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Helping you to feel the Pulse of Servant's Heart



A number of years ago, our family was out of town on Christmas day. We looked for a strong church to attend on Christmas morning. When we arrived at the church, things were very different. There were no Christmas decorations, we did not sing any Christmas carols, and the message did not even mention Christmas. In fact, I don't think I heard "Christmas" one time that morning. While I respect the church for not wanting to go along with the tide of commercialism, I believe they are missing the JOY of Christmas. Consider with me some of the "joys" of Christmas. In Luke 1:14 the angel said to Zacharias, "And thou shalt have **joy** and **gladness**; and many shall **rejoice** at his birth." Consider the words of Elizabeth to Mary in Luke 1:44 – "For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for **joy**." The theme of joy continues in Luke 2:10 when the angels make the proclamation to the shepherds – "And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great **joy**, which shall be to all people." Don't allow the world to steal your joy. Christmas should be a time of true joy, and gladness and rejoicing. Actually, not only should Christmas be a time of joy, but our entire life should be characterized by joy. I just did a quick search, and joy, rejoice, and glad are used in our Bible almost 500 times. If you are not feeling joy, this Christmas season, immerse yourself in the God of JOY, in the Bible of JOY, and with Christians of JOY.



In May of 2016, the Brubakers moved with their fifth-wheel trailer to Servant's Heart Camp. In addition to faithfully serving at camp, during the off-camp season they continued their ministry in evangelism. While they traveled, it was not uncommon for churches to ask them if they would consider serving as the pastor of their church. Each time they were thankful for the invitation but were very content serving at camp. When Dan's home church (Faith Bible



Church in Mount Joy) approached them about coming as the Pastor of Evangelism, it was a difficult decision. After Faith had a strong vote to call the Brubakers, they made the move back to that area. Pray for the Brubakers as they launch into this new ministry and for Servant's Heart Camp as we look to fill the huge void. We are confident in God's perfect plan and we are excited to see how He leads both for the Brubakers and for SHC.



It was a very sad day when we cancelled the Joyful Heart Conference earlier this year. We are cautiously optimistic that we will be able to have the conference on March 21, 2021. Visit to website and register. We plan to send reminders early in February to those of you that transferred your registration from the 2020 to the 2021 conference.



In April of this year we were planning to have two banquets and reveal the plans for the new lodge. After COVID hit we were forced to cancel the banquets. We are rescheduling those banquets for April, 2021. Mark the dates and go to our website and register today.

April 16, 2021 - Shady Maple April 24, 2021 - Prime Sirloin



Near the end of 2019, we shared a good number of projects that we wanted to accomplish before the 2020 summer camp season. We were abundantly thrilled with the finances that came in, and we were able to fund several projects before the start of camp this past summer. The pictures above show the welcome wall, the John Deere tractor, and the benches on each cabin porch. We would like to share some additional projects for this coming year. For more information and the status on these and other projects, go to www.shcm.org/projects.



We mentioned the playing field project last year, but the wooded field was not ready for us to move forward. The excavator split this project into two portions. The first step is to remove all the stumps and level the field. The cost for that next step is approximately **\$8,500**. The second step is to truck topsoil, prepare, and plant grass seed on the field. The estimate for this portion is approximately **\$4,500**.



Currently only six of the ten cabins have bunk beds, but we desperately need beds in at least two more cabins. These bunk beds are beautiful, strong, and durable, but they are time consuming to make. Matt is willing to donate 60 hours (30 hours each cabin) of his labor toward making these bunk beds. **\$4,750** for the one cabin and **\$3,550** for other cabin (\$1,200 already provided).



20 Volt DeWalt Tool Kit - **\$600**.

It is not uncommon to find trash scattered around the property after any given camp. A large portion of the problem is that there are not many receptacles around the camp. We would like to add trash receptacles around the property. Although we looked at some very attractive park-style receptacles, we opted for epoxy coated steel drums with plastic lids. **\$1,025**.



Ever since the cabins were little boxes on the blueprint of the Master Plan, we have called them by number. We would now like to give each cabin a name and sign. Total signs - **\$450.00**

For more information on these projects or to see a project that was funded before this was printed, go to www.shcm.org/projects.