BLESSING BOX

Bethany's Blessing Box relies strictly on your donations. There is a huge need for this ministry in our community. The Blessing Box is currently running low on supplies. Please consider donating some of the following items: canned stews and meat (turn, chicken, etc.), canned fruits and individual fruit cups, canned vegetables, individual pasta, rice, cereal, and bottled water. Thank you for your generosity!

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NEW BNOW CLASS FOR KIDS

The Fall session of Bethany NOW Wednesday Nights will begin on Sept. 6. We are in the process of creating a new class for kids ages Kindergarten - 5th grade. This will be an alternative to the Melody or Wesley Choir practices. The Bible Adventure class will divide into two sections, Kindergarten - 2nd Grade from 6-6:45pm and 3rd - 5th grade from 6:45-7:30pm. The class will learn Bible basics, play games, have trivia and have other activities to reinforce Bible skills, as well as learn about the basics of worship and why we do things the way we do them. We are looking for two leaders for the class, all material and supplies will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact someone in Children's Ministries.

SCAN TO GIVE OPTION

It's easier than ever to give now! Simply scan this QR Code & you will be directed to PushPay, our online giving platform. You can also text 833.245.8417 and give right from your phone! If you would prefer to give

the traditional way, giving envelopes can be found in your pew for cash and check donations.



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UNDESERVING YET UNCONDITIONALLY LOVED

2 Samuel: 9: 1-13 Rev. Mark Barnes

We're Glad You're Here

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August 6, 2023

• Order of Worship

Welcome & Announcements Songs of Faith Offering Song of Faith Pastoral Prayer Kids' Moment Scripture 2 Samu Message "Under Communion Song of Faith Benediction

2 Samuel: 9: 1-13 "Underserving yet unconditional"

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David asked, "Is there anyone still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan's sake?"Now there was a servant of Saul's household named Ziba. They summoned him to appear before David, and the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" "At your service," he replied. The king asked, "Is there no one still alive from the house of Saul to whom I can show God's kindness?" Ziba answered the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan; he is lame in both feet." "Where is he?" the king asked. Ziba answered, "He is at the house of Makir son of Ammiel in Lo Debar." So King David had him brought from Lo Debar, from the house of Makir son of Ammiel. When Mephibosheth son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came to David, he bowed down to pay him honor.David said, "Mephibosheth!" "At your service," he replied."Don't be afraid," David said to him, "for I will surely show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan. I will restore to you all the land that belonged to your grandfather Saul, and you will always eat at my table." Mephibosheth bowed down and said, "What is your servant, that you should notice a dead dog like me?"

Then the king summoned Ziba, Saul's steward, and said to him, "I have given your master's grandson everything that belonged to Saul and his family. You and your sons and your servants are to farm the land for him and bring in the crops, so that your master's grandson may be provided for. And Mephibosheth, grandson of your master, will always eat at my table." (Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants.) Then Ziba said to the king, "Your servant will do whatever my lord the king commands his servant to do." So Mephibosheth ate at David's[a] table like one of the king's sons. Mephibosheth had a young son named Mika, and all the members of Ziba's household were servants of Mephibosheth. And Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem, because he always ate at the king's table; he was lame in both feet.

NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED

The nursery is looking for people to round out our staff. 5-8 hours per week, primarily on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. More hours may be available according to the church calendar. \$13 per hour. Please stop by the nursery or call the church office if interested.

HANDS OF CHRIST-MONETARY DONATIONS STILL NEEDED- NEEDED BY AUGUST 13!

Monetary donations are still being collected to buy school supplies for the 2023-2024 school year. We have about 33% earned toward our goal. Monetary donations may be made online, placed in the offering plate on Sunday, or dropped off at the Business Office. Please put in the memo line "Hands of Christ.". Donations are needed by August 13. We continue to need empty book bags to distribute to some of the district schools. Our goal is to collect 200 book bags. These can be dropped off in the Business Office anytime before August 13th. The book bags that we donate will have our Bethany backpack tags with them. This year we are supporting 26 local schools with these school supplies and bookbags. Please help make our Hands of Christ mission a success !! Volunteers will also be needed to distribute the supplies during the week of August 14-18. More details on distribution will be coming soon!

PROMOTION SUNDAY & BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS Sunday, August 20 will be Promotion Sunday and the Blessing of the Backpacks. On this Sunday, all children will move up to their new Sunday School class. Bring your backpacks to church and receive a special blessing before school starts. We will also be handing out tags for the kids to attach to their backpacks to remember that their church family is praying for them and that Jesus is always with them!

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