moravian Lovefeast Coming Again this December

The Worship Committee has decided to offer the Moravian Lovefeast again this Christmas season. The Lovefeast we shared last year on Christmas morning was deeply meaningful to all in attendance. This year, the Lovefeast will be offered at 10:30 AM on Christmas Eve. Many servers will be needed this year, so if you are interested in helping, please contact the church office or indicate your interest on the tear-off form of this newsletter.

The Moravian Lovefeast is based on the Agape meals of the early church in which Christians gathered and broke bread together to signify their union in Christ and their love for one another. It is not a sacrament, but a service of love and fellowship among sisters and brothers in Christ. As in a traditional Moravian Lovefeast, we will serve hot buns and milk coffee (decaffeinated) during worship, and beeswax candles will be distributed. We hope you'll stop whatever you're doing Christmas Eve morning, grab a family member or friend, and come celebrate God's greatest gift of love to each and every one of us in the birth of our Savior.



**How I Would Like to Share the Joy of Advent at WBPC:**

- Decorate - Saturday, December 2, 9:00-11:00 am
- Give a poinsettia (see form below)
- Lay read on Christmas Eve
- Tidy sanctuary after Christmas Eve service
- Remove decorations - Saturday, January 6, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Usher: December 3  December 10  December 17
- December 24 morning worship  December 24 candlelight service
- December 31
- Serve at Moravian Love Feast Service, Sunday December 24, 10:30 am



Name \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please tear out and place in offering plate. Thank you!

**Alternative Gift Fair ~ Sunday, November 12**

Have you ever struggled to find just the right gift for the person who has everything? Then you won't want to miss the Alternative Gift Fair. The WBPC Mission/Outreach Committee has hosted the Alternative Gift Fair for 10 years as an effort to inspire us all to embrace meaningful gift giving. This year we are hosting 13 organizations that bring hope to individuals, children, and families from our church, neighborhood, and the world. Come to the fair on Nov. 12 in the Fellowship Hall directly after the morning worship service. Every donation can be made in honor of others. If you cannot attend that day, please refer to the brochure that will be distributed in church Nov. 5. This brochure describes each of the ministries that will be at the Alternative Gift Fair and includes a donation form on which you can indicate the organization(s) you want to support. You can include this form with your donation and return both to church. Let's show the true meaning of Christmas by honoring friends and family through donations to these ministries of Love.



**WBPC Poinsettia Order Form**



You may make a donation of \$10.00 to request a Poinsettia in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Gifts of Poinsettias will be recognized in a December worship bulletin. If you would like to remember or honor a special friend or relative, please complete this form (please print neatly) and return it with your donation to the church office by **Sunday, November 26**. Make checks payable to WBPC. Please write *Poinsettia* in the check memo line.

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of poinsettias requested: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Paid by  check  cash

Please tear out and place in offering plate. Thank you!

## PRAYER CONCERNS

**MEMBERS:** Gwen Orilio, Peggy Stevens, Burmester Family, John & Mary Jane Roberts, Bob Guzzo, Lorelei Partin, Jack Gebbie, Jimmie Smith

**FAMILY/FRIENDS:** Al Matthews (nephew of Barbara Tierney), Noah Sugg (Father of Colista Freeman), Lee Anne Mcleod (niece of Sue & Steve McLaughlin), Dereck Roberts (colleague of Bobby Simpson), Charlie Pelletier (Amy Burki's stepdad), Edward Thompson (son of Sarah and Jody), Melanie Goodwin (niece of Jimmy Wade), Mary Liles (mother of Barbara McIntire), Mary Weathers (mother of Nancy Simpson), Larry Landthere (friend of Robert Owens and Lynn Bell)

**BRIGHTON GARDENS:** Jo Gilmore

**BARBOUR NURSING HOME, SMITHFIELD:** Joyce Barbour

**WOODLAND TERRACE:** Margaret Pittman

*Sympathy extended to Jack Gebbie and family on the death of Dot Gebbie Oct. 22.*

## A Note Of Thanks

THANK YOU for celebrating my 50th birthday with Your Gifts to the Yave Jire Orphanage School, Port au Prince, Haiti! I greatly appreciate it.

Your friend and brother in Christ,  
Bruce



Kenlee Fischer	1
Currie Mixon	1
William Fischer	3
Mary Grayson Parker	5
Lydia Smith	9
Joseph Achidi	11
Kathy Johnson	14
Nita Brinkley	15
Bill Mitchell	15
Theresia Achidi	16
Joyce Barbour	18
Betty Connette	19
Gene Curtis	23
Gina Guzzo	23
Julian Bradley	24
Evie Goodman	28