

December 2024 Church & Community Ministries Newsletter
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The Christmas Toy Ministry is here! Volunteers are needed at all times. Dates to remember:

- Application Day: Saturday December 7, 9:00 – 12:00
- Set-up begins Monday, Dec. 9th - 9:00 – 4:00
- Set-up continues Tuesday, Dec. 10th - 9:00-4:00
- Finish set-up & prayer walk on Wednesday Dec. 11th – 9:00 – 11:30
- Toy Distribution Thursday, Dec. 12th – 9:00 – 4:30
- Toy Distribution Friday morning only 9:00 – 11:30. (We'll have lunch then replenish shelves & other chores)
- Toy Distribution Saturday Dec. 14th – 9:00 – 12:00 – lunch break then pack up remaining toys.
- ***Pastors & laypersons needed to counsel with parents during toy distribution hours.***

Please pray for parents to be receptive to the Gospel message if they do not know Him and encouragement for those who do. Pray for plentiful gifts, volunteers, & most importantly counselors

CCM will not re-open after the Toy Ministry until January 2nd, however we will be working to set the Thrift store back up during the remainder of the month. At this point in time, I do not know what those days will be but we will welcome help. I will also be available to take in donations, just give me a call.

Stocking Stuffers: December – decorated gift boxes, rolls of wrapping paper, scotch tape, & gift bags

Central Children's Home Birthdays: Dec. – No birthdays

Henderson Men's Shelter needs: Cleaning Products

- Laundry Detergent - PODS please
- Clorox Cleanup Spray
- Paper Towels
- Disposable rubber gloves
- Tall Kitchen Trash Bags (13 Gallon Size)
- Extra large black garbage bags (55+ gallon size)

The families and individuals affected by Hurricane Helene are constantly on our minds. How can we help them? Prayer is the first step, then give, and go. **Baptist on Mission** estimates that a rebuild program for western Carolina will take 4 to 5 years. In the meantime, homes will be receiving basics repairs to get families back into their homes and out of the cold. Funds are needed as it will cost \$15,000.00 per home to supply insulation, flooring, sheetrock, electrical, plumbing, HVAC, a functional kitchen and bathroom with a goal of repairs to 1,000 homes. Volunteer skilled licensed plumbers, electricians and people with construction skills are needed because all this work must be done to code, working with county building inspectors. Most all of our churches have already taken a love offering for WC as well as having sent workers. My challenge to the FRBA churches: pray; take another offering or have a fundraiser; send workers thereby doing as much as we can to relieve the suffering these people are enduring. CCM will have a fundraiser in January through the thrift store. More details in the New Year.

Romans 15:13: *"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."*