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#### **BLESSING BOX**

High-need items: instant oatmeal, canned tuna or chicken, snack items, fruit cups, toothpaste, toothbrushes, period care items, cooking oil [small bottles], basic seasonings, and pet food. Contact Heather Connor for any questions or to volunteer to check our cooler on a Saturday. These kids are on a roll caring for our community and sharing the love and compassion of Jesus...won't you join them?

# A.L. GEORGE ANNUAL PECAN SALE

See the order forms around the church. Payment is due IN ADVANCE, at the time of the order. Make checks out to the A.L. George Circle. Pecan halves & pecan pieces are 16oz.; chocolate covered are 12oz.; all are \$11ea.

### TRUNK OR TREAT AND FREE YOUTH HOT DOG DINNER SUNDAY, OCT. 27 5:00-7:00PM

Sign up at the QR code below for our annual Trunk or Treat! WE NEED 10 MORE TRUNKS! PLEASE note: this year we have TWO types of trunks, which means two categories to win fan-favorite! Sign up to host a traditional trick-or-treat trunk OR sign up to host an interactive/game-style trunk. ALSO, candy and allergy-friendly, non-food small toys, pencils, etc. will begin being collected this week. Drop your donations in the bin on the main office hall or give monetary donations to off-set dinner costs.



### BUTTERBRAIDS & COOKIE DOUGH SALE

The LUMC Preschool will be having their annual Butterbraid & Cookie Dough Sale beginning Tuesday, Oct. 15 through Thursday, Nov. 7. Yes, they are doing both fundraisers at the same time! Money and order forms must be turned in by NOV. 7. Whether it's Thanksgiving, Christmas, or a birthday, everyone loves a treat! Butterbraids and cookies are the perfect choice for all those upcoming celebrations and holiday parties! Please see the order forms at the receptionist's desk or order online at the QR code below. When ordering online, if you don't have any preference as to which preschool student should take credit for your order, choose Sunshine T. Thank you for supporting the LUMC Preschool!!



### COFFEE TIME

Thank you to the True Believers and Disciples SS class for hosting the Coffee Time refreshments for the month of October. If your class or group would like to host a month, please contact Wendi Walsh-803-622-7053. We need volunteers!

### ANGEL TREE MINISTRY

It is time to create our team for the Angel Tree Ministry. This program supports children of incarcerated parents. At this time, we need team members that would be willing to call caregivers to ensure they are interested in our provided gifts for their children and that we have correct phone numbers and addresses. Our first meeting will be held Sunday afternoon, Oct. 27th at 2:00 PM in Asbury Hall. If you have questions, please call Mo Reese at 803-240-4593. Thank you.

# **ALPACA SHOEBOXES**

This churchwide project supports the Alpaca Shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child ministry.Wow! What a year it's been! Thanks to all who donated a huge number of items during the year. So far, we have packed 107 shoeboxes for boys & girls, ages 2-14. We have a few remaining items that could be used for a few more boxes. If anyone is interested in helping to complete more boxes, please contact Sandy Knight at sfknight58@hotmail.com. Some supplemental items will need to be purchased and packed with the items already on hand. A big thank you to our youth & children's groups for helping pack some boxes! Also, a big thanks to Wanda Pettus, Mo Reese, Pam Smith and Nan Cain for their assistance sorting and packing boxes. Many of you may have heard about Samaritan's Purse for the past weeks, in regard to Hurricane Helene's response. This organization is having a vital role in the recovery efforts. Some of the boxes we donate may be sent for hurricane relief.

# **COUNSELING OPPORTUNITY**

Ashley Tapp is currently a clinical mental health counseling intern with Bridge of Hope Counseling Center. She is currently in a masters program at Liberty University. As a means to gain extra internship hours and experience, she is graciously extending her counseling services to members of Lexington United Methodist Church **free of charge** for a period of time until she graduates this coming Spring semester. If you are interested in Ashley's 45-minute therapy sessions, please see the flyers around the church for more information on her areas of expertise or contact her at <u>Ashley@ashleytappcounseling.com</u>

# SUNDAY EVENING PROGRAMMING

This Sunday evening: NO Children's or youth programming this Sunday evening, Oct. 20th. Please pray for safe travels for our youth who are coming back from Fall Retreat this afternoon.

# **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT PRACTICE**

Christmas program practice has begun! But it's not too late to participate! Join us this Sunday in the sanctuary at 10 am as we learn this year's program. NOTE: The drop-off (10 am) and pickup location (10:45 am) is the sanctuary.

### WE NEED YOUR DRINK TABS!

Children's ministry is joining the Sheperd's Center to collect drink tabs for Ronald McDonald House. Children are invited to bring their tabs on Sunday evenings to programming. Congregation members are invited to join our efforts and are welcome to drop off drink tabs in the box outside of Heather's office.

# WE NEED YOU!





Sunday School