

COVENANT NEWS
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OPPORTUNITIES – Week of May 20, 2018

- Sunday, May 20**
 9:15 am Coffee & Donuts Fellowship
 in Honor of Pastor Chris & Amanda
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service
 4:00 – 7:00 pm Spring Fling
 Fellowship Hall & Picnic Shelter Reserved
- Monday, May 21**
 6:30 pm Diaconate Meeting
- Tuesday, May 22**
 9:00 am Speeders – Firestone Grill
- Wednesday, May 23**
 5:45 pm Fellowship Meal
 6:30 pm Children’s Musical Presentation

*The secretary will be off May 18 and 25.
 The church office will be closed.*

VOLUNTEERS

	BABIES & TODDLERS	PRESCHOOL
MAY 20	Susan Herd	Pam Phillips & Assistant

MAY		
DEACON	BUILDING LOCK-UP	USHERS
Trudy Shuford	Rick Richard	Covenant Deacons

Wednesday Fellowship Meal – May 23

**Adults & Children – Hamburgers & Fixins
 Dessert and Beverage**

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

*“Look to the LORD and His strength;
 Seek his face always.” I Chronicles 16:11 NIV*

Pam Buckner (Salvation for a Mother)
 (Dennis Clark, Becky Bumgardner’s cousin)
 (Regina Elmore, Linda Bess’ sister)
 (Mary Kerley) (Charlain Fitzgerald)
 (Lena Marston – 4 years old – Cancer
 Betty Ammons, Friend of Family)
 (Larry Marshall) (Ernie Smith)
 (Jerry Moss, Gayle Beam’s brother)

**In Honor of
 Pastor Chris & Amanda’s
 First Sunday**

**Coffee & Donuts
 Sunday at 9:15 am**



**Sunday, May 20
 4 – 7 pm**

**Cornhole, Horse Shoes,
 Face Painting & Food!**

Vacation Bible School
Shipwrecked - Rescued by Jesus
June 24—28 6:30 pm—8:30pm
(6:00pm- light supper served)
Ages 3 - Grade 5



**Mark your calendars and
plan to attend this special week!**

Children will experience the theme for each day - Jesus Rescues Us: when we're lonely, worried, struggling and when we do wrong - through Bible Discovery, Castaway Sing and Play, Ship Rec Games, Creative Crafts and more!

Volunteers are needed. Please contact me if you are willing to serve in this important ministry.

Thanks,
Ms. Pam

A Noble Task

***"Here is a trustworthy saying:
Whoever aspires to be an overseer
desires a noble task." 1 Timothy 3:1 NIV***

A relative of mine told me that a preaching professor told him this: "if you want to do anything else in life instead of being a pastor, do it."

The implication is that there is a lot of hard work, hardship, dedication, and heartache involved in the pastorate. From those I have spoken with who are doing it, this is the truth. While you and I will never know the sleepless nights they face, the discouragement they sometimes feel, and non-normal schedules they keep, those who pastor do it out of love for people and the Word of God. It's a calling on their lives.

Bless your pastor and his family today.

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Children's End-of-Year Musical Presentation
May 23 6:30 pm

Save the Date

The children will be singing and playing the chimes. Make plans to join us for this special presentation!

If you wish to join us for dinner, you will need to call the church office by 12 noon Tuesday, May 22.



**MISSION ACTION COUNCIL
PROJECT REPORT**

We made a request for hygiene items for nursing home residents, and again, the response was overwhelming!

Four large boxes filled with hygiene items were delivered—two each to Rosewood and Wellington House.

They were very much appreciative for our gifts and caring spirit.

Thank you,
Mission Action Council



**MISSION ACTION COUNCIL
PROJECT FOR MAY & JUNE**

**CANNED GOODS
FOR
CRISIS ASSISTANCE MINISTRY**

