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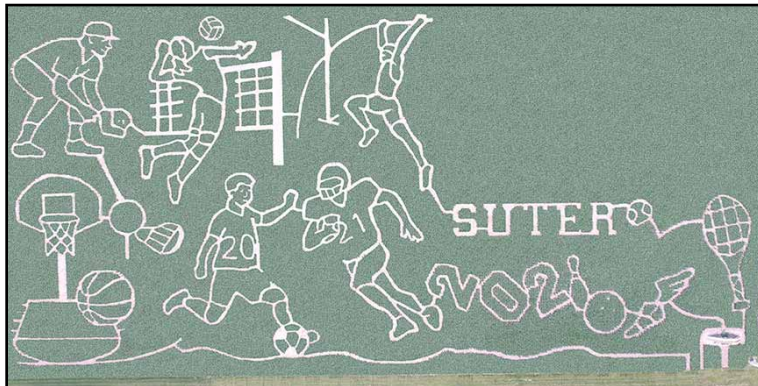
Tom Sanford

Kingdom Harvest Ministries will be holding their Fall Fundraiser Banquet at New Horizons Church in Rockford on October 26. We would love to tell you all about how God is blessing us with this program in both the Parkway and Celina School Systems! Come and hear testimonies from students and faculty while enjoying a good meal with us. Guests may start arriving at 6:00 pm and supper will follow shortly after. All are encouraged to register for this event on our website www.kingdomharvestministries.org under the registration tab. You can see either Pastor Justin or Tom Sanford for more details!



newLife THRIVE YOUTH CORNER

Make sure to schedule off work for Sunday, October 31, as we are heading to Suter's Corn Maze at 3:00 pm that day! Make sure to bring a \$5 bill for admission and some extra money if you would like to buy some cider or popcorn. There are lots of games and activities after, as well as a lot of corn! The youth leaders will provide cold meat sandwiches for supper and snacks are available to purchase at the location. See you there!



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Band of Brothers Clay Shoot October 23 8:30 am

This event is open to all men 18 and older and will be held at Mad River Sportsman Club in Bellefontaine. Bring Your shotgun and enough 7.5-8 shot shells for 100 clays at 14 different stations. If you don't have a shotgun, let one of the leaders know. Cost is \$42 per person. Lunch is provided immediately after the shoot. Sign up in the foyer or see Jeff Monfort!

October 6, 13, 20, & 27



Parenting classes will be held during our regular Wednesday services on these dates in the back classrooms. Childcare will be provided.



Dennis Cramer School of Prophecy Level 1 November 4-6

Make sure to register for this much needed class where you will learn to hear the voice of the Lord accurately and prophesy to others. You can visit our Facebook page for the registration link. Sign up today!



October 10 10:00 am Randy Kutz



October 17 10:00 am Steve Highlander



This annual event at the worship center follows our Sunday morning service. The church will provide the hotdogs, drinks, tableware, and inflatable bounce houses for the kids. If you did not get a chance to sign up, please bring some finger foods or desserts to share. Be sure to bring your lawn chairs as we don't have much seating out by the campfire. Reminder, this is a "dress down" Sunday.

MORE THAN A SHOEBOX OF TOYS

Ashley Driggs

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is a project of Samaritan's Purse. The mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. They ship these simple gifts outside the US to children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine, and disease; and to children living on Native American reservations in the U.S.

The program was started in the UK in 1990. Three years after this beginning, the shoebox gift project merged in a partnership with Samaritan's Purse, to be able to share 20 years of expertise in relief and aid work with the project, and expand the reach of the shoebox gifts to more than 28,000 children that year. Since 1993, OCC has delivered gift-filled shoeboxes to over 168 million children in more than 100 countries.

The local ministry partners distribute your shoeboxes to children in their communities. Their shoebox is the first gift many children have ever received! The treasures and personal letters inside communicate that someone cares for them and give them an opportunity to experience the love of God. After receiving shoebox gifts, many boys and girls are invited to enroll in "The Greatest Journey", a 12-lesson discipleship program. Through the program, the local ministry partners are able to establish long-term, caring relationships with children and families. Local churches use gift-filled shoeboxes as a tangible inroad for evangelism. These gifts allow them access to places they might never be welcomed otherwise. Even before The Greatest Journey course is over, students begin witnessing to others. Then at graduation, the Gospel is shared with their friends and family again. Through the efforts of local believers on the National Leadership Teams, entire communities are being evangelized as shoebox gifts are delivered. Some of these areas do not have any existing church.

Shoebox gifts are a way to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Help us by providing items to pack the shoeboxes or giving a monetary donation by Sunday, November 14th.

DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

Discipleship 1: October 17, 5 - 7 pm

Discipleship 3: October 10, 17, 8:00 - 9:15 am



NAKED AND OPENED

Pastor Justin

Hebrews 4:12 "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart. v. 13 Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in His sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him whom we have to do."

We are all familiar with verse 12, concerning the word of God. But verse 13 provides us with an interesting twist. The phrase "naked and opened" is a Hebraism. A phrase

common to those who speak Hebrew, but not to us. It would be like when we use phrases in the USA like, "that's a piece of cake" or "I plead the fifth". In other countries these phrases wouldn't mean anything to them. So what does "naked and opened" mean? In the Old Testament, the priests were commanded to sacrifice only animals that were without blemish. After the inspection was over, they would proceed to cut the animals throat and allow the blood to drain out. After this process was over, they would then cut back the hide of

the animal and inspect its inner organs. They had to ensure that the muscles had no bruises, the intestines had no abnormalities in them. In doing this, they ensured that the animal was indeed spotless and without blemish. The phrase naked and opened comes from the idea that as the priest pulled back the hide, he exposed and opened up the sacrifice to see if it was pure through and through.

How does this relate to us in the New Testament? Just as the priest would inspect the inner parts of the animal before its sacrifice, so Jesus will inspect us in the inward man. No, not cutting us

physically open, but looking into our hearts. Just as the animal on the outside could fool the priest, so we can try to fool God with our good outward behavior. You might be able to fool me or those around you, but there is a day coming when you will stand before God naked and opened. He will expose your inner man. Were you like a Pharisee, clean on the outside but filthy on the inside? Jesus desires inward beauty far more than He does outward beauty. Which one do you value more?

*The Lord looks
upon the
heart.*