

#### The Newsletter of the Mt. Zion Family IN TOUCH...

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"Making, Maturing, **Mobilizing Disciples** for Christ"

WORSHIP EACH SUNDAY AT 8:30, 9:45 AND 11:00 AM WEDNESDAY NIGHTS at 6:40 PM

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#### Jonathan's Journals Learning to Listen

"The first service that one owes to others in the fellowship consists of listening to them. Just as love of God begins with listening to his word, so the beginning of love for our brothers and sisters is learning to listen to them." -- Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Life Together

I am almost 50 years old, and I am still learning how to listen. Learning to listen is a life-long process. I think I am a better listener than I was a year ago. I hope that by next year, I will be a better listener than I am today. I am still learning how to listen; just ask Angela.

I have observed over the years that those who are the most eager to talk are also the ones who would benefit most by listening. This is a particularly hard truth for us preachers to hear, because we sometimes fool ourselves into thinking that our primary job is to talk. In reality, our primary calling is first to listen. It is only after we have first listened to God that we have anything worth saying to anyone else.

But this advice is not just for pastors. It is for all of us. Have we truly listened to those around us? To our families? To our friends? To our neighbors? To the other members of our church? What are they telling us? Listening is hard because it requires us to put away our preconceived ideas. How often have we listened to the first few words a person says, and then stopped listening What is God calling us to do? Let's listen! because we think we know where this is going? To listen means to let someone else be in control for a while. It means to make someone else the object of our

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attention, rather than insisting that we be the center of attention. In truly listening to another person, we relinguish our right to decide what is important. To listen is to let go of pride.

I am reminded of the story of when someone asked Mother Teresa what she did in prayer. "What do you say to God?" she was asked. She responded by saying, "I don't say much to God; I mainly just listen." "What does God say to you?" the reporter asked. "Not much" her response came, "but I listen anyway." As Dietrich Bonhoeffer also wrote, "To be silent does not mean to be inactive; rather it means to breathe in the will of God, to listen attentively, and be ready to obey."

I don't know which one comes first; listening to God or listening to people. I don't imagine that we could do one very well without doing the other.

As a new pastor in this area, I am trying my best to listen to God and to you. I am just beginning to learn your names, your stories, your families, and your dreams. So far, I like what I am hearing, so keep talking! I do not mean that everything I hear is happy. I will not know who you are until you have told me your sad stories as well as your happy ones. But in the telling and in the listening, we will get to know each other and we will hear also the voice of God, reminding us that we are His children and that He has a claim on our lives.

Peace.

Jonathan

#### Sunday Worship

On Sunday mornings in October, pastors Jonathan and Angela will be preaching a series of sermons entitled, "The Upside-Down Kingdom." We will be looking at passages from the Gospel of Mark that focus on true discipleship. The values of God's kingdom seek to turn the world upside down. Each week we will examine passages that reveal a different way that God inverts the culture at large and requires us to live a life "upside down."

On October 21st during all worship services, Bible Story Books and Bibles will be presented to 4 yr olds and First graders.

#### Wednesday Night Worship

Wednesday Night Worship continues this month on October 3, 10, 17 & 24. We will not have worship on October 31. You can drop the kids off at 6:30, the service will begin in the sanctuary at 6:40, and we will be finished by 7:30. Typically on Wednesday evenings, the Youth Praise Band will lead the music, a message will be shared by one of the pastors, and Holy Communion will be celebrated. Come enjoy this informal time of worship in the middle of the week and invite a friend to come with you!

# **MOUNT ZION CELEBRATES HOMECOMING**



### HOMECOMING, A CELEBRATION OF MT. ZION: THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

Mt. Zion celebrated its 191st Anniversary on September 23rd at one joint service at 10:30. We enjoyed music from the praise band, chancel choir, one piano/four hand medley by Woody Washam and Shelley Little, a baptism, a sermon from Angela on "Wisdom From Above, and the celebration of the Kirkin' O' The Tartans with a bagpiper playing on the front steps. We then enjoyed a lunch and entertainment from Heaven's Reign and the Ladies Trio. It was a glorious day of fellowship, remembrance and celebration of the past, present and future of Mt. Zion!



### LIFETIME ACHIEVMENT AWARD

Once a person has joined the United Methodist Church they

promise to faithfully uphold the church through their prayers, their presence, their gifts and their service. Some folks go beyond these words and this year's recipient has done just that. When we look back over the 44 years he and his family has been members of Mt Zion he has been actively involved in various committees of the church and community. Never saying no whenever asked to serve his church.

He has truly lived out his vows to Mt Zion.

Today on behalf of our church I have the honor to present the Lifetime Achievement Award to such a person who embodies the motto of Mt Zion-----Making, Maturing, and Mobilizing Disciples for Christ.

The 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award is given to **Mr. Tom Dutton.** 





We would like to congratulate the recipient of the Towel and Basin Award for 2018. **Gaylon White** has been a member of Mt. Zion for over 30 years. He embodies the servant heart of Christ in all that he does. There is no way to adequately measure the number of youth and adults whom he has loved and served over the years. Gaylon has served as a youth counselor for 27 years, a Sunday School teacher for both the



Sonseekers and Serendipity Classes for over 20 years, a leader in the Boy Scouts for over 10 years, and a participant in various mission activities including ASP, BBQ, Magical Mt. Christmas, College Adoption Program, Bus driver and many others. **We applaud a well-deserved honor.** 



# 79TH Annual Mt. Zion UMC BBQ

Saturday, November 3, 2018 (11:00 AM - until the food is gone!)

### We want EVERYONE to be apart of this annual event! Below are the ways you can help:



**VOLUNTEER:** We need volunteers – no amount of time or effort is too small! Work has already started. Come the day of the BBQ or the day before. You can sign up on the Mt. Zion website or the following link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e4daca72aa31-2018

Any questions call Jan Horton (home) 704-892-0560 (cell) 704-737-2786



**DONATE:** We need DESSERTS! All Desserts can be dropped off at the Family Life Center starting on Friday, November 2nd, from 9 AM to 8 PM or the morning of the day of the BBQ.



### ATTEND, INVITE OTHERS, and ENJOY:

Food is available in the dining room of the Family Life Center and by our drive thru take out line. You can also buy BBQ by the pound

In advance, we Thank You for your help. Come join in with the fun, food, and fellowship of the day. It takes a village.....

# **CHILDREN'S CORNER**

First graders and 4 year-olds will be presented with a Bible on Sunday, October 21st at all services!

**Safe Sanctuary Training** will be held in the Conference Room in the FLC on **Sunday, October** 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 AM.

**Kids Club at the Mount includes Music with Ms. Shelley**: Meets Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Room 107 for ages four through Fifth GRADE. Childcare will be provided for ages three and younger in Room 101.

Acolytes Needed: Students that are in 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade and above that are interested in being an Acolyte for the 2018-2019 can sign up at: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b094eafa622a2f58-mtzion</u>. Please contact Stacey Mercuri <u>smercuri@mtzionumc.net</u> if you have questions.

Halloween Fun Fest! This will be a 2 hour event, on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 PM Schedule = 5:00 – 6:15 Dinner, Games, Crafts and a Dessert Walk 6:15 Costume Parade 6:30-7 Trunk or Treat\* \*Decorated vehicles are needed.

**M.O.M.S. (Moms Offering Mutual Support) Meeting** will take place on Tuesday October 16th in the Parlor at 7:00 PM All moms are invited!

Special Needs Sunday School Teachers Needed for the 2018-2019 Year: We have two immediate openings for the first Sunday of every month for the Special Needs Sunday School class.

Please contact Stacey Mercuri smercuri@mtzionumc.net if you are interested.

Upcoming Dates: October Events October 3<sup>rd</sup> Kids Club @ the Mount @ 6:30 October 10<sup>th</sup> Kids Club @ the Mount @ 6:30 October 16<sup>th</sup> MOMS Meeting 7 pm Parlor October 17<sup>th</sup> Kids Club @ the Mount @ 6:30 October 21<sup>st</sup> Presentation of Bibles October 24<sup>th</sup> Kids Club @ the Mount @ 6:30 October 28<sup>th</sup> Halloween Fun Fest From 5 to 7 October 31<sup>st</sup> No Kids Club @ the Mount



## **HIS MINISTRY NEWS**



His (Special Needs Ministries) programs for October

His ministry kick off was delayed inSeptember but we are ready to go for October! Please join us!

*TUST AS I AM* in the Hut October 14th at 4:30 for fun and fellowship, at the Feast (modified worship service)

THE FEAST in the Family Life Center October 21st at 11:00

**SUSTAIN** Mt. Zion is honored to offer Sustain, a support group for parents and care givers those with special needs. The goal of this Pastor-led support group is to offer blessing and support. It is hoped that this small group opportunity will provide a safe place to talk/cry/laugh/share, prevent feelings of isolation, and facilitate the sharing of information about issues and solutions. Sustain (our caregiver support group) will also have the first meeting on **October 14th at 5:00 at the Hut**.

### <u>JEDI NIGHT</u>

JEDI night (fellowship with youth) for Trunk or Treat from 5 to 7 PM.

<u>AGAPE Sunday School</u> Every Sunday 9:45 – 10:45 AM Room #2 FLC We hope you can join us - either as a guest or a volunteer. Everyone is welcome at His!



### SONSHINE PRESCHOOL

Did you know Sonshine Preschool offers scholarships to families in need? We currently are serving four children with scholarships for the 2018 – 2019 preschool year. Thank you for your wonderful support of the Sonshine Preschool Scholarship Fund!

Are you or a neighbor looking for a great preschool where children play, grow and learn in God's love? Check out Sonshine Preschool! We have a few openings in our threes and fours.

Our October Mission for our preschoolers will be UMCOR. Every day sweet, little hands will be putting loose change (and some dollar bills) into a huge jar to help other people affected by hurricanes, floods, disasters, etc. North and South Carolina have been heavily impacted and continue to be. Recovery and rebuild will take a while. Be looking to see how much these sweet, little friends have helped!

In November, our monthly mission will be the Cornelius Animal Shelter. We will be collecting old and new towels, canned dog food, Special Kitty cat litter, dishwashing detergent and laundry detergent (HE kind). If you would like to help the shelter, you can leave your items at the preschool office. Thank you God for animals to love.

Come check out Sonshine's Annual Fall Scholastic Book Fair, October 15 - 18! We will be upstairs in the Education Building. Come buy a book for someone special and help build Sonshine's library for the children. Happy reading!

Sonshine Preschool Preciousness: Email from parent:

Claire Bear (as we call her) began kindergarten this year. Her mother was very anxious on the first day and was reminding her how to be-

have and to be safe. Claire Bear spoke up and said "Mommy, I will be fine. I learned I am a child of God at



Sonshine Preschool." Can we get a Hallelujah from all you children of God?

October's Favorite Bible Verse: "Look at the wonderful things God made." Job 37:14

# **MUSIC NEWS WITH MS. SHELLEY**

What a wonderful day of celebration we had on Homecoming Sunday! It was absolutely spectacular to have the Praise Team in the Sanctuary to join with us in worship, along with the Chancel Choir, our "one piano/four hand medley", a baptism, Angela's glorious message and the "Kirkin' O' the Tartans" ceremony at the end of the service, with the support of the bagpiper playing on the front porch. The luncheon on the lawn with Heaven's Reign and the ladies' trio was the icing on the cake for the day...THANK YOU ALL!

In music news, we are still recruiting hand bell ringers to join us on Thursday evenings at 5:30 to rehearse in the bell room under the sanctuary, to prepare for playing on a Sunday in November and on December 23rd for the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services. Come join us!

**The Chancel Choir** continues to rehearse on **Thursday evenings @7:00** in the choir room to prepare for Sunday services, and we have started practicing the Christmas Cantata to be presented on December 16th. There is room for YOU!

This Babygarten session ends on Saturday, October 6th. We are having a wonderful time with this precious curriculum each week on Wednesday and Saturday mornings at 10:00 AM, in room 201 in the Education Building. Even if you have not been participating and have a newborn to 2-year-old child, please come for the rest of our classes! The next session will begin in 2019.

Testify Youth Choir meets every Sunday at 1:30 in the FLC, all youth grades 6th-12th grade are welcome! Come join us!

**Mark Your Calendars! The Autumn Daze Singers will meet at 10:30 AM** (in the gathering room at Autumn Care) on October 12th to sing for the residents. This is open to anyone who wants to join us to sing a few hymns, patriotic tunes and "oldies" for our precious friends. If you want to join us, please just show up and we will provide you with the music you need to begin singing at 11:00 for about 30 minutes. This is truly a wonderful experience for us each second Friday of every month!

Last, but certainly not least, the children are practicing for the Christmas musical, "A Rock and Royal Christmas", on Wednesday evenings during the Wednesday night services. We practice in the Education

Building downstairs at 6:30, and this is for children ages 3 through 5th grades.

Thank you, Mount Zion Family, for your love and support of this ministry!



Blessings, Shelley

# YOUTH MINISTRIES NEWS



**PARENT'S MEETING:** The annual parent meeting has been rescheduled for **October 7 at 5:30 PM to 6:15 PM in the Youth Room # 4.** Fuel for the students as usual and a parent meeting for parents. The parent meeting is not your typical youth group parent meeting. At this session, you will receive a calendar, **information for ASP and the Middle School Mission Trips**, discuss expectations and yearly goals, but the majority of the time will focus on fellowship, encouragement, and getting to know my wife, Naidra and me a little bit better.

**CONFIRMATION MEETING**: There will be a parent meeting on **October 7 at 6:30 PM in the Youth Room #4.** Pastor Angela and I will go over the class curriculum, requirements, and expectations for Confirmation 2019. Traditionally at Mt. Zion UMC, confirmation has been for 8th-grade students. However, any interested parents are invited to attend this Confirmation Parent Meeting on **Sunday, October 7 at 6:30 PM to learn more about Confirmation 2019**.

**TSUNAMI FX2018 RETREAT!:** Nov. 9-11th! Registration is open! Tsunami FX2018 is a beautiful retreat and experience. DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR DISCOUNTED RATES. (A FEW SPOTS REMAIN) Register at the FUEL website.

**ZOMBIE SURVIVAL NIGHT**: Sunday, Oct. 21st 4:30-7:00 PM in our gym, we have a great night planned with food and fun "Zombie" game. Bring a backpack, a bandana if you have one, and wear comfortable clothes/shoes for being outside. We will close the night with a short devotion and music. Feel free to invite your friends anytime!

**FUEL/JEDI NIGHT HALLOWEEN PARTY: Sunday, October 28**, youth need to meet in the gym at **4:30 PM** to help set up. Please wear your best costume. The Halloween Party will begin promptly at 5 PM and go until 7 PM.

God Bless! Howard

# **UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION**

### **MT. ZION UMC BBQ SPONSOR**



BE A SPONSOR- A \$25 donation in honor, in memory or in celebration of someone will help us offset the cost of the BBQ. Please consider purchasing a BBQ ANGEL to help us keep the cost of the BBQ down. All BBQ Angels

will be posted in the Family Life Center dining hall during the day of the BBQ. See Jan Horton after each church service in October or contact the church office to purchase your BBQ ANGEL.

In advance, thank you for your help. Come join in with the fun, food, and fellowship of the day. It takes a village.....

# Operation Christmas Child

# Shoe Box Ministry

After sharing the story of the Good Samaritan, Jesus said "Go and do likewise." That is the mission of Samaritan's Purse-to follow the example of Christ by helping those in need and



proclaiming the hope of the Gospel. Mt Zion will be collecting shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. There will be brochures and boxes available in the Family Life Center, Sanctuary, and the top floor of the Education Building during the month of October. Please have your filled shoe boxes &/or donation envelopes in the church library by Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions, contact Patti Keener at 704-820-9907 or Torrie Thompson at 704-896-0312. Thank you for supporting this outreach ministry.

SAVE THE DATE: Veterans Day is Sunday, November 11th

A Veterans luncheon will be served after the 11:00 service. Mark your calendars! More information to come.

### Repairers of the Breach Special Assistance Ministry

This ministry helps families in need in our community and are sent to us through Ada Jenkins Center. These families all live in either Huntersville, Cornelius, or Davidson. We put together boxes for 90 families 215 children and provide each family with a box of food, winter clothing and toys for Christmas. We do this to help them during the Christmas school vacation time when many of these families struggle to feed their children. It takes approximately \$150 per family to accomplish this. You can choose to sponsor a family by making a monetary donation that will be used to purchase the goods we need to fill their boxes or an individual donation of new clothing or toys and food is another way to help. No donation is too small and at the end, any items left over will go to either Ada Jenkins or Crisis Assistance. But, we need your help!

Since this is a ministry where donations come from our congregation, we rely on our members to help with donations of items, monetary donations, or their own time as volunteers to help process and deliver to our families. We need people to do this........We Need You! If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, contact Tom Russell either by phone (704)-507-2493 or email at tom@moisturewarranty.com. Here at the start we will be open the first couple of weeks on Wednesday and Thursday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 and on Saturdays from 11:00 to 2:00.

We are planning a day time schedule and will announce it shortly. Donations can be dropped off during those times and during the daytime hours, Monday thru Friday, you can drop off any donations at my office at Moisture Warranty Corp., 20227 Railroad Street, Cornelius from 9:00 until 5:00.

We need volunteers during these hours to help with needed items, pack boxes, wrap toys and clothing and help at the end with delivery to the families. Remember these are our children, each year around 125 of the 200 children come from Cornelius. Most go to school with our children and are from single parent families and spend considerable time fending for themselves with no help, so let's ease that burden.

We are having our organizational meeting Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 6:30 to 8 in room 209 for all than can attend. We will update those that can't by e-mail.

Thank you all!! Tom Russell

# **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **Bereavement Teams**

We are looking for compassionate members who would be willing to serve on a Bereavement Team during the coming year. Each team is comprised of 6-7(one leader) men and women who would be called on to provide a meal, etc. to our families who suffer loss of a family member. Typically, each team would only be called on twice per year.

There are no meetings and the obligation is a small amount of time and a donation of food. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry opportunity or volunteering to serve; please contact Theresa Schwab at 704 661-3310.

#### **Communion Servers**

You are invited to assist our pastors in serving Holy Communion. E-mail or call Pastor Tony if you want to experience the joy of serving SERVICE FOR Holy Communion! Call the church office or email Tony at tmoreau@mtzionumc.net.

### **USHERS NEEED**

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN **BEING AN USHER** FOR THE 11:00 2019 PLEASE CALL OR TEXT **RITCHIE CRUMP** AT 704-577-2359.

# **CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS**

# The Sympathy of the Congregation

is extended to the family of Eloise Gant who passed away on August 21st and to the family

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of Dot Fidler who passed away on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

### September Baptism

Callie Marie Ritchie was baptized at the 10:30 service on September 23rd. She is the daughter of Stephanie and Cory Ritchie.

CONGRATULATIONS!



### SPECIAL GIFTS WERE GIVEN...

**IN MEMORY OF** Elizabeth Westmoreland a gift was given to the budget. **IN MEMORY OF** Eloise Bebber Gant gifts were given to the cemetery fund.

#### MT. ZION UMC UNAUDITED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

01/01/2018 - 08/31/2018 2018 General Fund Budget \$1,262,630. Budget Gifts: \$653,188.

THANK YOU! Budget Expenses: \$667,025.

General Fund Cash on Hand: \$132,133.

Capital Funds Gifts Received: \$4,173.00.

Capital Funds Expenses: \$0 Capital Funds Cash on Hand: \$19,826.

Funds Received for Helping Hands (Pastor's Discretionary Fund): \$ 2,333.

Please contact Patti Loner

#### WORSHIP LED BY MT. ZION AT AUTUMN CARE

**Every Sunday morning at 10:00,** worship services are conducted by Mt. Zion members at Autumn Care-- the skilled care nursing facility on the Mt. Zion Senior Campus. Autumn Care is a skilled care facility for long term and short term care. Our services there each Sunday are part of our mission to reach out to seniors in our church and community. This is a way to bring worship to those who are unable to get out to attend this church or their home church.

October presenters: October 7: Richard Little October 14: Rev. Brian Darr October 21:Oak Grove Baptist Church October 28: David Hodson Music by Anna Akins

### THANK YOU

We want to thank everyone who contributed time and talents to making our 2018 Homecoming such a success. We do not want to miss anyone as this was a large team effort:

Nurture Team and their spouses – Suzie & Kenny Inman, Dora & David Dalmas, Shelia & Dale Readling, Nancy & Eric Johnson and Theresa & Hal Schwab.

Homecoming Team – Delores Edwards, Phyllis Deaton, Suzie Caldwell, Pat Caldwell, Anna Drury, Shawna & Robert Sherrill, Jan & Larry Horton, Ginger Andersen & Scott Chiccarello, Buddy & Dee Phillips.

Judy Hodson and the Tartan Sponsors/ Presenters.

Martha Jenkins - Children's Lesson

Praise Team and Chancel Choir Members – Woody, Melanie, and Shelley

Heaven's Reign Quartet – Michael (thanks for all the sound expertise), Jon, Buddy and Larry

Faith, Hope and Grace – Anna Drury, Janelle Masters and Felicia Davis

Tony, Angela and Jonathan (We are so lucky to have you all!)

Howard and the Youth for the games

Kepner Funeral Home and everyone else who helped to set up and clean up and behind the scenes

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO Debbie Jackson for all her hard work in coordinating the homecoming event.



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Date	8:30	9:45	11:00	Total
9/2	91	90	163	344
9/9	80	97	155	332
9/16	41	50	83	174
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#### "MAKING, MATURING, MOBILIZING DISCIPLES FOR CHRIST"

MEN OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME to attend a **MEN'S COMMUNITY** PRAYER BREAKFAST now meeting on every other Wednesday, 7 AM at Bethel Presbyterian Church: 19920 Bethel Church Road, Cornelius, NC 28031. Breakfast will be provided. Dates for October are October 3, October 17, and October 31st.

All women of the church and community are invited to join the WOMEN OF ZION small group! Our group meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Galway Hooker Restaurant in Cornelius. We meet at 7:00 pm for fellowship and a devotional program. Please contact us at mzwoz1@gmail.com if you would like more information and to get the monthly meeting reminders. We look forward to seeing you the first Tuesday of each month!

Please send any articles you would like to have included in the newsletter to the church by October 25th. In order for us to get the newsletter to you by November 1st we have moved up the deadline.

They may be emailed to kfellows@mtzionumc.net

#### Thank you!!

NEW BEGINNINGS ... We bowl, go to movies, take tours and just have friendship with others that have lost a spouse.

We have something going on all the time!

TO RECEIVE OUR MONTHLY **NEWSLETTER OR IF YOU WOULD** LIKE INFORMATION, PLEASE CON-TACT: Barbara Broadway: email: bbroadway47@gmail.com 704-996-7000 or Shirley Ranson: email: Shirley@ransonteam.com 704-904-0973

YOU ARE INVITED .... SEWIN' LOVE (FORMERLY DRESS A GIRL) MEETS THE SECOND AND FOURTH WEDNESDAYS OF EACH MONTH in the Youth Room at 6:30 PM. Everyone is Welcome! We will teach, No experience necessary! Bringing your own sewing machine is welcome but not necessary. You may contact Jennifer Hall at jmartinhall@hotmail.com or Robin LAMbert at rllambert96@gmail.com.

> MOMS – Mothers Offering Mutual Support meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the church Parlor at 7:00 PM. Young moms from pregnancy through preschool age children are welcome.

The ladies of the **PRAYER** SHAWL MINISTRY invite you to join them on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 to knit/crochet prayer shawls and baby blankets. No matter what your skill level may be, there is a place for you. If you are interested in learning how to knit, they can help with that, as well. (Yarn is provided.) They meet in the church Parlor (located on the upper level of the Family Life Center) and hope to see you soon!