

April 2025 CCM Newsletter
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Our goal for the Women's Prison Red Box is 1200 bags of 3.8 oz bags of Jolly Rancher candy for the Women's Prison Red Box. **Don't make the mistake that I did** – *be sure to get the hard candies, not the chewy variety*. You may also buy in bulk and place 18 pieces of any flavor in a ziplock sandwich bag then drop off by CCM or by the FRBA Office.

I am often asked what gifts to buy the **9-18 Toy Ministry age group** so here are some suggestions. Girls: hair dryers, curling irons, eyelash curlers as well as false eyelashes, sports balls, board games, bead kits, fashionable purses, wallets, make-up bag, jewelry (get your teenage children or grandchildren to help you select – in other words – No old lady stuff!) Boys: wallets, jewelry suitable for guys such as a chain necklace or braided bracelet, gaming headset, shaving/toiletry bag, magnetic dart board, card or board games, sports balls (no footballs – we have plenty left from last year), science kits. I'll add more to the list as the year goes but this should get you started.

CCM's Back Yard Block Party will be held August 2nd at the Oxford Housing Authority located at 101 Hillside Dr, Oxford. We're changing the time to 11:00 this year as the children tend to sleep in on Saturday mornings. Needed: A group to teach the Bible lesson including a craft; 3 or 4 games with prizes & operators, a couple volunteers to register the children; a group to cook and serve the hot dog meal – CCM provides the foods and paper products; a popcorn and or cotton candy machine and operators; a couple people to monitor the bouncy house; a couple people to distribute the backpacks of school supplies; Lynette Frazier has bingo for adults covered. Kona Ice will also be present. By taking on one of these centers, you can make this day one of your church's ServeNC projects. It's a fun day with great potential to reach children for Christ by sharing His love through our words and actions! Let me know how you can help and the sooner the better!

Gift cards, non-perishable foods, & cleaning supplies for the **Baptist Children's Home** are due by the end of April. Drop off by the FRBA Office.

Both backpacks and Bibles are now available for this year's **Appalachian Backpack Ministry**. Please call the FRBA office and reserve yours. In addition, you will also receive a copy of the Christmas story to include in each backpack. Instruction info can be found online at Baptist on Mission or I will be glad to print you out a copy. FYI: CCM has a supply of winter hats, gloves, and scarves that you use in your backpacks. Just come by choose what you need.

CCM also has a number of totes filled with items that can be used in **Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes**. We pull these items from donations to CCM. Please feel free to stop by and choose items for your shoeboxes. First come, first served. Also, CCM will order shoeboxes mid-summer. Let me know how many your church wants.

Stocking Stuffers: April -boy's small socks, May -boy's medium socks, June- toothpaste, July – toothbrushes – No multipacks, August – glue sticks/colored pencils, Sept – journals/ink pens, October – coloring books/crayons, November -throw blankets, December – gift boxes, rolls of wrapping paper, scotch tape, & gift bags

Central Children's Home Birthdays: April – no children - First Baptist Butner; May – No children – Amis Chapel; June – 2 children - First Baptist Butner;; July – No children; August – 1 child

Galatians 6:10 *Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.*