



Greater Things Are Yet To Be Done

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SPLASH *In The* **PARK!**

Sunday, June 26th

9AM Breakfast with the Homeless

10AM Worship and A Message

11:30AM Lunch with the Homeless

Where will YOU be?

In an air conditioned room? Being “fed” the Word by a teacher or a pastor? Listening to music that YOU like?

OR

Outside...Showing People Love And Sharing HIM!

Will you join us as we (300 plus) youth and workers

Show the People of Macon Christ’s Love?

Where would Christ want you to be?

CENTRAL CITY PARK

A Few Major Upcoming Calendar notes...

Wk June 10 Builders for Christ Mission Trip

Wk June 27 **SPLASH Youth working with Rebuilding Macon to rehab homes in distressed neighborhoods... Please pray for them everyday!**

...In this City

You see the stories on the news and read about them in the paper... Young people involved with drugs and alcohol. Youth involved in violence. Teenage pregnancy. It looks like the situation is hopeless...*until you...*

Imagine teams of youth working in distressed areas of Macon to paint, re-roof and repair homes of needy people for an entire week. Sharing the gospel and building relationships throughout the neighborhood.

Imagine 300 or more youth and their adult workers “skipping” church on Sunday morning. Going out in the summer heat in Macon, Georgia... no air conditioning, no comfy pews, no “Sunday best” clothes.

Imagine them eating breakfast with the homeless in Central City Park. Imagine them inviting the homeless that they have just eaten with to join them for a time of worship and a special message in front of the gazebo.

Imagine these same youth inviting these same homeless people to join them for “Sunday Dinner” in the park.

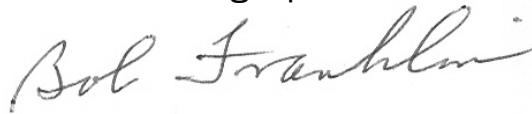
Imagine... Well you don't have to imagine any of that... that is what the youth involved in SPLASH this year are going to do on Sunday, June 26th at 9am in Central City Park!

The question is then... Where will you be? Will you be in the air conditioning, in a comfy pew, being “fed” or will you be in Central City Park... Showing People Love And Sharing Him?

I want to personally invite ALL of our churches and their entire congregations to join these youth as they witness in our own community.

Imagine what it could do in our city if all 23,000 of our church members were at the park on the 26th.... Bring a lawn chair or a blanket... bring a picnic lunch...

I'll save a place for you!



Church Staff Openings and Church Needs

The MBA needs Bibles to give out to people at the Storehouse Ministry!

Countryside Baptist Church has need of a church bus and a freezer. You may call Linda Ussery at 478-956-1887.

Portable Baptistery -Lakeview Baptist Church has donated to the MBA a portable baptistry. The baptistry is available for use. Please call the MBA office-750.9114.

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Storehouse Ministry Schedule for June 2011

Please call Glenda Grant if you have any questions 750-9114 or email glenda.grant@mid-statebaptist.org	1st Tuesday June 7	Northway
	2nd Tuesday June 14	The Link
	3rd Tuesday June 21	Ingleside & MW Youth
	4th Tuesday June 28	Pine Forest



Storehouse Ministry Schedule for July 2011



1st Tuesday July 5	Northway
2nd Tuesday July 12	The Link
3rd Tuesday July 19	Ingleside BC
4th Tuesday July 26	Pine Forest



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Items we are always in need of:

15 oz. Canned Meat

Cereal, Pop-Tarts, or Oatmeal
2, 4, 5 lb Sugar

Dried Beans

toilet Paper
New Testament or Bible

Small Box Macaroni & Cheese
Canned Spaghetti, Lasagna
Peanut Butter
Small Pkg Powdered Milk

2, 4, 5 lb Cornmeal
6 oz. Canned Tuna
2, 4, 5 lb Flour
Small Boxed Juices-

Each box that we give out has a cost to the Ministry Center of \$8.00.

Please consider "sponsoring" a few boxes a month. If you are looking for a short term project, this would be a great idea for a Sunday School class, a youth group, a VBS missions project.

A BIG thanks to the following churches for packing boxes and volunteering at the Storehouse Ministry. You are truly being Jesus' hands and feet!

Countryside	Ingleside	The Link	Macedonia	New Life
Northridge	Northway	Pine Forest	Unity	Vineville

Storehouse Ministry & Life Training Center

Throughout the Bible, God has fed the hungry. Jesus fed crowds of thousands on two occasions and even directed unsuccessful fishermen how to locate stupendous catches of fish. When Mary learned she was pregnant with Jesus, she exalted the Lord in Luke 1:53 by saying, "He has filled the hungry with good things." Through the Storehouse Ministry, we strive to meet the spiritually hungry by providing for their physical needs.

Already this year, we have surpassed last year's records by serving 403 families and 1,095 individuals from January through April. We are on target to feed more people this year than ever before. This is exciting to us because it also means that the Gospel of Jesus Christ will be shared with more people than ever before. Every family who receives food from the Ministry also receives counseling and prayer. This is done by a dedicated group of volunteers every week. Because of the increase in guests needing help, we also need more volunteers to work. **If God has burdened your heart regarding the hungry in our community, we need you! Would you be willing to give 3 hours once-a-week every 6-8 weeks to further the Kingdom of God?**

If you cannot come and work at the Storehouse Ministry – there are still ways to be involved. As we face the end of the school year when children will no longer be receiving free and reduced cost lunches, there will be even more need for food in our community. The majority of the food that is distributed is purchased from the Middle Georgia Food Bank. When food for our boxes is purchased there, the cost of the box contents is roughly \$8.00. If someone purchased all of the food in one of our boxes from the local grocery store, the cost of one box is roughly \$35.00. One box of our food will feed a family of three for approximately seven days. **Would you consider adopting a certain number of families? A Sunday School class, WMU group or family could adopt a certain number of families and contribute monthly to feed the hungry right here in Macon.**

Most of all, we need your prayers. As we strive to meet the physical needs of those in our association, we also want to help them make a better future for themselves and their families. We are prayerfully looking for community partners to begin Life Skill Classes, GED classes, Sewing classes and establishing programs to bring the Arts to children in the area. **If you have a gift, skill or passion to minister to others in a practical way, please prayerfully consider how you can use it to reach those in need.**

Everyday, we are grateful for the churches in our association and the work they do to support the Ministry. I am grateful for the Student Ministries who come and pack boxes and pray over them for the families that will receive them. I am grateful for the volunteers who come with a smile on their faces and the love of Christ in their hearts. We are grateful for all of this, but, we need more. **If God has laid missions and ministry on your heart, but you don't know how to get involved, please call Glenda at the Association. We will find a place for you to minister.**

If you won't be Jesus' hands and feet. . .who will?

From the Desk of Dr. Otis Andrews... *It's Complicated*

Our almost three year old grandson, Beckett, is getting ready for the arrival of his new baby brother. The arrival date is July 7 , 2011. Beckett has been adjusting to the changes with unusual acceptance. He likes his new room with the big boy bed and big boy furniture. His new little brother will be occupying his old room with the baby bed and little baby stuff. As a grandfather and a marriage and family therapist, I am very impressed with the way Beckett's mother and father are preparing him for the new arrival and with the way he is adjusting – so far.

For reasons I do not understand, he was recently asked by someone how the new baby got in his mommy's tummy. To my surprise and delight he replied, "God put him there." What a great answer I said to myself. He is my grandson. Then that same someone asked him, "How did God do that?" For a moment I was nervous and amazed. Why would anyone ask a three year-old such a question?

Beckett looked up, hesitated a second, and then said, "It's Complicated."

Way to go grandson! You got that right. You are a chip off the old block and wise beyond your years. It is complicated! It is amazing. It is wonderful. It is miraculous. And it is complicated.

From the Desk of Dr. Otis Andrews... *The Day of Grace*

One of the enduring memories of my childhood is the specialness of Sundays. Sundays were very different days from the other six days of the week. My mother saw to that.

One very special thing about Sundays was we always went to church. We were there for Sunday School and morning worship and Training Union and the evening service. Sunday dinners were always very special. Sometimes we had fried chicken and all the fixings. After dinner, mother would cover up all the food on the table and after an afternoon of playing we would get to eat it all again. Sunday playing was different than weekday playing. During the week, we had to do our work around the house before we could play. On Sundays, we did not have to work. All we had to do was play. Mama was very strict about not working on Sunday unless there was an emergency like the pigs or the cow getting out of the pasture. Sunday was a day of rest for everybody.

When I grew up and Deigie and I started our own family, I tried to make Sunday a special day, too. Although I had to work as a chaplain on Sundays when our children were smaller, we did not do any work around the house. There was no cutting of the grass or fixing things that needed fixing. Such things could be done on one of the other days of the week. Sunday was for church and resting and/or playing. I tried to pass my "Sunday values" on to our children with the hope they would make them their own and pass them on to their children.

On a recent Sunday afternoon I called our son Kit's home. When my grandson Christopher answered the telephone, I asked him how he was doing. Then I asked him if his daddy was in the house or outside working on their new deck. Christopher replied, "Daddy is sitting right here, Papa. We don't work on the deck on Sunday. Sunday is a day of grace."

I smiled and my spirit rejoiced. My Sunday values were being passed down to the next generation. Sunday is a day of grace indeed!

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“How are we supporting our Association...” Year to Date 2011

Alethia	0.00
Avondale	1,530.00
Bellevue	1,822.87
Bethel	2,312.14
Calvary	200.00
Church of the Harvest	150.00
Cornerstone	0.00
Countryside	250.00
East Boulevard	170.62
Faith	439.61
Filipino-America Chritian	2,300.00
First	802.65
Glenwood Hills	1,225.00
Greenwood	70.00
High Point	107.93
Highland Hills	2,330.19
Hilltop	676.00
Houston Heights	1,113.64
Immanuel	1,190.00
Ingleside	14,031.46
Lakeview	1,477.21
Lawrence Drive	7,747.74
Mabel White	5000.00
Macedonia	875.00

Macon Korean	2,345.87
Morningside	1,062.99
Mount Pleasant	0.00
Mt. Zion	4,211.00
New City	0.00
New Elim	0.00
New Heights	150.00
New Hope Baptist	\$0.00
New Hope Christian Fellowship	450.00
New Life Bible Fellowship	65.16
The New Piney Grove	100.00
New Providence	1,608.32
Northridge	3,392.50
Northway Church	4000.00
Parkway	225.00
Pine Forest	3,117.00
Plentitude	3,905.00
Porterfield	1,232.55
Prophet, Priest & King	257.08
Tabernacle	1,400.02
Tattnall Square	638.16
The Link	300.00
Unity Baptist Church	1,298.05
Vineville	14,085.61
Wesleyan Drive	4,541.00

West Highland	0.00
Wheeler Heights	1,209.00
Individuals	4,312.00
Executive Comm-GBC	440.01
Cross Keys Legacy Fund	0.00
Total	100,170.09
As of 6/2/2011	
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