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Helping you to feel the Pulse of Servant's Heart

Merry Christmas! It seems that each Christmas my wife and I discuss how much emphasis we should put on giving and receiving gifts. We want our children and grandchildren to understand the true significance of God's gift of his Son; Jesus Christ. We do not want gifts to distract from the importance of Jesus Christ. In fact last year, in addition to some other gifts, we gave our children and grandchildren some money and a note. We instructed them to pray and seek a person that could use some encouragement. They could use the money to buy a special gift for that person. It was fun to see how the family members used the money. We do not celebrate all the holidays that the world supports, but Christmas is a great time to celebrate and give. I would encourage you to heartily celebrate Christ's birth this Christmas.

**Thanks be unto
God for his
unspeakable gift**



Joyful Heart Ladies' Day

When: March 23, 2019
Where: Faith Bible in Mt. Joy
Who: Debi Pryde (Speaker)
Lunch is included for first 200 ladies to register.



Teen Winter Retreats Changes



This year there are two significant changes to our teen winter retreats. The first change is the new location – Camp Susque.

This camp is conveniently located five minutes from route 15 just north of Williamsport. The second change is that we are offering a one-day retreat this year. Sometimes students find it difficult to take a day off of school on Friday, but they would really like to attend. This year we have the option for campers to register on Thursday evening or Friday evening. For more information, visit our website or contact us.

SOS

SUPPORTING OUR SHEPHERDS

Pastors are often very unappreciated and misunderstood. If a pastor has 100 members, he may hear 99 different ideas of how the church should be run. Recently, one pastor wrote that he wished more of his church members were like Martin Luther because Martin Luther only found 95 things wrong with his church. Hopefully that was a joke, but many pastors do need some encouragement. Considering the need for pastors to be encouraged and rejuvenated, Servant's Heart is introducing the SOS Initiative. SOS is an acronym for "Supporting Our

Shepherds," and this program is for any pastor and his wife from an Independent Bible teaching and preaching church. Why don't you encourage your pastor to take advantage of this program? Here are a few of the details about this FREE program. A pastor and his wife may come and use one of our cabins for three days and two nights. The cabin includes a queen bed, two recliner chairs, microwave, and a refrigerator stocked with goodies. Outside the cabin, a golf cart would be available for cruising around the property or even taking a few of the trails. The game tent, canoes, kayaks, horseshoes, and bikes for the rails to trails would be available for their use. Although the couple would need to cook their own food (in our kitchen trailer), the Frys would plan to take them out to eat one evening for a time of fellowship and "iron sharpening iron." If the couple would come during staff training, all the meals would be included but we would not go out to a restaurant. Contact us for some open dates. We are looking forward to being an encouragement to pastors!



Staff Scholarship

In our last Heartbeat newsletter, we introduced our new scholarship program for summer staff. It is a way to reward hard-working college students for their work at camp during the summer. We have made a change to that program and rather than sending the money directly to the college, you can send the money (in any amount) to us and designate the money as "staff scholarship." We will send the money for their college bill after they have served this coming summer. We have already approved some scholarship money for next summer, and it is a tremendous blessing for these dedicated young people that would like to serve at Servant's Heart.

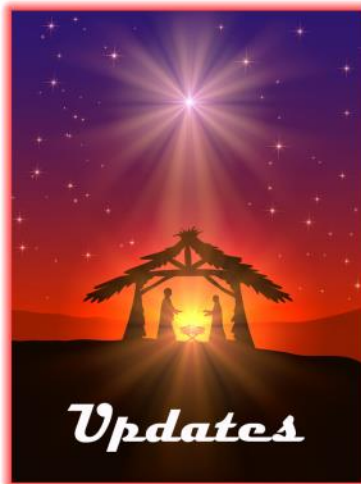
Bible Quizzing and Youth rally

One of the ministries of Servant's Heart camp is the orchestration of the Bible quizzing and youth rally. This year, two new churches are planning to become involved. It is thrilling to see young people studying and memorizing God's Word and coming together for exciting times of competition. We have Sunday afternoons of quizzing in January, February, and March. The competition culminates with a day of quizzing on April 27 which includes quizzing, games, food, and the preaching of God's Word. Dr. Alton Beal is our special speaker for that day. Your church does not need to be involved with the quizzing to come to the youth rally.

If your church would like to participate in this quizzing, but you are too far from the hosting churches, please contact us for some other possible options that could include your church's teens in this profitable activity.



January 20	Bible Quizzing	July 1 - 3	Family Camp I
January 24 - 26	Winter Retreat I	July 4 - 6	Family Camp II
Jan. 31 - Feb. 2	Winter Retreat II	July 8- 13	Teen Camp II
February 24	Bible Quizzing	July 15 - 20	Teen Camp III
March 23	Joyful Heart	July 22 - 26	Junior Camp II
March 24	Bible Quizzing	July 29 - Aug. 3	Teen Camp IV
April 27	Youth Rally	August 5	Young at Heart II
May 2 - 4	Spring Work Days	August 15 - 17	Father/Son Retreat
June 3 - 14	Staff Training	August 22 - 24	Kick Back & Relax
June 15	Young at Heart I	Sept. 6 - 7	Men's Retreat
June 17 - 22	Teen Camp I	Sept. 12 - 14	Fall Work Days
June 24 - 28	Junior Camp I	October 24 - 26	Ladies Retreat



Would you consider adding Servant's Heart Camp to your prayer list?

Summer Camps

Teen Camps

As you may notice, we have added an additional week of teen camp so that we now have four teen weeks. Last year, our teen weeks were filled beyond capacity and this extra week will give us opportunity to accommodate more teen campers.

Junior Camps

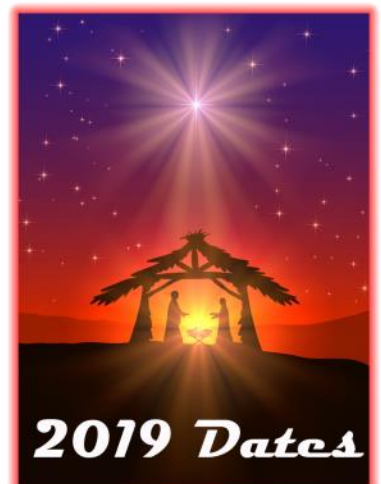
We have reduced the number of junior weeks from three weeks to two weeks. We plan to open additional cabins for juniors this year, so we will still be able to accommodate the same number of Junior campers as the past.

Family Camps

Almost every year our family camps are filled to capacity. In fact all the cabins are already filled for the second family camp of 2019 (July 4 - 6). We still have camping spots available for that week and we also have cabins and camping spots available for the first family camp (July 1 - 3).

Young at Heart Days

The two Young at Heart days (June 15 & August 5) are for our friends that are 55 and older. For the first time this year, we have scheduled the first Young at Heart day (June 15) on a Saturday so that those that work regular jobs are still able to attend this special day with other Young at Heart friends.



Mark these dates on your personal and church calendars.