

The Shoreline

A Monthly Newsletter of

LifeWater
community church



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(his day off)

*(*If no one is in the office during office hours, Pastor
Doug is at an appointment with someone off-site.)*

Sunday Service:
Worship Service: 10 a.m.—Sanctuary

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:
*Helping each 'family' find and
fully follow Christ*

**Newsletter and bulletin submissions;
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Pastor's Point:

September 2016

“Here Comes Another Year!”

As I sit here at my desk, I can hear the children moving around, laughter, and excitement as another school year has begun in our local schools and at Kids Crossing drop-in center. With the beginning of a new school year begins a new season of sermon series and Life Group discussions. I thought it might be good to let you know where we are going for the next nine months.

If you remember our last series in the spring, we learned about the different stages of spiritual growth. We learned about the “Dead in Christ,” the “Baby Embryo in Christ,” the “Child in Christ,” the “Young Adult in Christ,” and the “Parent in Christ.” This year we are going to use those stages of spiritual growth as a focus point for each series. Our Sunday morning services will target one of those stages of spiritual growth and motivate people to take that next step. That is not to say at all that other stages of spiritual growth will not get something out of the sermons if they are not at that particular stage. It is more to help you know how to use the Sunday morning service as an effective tool to reach out and to reach up.

We will begin in September with our series, “3:16,” as we look at the simple message of the most popular Bible verse in the world, John 3:16, and how it impacts us. This series will be focused on the Baby Embryo in Christ stage of spiritual growth. This will be a great series to bring “seekers” to who are asking questions about God and how He relates to life. In October, we will move to our series, “It’s a Wonderful Life,” as we look at the Beatitudes from an infant in Christ’s perspective. In January, we move to our series, “Living on a Prayer,” as we look at prayer from a Child in Christ’s perspective. In March, we continue with the series, “The War Within Me,” as we look at how to live above the temptations that try to drag us down from a Young Adult in Christ’s perspective. Finally, we conclude these five series with “30 for 30” as we look at an incident that happened in the Bible and how six different groups of people responded. This series will be taught from a Parent in Christ’s perspective.

This should be an exciting year of growth for LifeWater both in depth of our relationship with Christ and in new relationships with new people coming to LifeWater. I am looking forward to seeing where we will be in May of 2017, to see what God has done as we bring glory to Him in our steps of obedience, and how we will impact our world around us.

Looking forward to 2016-2017 together,
Pastor Doug

OUR ANNUAL CHURCH TOWN HALL MEETING will be **October 23rd** right after the morning worship service. This will be a short meeting and there will be no meal. Make sure to mark your calendar for our ANNUAL CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING which will be held on **November 6th** following the service. A meal will be provided before the meeting. Look for more details in the October newsletter

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- Church fellowship
- Meal ministry
- Women's and Men's fellowships

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- Nursery
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- Adult Education
- Life Groups

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Deaconess of The Edge Ministries for Outreach:
position currently vacant

- Community Outreach: fall festival / outdoor concerts
- Local and Overseas Missions

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- Joining the Team
- Connecting

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Director of Children's Ministry and Kids Crossing:
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The Wave Kids Club (ages nursery through 5th grade):
Dick Moore: 615-3847
Rich Quintano: (404) 444-1655
(The Wave will be resuming on Sept. 14th.)

Light House Youth Ministry (middle school and high school students):

Nick Knoblauch: 402-7273
Jenna Knoblauch: 440-6260

For the Record: JULY 

| | <u>2016</u> | <u>2015</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total giving: | \$ 13,312 | \$8,742 |
| Weekly average: | \$ 2,663 | \$2,186 |
| Weekly budget: | \$ 2,742 | |
| Year-to-date giving: | \$ 82,977 | \$74,038 |
| Year-to-date budget: | \$ 84,997 | |
| Average attendance per service: | 92 | 72 |

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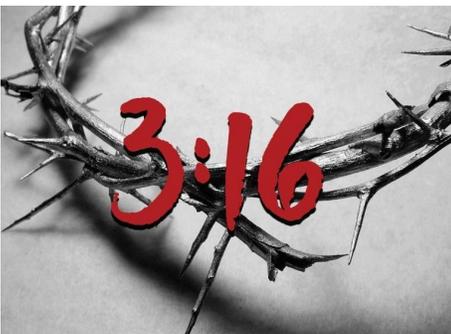
SUMMER VIDEO SERIES:

"H₂O": Don't miss as we conclude watching and discussing this exciting new video series by Kyle Idleman. Again, as in the video series last summer, he helps us connect to lost people in a hostile world, answer some of their questions, understand what the gospel really is, and how to use this tool effectively to impact our world.



September 4th: "H₂O — Drink: The New Beginning"

LIFE GROUP SERMON SERIES:

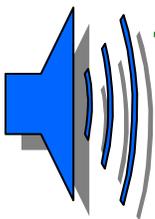


"3:16": Join us as we begin a new series based upon John 3:16. God came to this earth motivated by love. He experienced everything that you and I have experienced while managing not to sin. He died for us before we loved Him. So why would a God ever do that for us? What kind of God would be willing to sacrifice so much? What must we mean to Him for God to pay such a high price? Come to this series and find out!

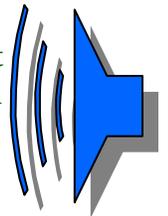
September 11th: "3:16 — For God"

September 18th: "3:16 — So Loved"

September 25th: "3:16 — The World"



To listen to the current *and* previous sermon series, go to the LifeWater website at www.lifewatercc.org and click on the *Services* link. Then click on the date of the sermon you wish to hear.



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

Info for the October issue is due by **September 20th**. Please send submissions to Judi Lehman at jlehman@lifewatercc.org or place in the marked tray in the church office.

Bridge Ministries
Sharon Mackey, Deaconess



- ◆ LWCC is looking for a volunteer interested in using their coordinating and computer skills to help Carol Nealley and Judi Lehman with the Sign Up Genius distributions. Contact Sharon Mackey if you are interested in this position.
- ◆ We are also looking for teacher assistants for the Sunday morning Service. Please see or contact Sharyn Mackey (312-8236) or Tracey Brown (417-0985) if you are interested in helping out in this way.
- ◆ Anyone interested in learning more about the Shepherd's Storehouse/Closet is welcome to come visit any Tuesday or Thursday evening between 6:00-8:00 p.m. Shepherd's Closet is our ministry to reach out to the less fortunate by helping them with paper products, household products, and personal hygiene items.



Joining the Team — If you have been coming to the church for a little while and you are wondering what your next step is, then you want to come to *Joining the Team*. *Joining the Team's* purpose is to introduce you to the church, what we believe and value, how to get involved, discovery of where you fit into the ministry, and how to impact your friends and family for Christ. We have broken it down into four interactive sessions that last two hours each on a Saturday afternoon. **Our next *Joining the Team* sessions will be Saturday, October 8th from 1:00-3:00 p.m.** We will be offering *Joining the Team 101*, which is the introduction to the church and what we value; we will also be offering *Joining the Team 201* which breaks down what we believe and how we are organized; and finally, we will be offering *Joining the Team 301* that takes you through a process of discovering your personality profile, spiritual gifts, past experiences, identifying what you are passionate about, and then helping you see where you specifically can fit into the ministry at LifeWater. Don't miss out on this exciting process of *Joining the Team* at LifeWater Community Church.

If you are interested in taking *Joining the Team 101, 201 or 301*, please talk to Pastor Doug by October 1 so that we may adequately plan for materials.



Remember in Prayer:

Health Issues:

- ◆ **Rosie Mann:** Pray for her as she is battling with her cancer again. Pray also for Gerry as he supports her in this journey.
- ◆ **Rich Quintano's mother, Helen:** in rehab facility recovering from illness.
- ◆ **Father of Chasity Marks:** on dialysis and awaiting a kidney transplant.
- ◆ **Michelle, Ally, and Alex Voorhees:** Lyme Disease. They are praising God for healing they are experiencing in their battle with this disease. Pray for their continued visits to Hansa as they go through with their treatments.
- ◆ **Tim White:** Medical challenges.

Other:

- ◆ For our annual **Fall Festival**, which will be held on September 10th this year. Pray for all of our volunteers and those who come to the Festival.
- ◆ Pray for **John and Anthony Gumina** as they settle into Buffalo, New York as John recently began a new job. We will miss them!
- ◆ **Our missionaries: Dr. Katherine Welch** who is serving in Thailand. Please also remember retired minister **Reynold Jean Baptiste** still serving in Hatti. Also, please pray for **Josh and Kelli Jones** who are in the beginning stages of planting a church in Hartford City, Indiana.
- ◆ **Nick and Jenna Knoblauch** as they lead **The Light House Youth Ministry** (middle school and high school youth). The youth group is now meeting on Sunday evenings at the church.
- ◆ **Pray that God would be honored in our relationships -- with God, family, LWCC family and others.**
- ◆ **Kids Crossing Daycare and Preschool** is looking for a part-time child care provider. Pray that God will provide just the right person!
- ◆ **Life Groups** will be starting up again the week of September 11th. Pray for the coaches who will be leading the groups and for all of the participants.
- ◆ **The Wave Kids Club** (children nursery through 5th grade) will resume on September 14th. Pray for the adult volunteers that will assist with this program and the children who attend.



The elders pray for the Sunday service **every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m.** in Pastor Doug's office. Anyone is welcome to join this special prayer time.

On the first Tuesday of every month we have a prayer meeting in the Café from 7:00–8:00 p.m. to pray for special needs of the church. September's prayer meeting will be held on **September 6th**. The October meeting will be on **October 4th**.

Charis Corner: Stories of Grace in a Broken World*by Kari Mahara***SPECIAL GUEST WRITER: ROSIE MANN**

Dear Friends,

I want to thank you all for your prayers throughout this journey my husband, Gerry, and I have been on dealing with cancer. Even before Gerry and I were born, God had already made His plans for us — a journey sometimes we don't like.

Over a year ago, April 18, 2015, I found out I had ovarian cancer. The mass on my right ovary was the size of a grapefruit. I had to have surgery right away. The doctors found more cancer, and I had to have part of my colon removed. During my fifteen-day hospital stay, I don't remember much but others told me, "We didn't think you would make it." The prayers that went out for me were a miracle. Even the doctor said if I had not come in when I did, I would have been with my Savior in two weeks. The Lord had another plan for me.

I struggled so during the recovery process, but many of you gave me encouragement through prayers, text messages, and most of all, cards. I was overwhelmed with the number of cards I received. There were days I was depressed or was having a pity party, and then a card would come in the mail. The words would boost me up, and my attitude would change.

All of you who are fellowshipping with other women, sending out cards and giving encouragement to others, I want to "PRAISE YOU FOR THAT!" Your love is being poured out.

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." (Isaiah 41:10).

"I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:38-39).

On January 30, 2016, I found out that I was in remisison and getting better each passing day, but on July 5, I found out that my cancer had returned. Yes, I was angry, disappointed, and sad. I went back to my Savior, questioning and knowing I can rest in His love and have to trust Him once more.

I don't know God's plan in the next days, months, or years, but I am going to put my trust and hope in Him. I have a peace now and am believing another miracle will come. I am grateful for each breath, and I want to follow Him even though I cannot see where I am going.

Proverbs 15:8b says, "But the prayer of the upright is His delight." Please continue to pray for me, as I will for each of you. Love you!

Smiles and Hugs,

Rosie

Deep End Ministries
Becky Lane, Deaconess



"Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching (Hebrews 10:23-25)."

Life Groups are our small groups through which we seek to help each other fully follow Jesus as our Savior and Lord. Our new year of Life Groups will be starting up again the week of September 11th. On that day after the service, we will have opportunity to sign up for one of the groups. This will take place in the basement, and pizza and pop will be provided. Please plan on joining us!

| Day and time | Coach(es) | Location |
|----------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Sunday, 9:00 a.m. | Deb Price and Carole Brace | Church café |
| Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. | Doug and Kim Beutler | 9816 Tiffany Drive (Frantz' home) |
| Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. | Jared and Beth Gerber | 15702 Zubrick Road, Roanoke (Gerber's home) |
| Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. | Rudy and Kari Mahara | 3217 Twisted Branch Place (Mahara's home) |
| Thursday, 7:00 p.m. | Stephen and Becky Lane | 5320 Wapiti Drive (Lane's home) |
| Thursday, 7:00 p.m. | Sharyn Mackey | Shepherd's Closet at LWCC |

There will be a Life Group Coaches' meeting on September 18th in the Café following the morning service.



The Light House Youth Ministries is moving to Sunday nights at 7 p.m. at the church beginning August 28th! Any youth 6th grade through 12th grade is invited. Don't miss the new series that we will begin in September.

September 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th: Video series on "temptation"

Please see Nick or Jenna Knoblauch for more details.

Children's Ministry Update

Tracey Brown, Director of Children's Ministries



Kids Crossing Preschool is Growing! This year, we are going to have two preschool classes: one for 2-3 year olds and one for 4-5 year olds. Because of this growth, we are looking for a part-time person to work at the daycare (approximately 30 hours a week). This person will be paid well in laughter and fun! You must be 18 years or older, willing to work flexible hours, and have previous experience working with children. This position is for the early morning hours and to assist with drop-in kids during preschool. If you, or someone you know, might be interested in this position, please talk to Tracey Brown as soon as possible.

We are in need of teacher assistants for the Splash Children's Ministry. If you are interested, please see Tracey Brown for more details.



24/7 Life Ministries
Carol Nealley, Deaconess



Change of Address:

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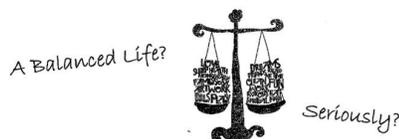
- Sept. 4 Ryan Voorhees
- Sept. 5 Madison Straw
- Sept. 6 Jeremy Gordley
- Sept. 7 Kari Mahara
- Sept. 8 Sharyn Mackey
- Sept. 9 Michelle Voorhees
- Sept. 10 Kyle White
- Sept. 13 Jetta Pugh
- Sept. 15 Doug Bowman
- Sept. 19 Craig Gill
- Sept. 23 Natalie Gill
- Sept. 27 Crystal Storm



Volunteers Needed to help with the Sunday morning cookie/coffee table: We are in great need of volunteers to help with the Sunday morning preparation and clean up of refreshments for the cookie/coffee table during Sunday mornings. Please contact Michelle Moore at 615-2210 if you are willing to assist with this ministry.



24/7 Life Ministries Carol Nealley, Deaconess



Women's Retreat, October 14th-15th at The Summit

Ladies, we are joining the women from First Missionary Church this year for their Fall Retreat, October 14th-15th. The retreat will be held at the Ramseyer Retreat Center at The Summit, 1025 W. Rudisill Boulevard. You can come any time after 4 p.m. on October 14th. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. The retreat will end around 3:00 p.m. on October 15th. The cost for the entire retreat is \$50, which includes an overnight stay plus three meals. Or, if you cannot stay the night, you can just pay \$10 per meal. The theme of their retreat is "A Balanced Life? Seriously?"

Balance = balance baləns

noun

1.

an even distribution of weight enabling someone or something to remain upright and steady.

synonyms: stability, equilibrium, steadiness, footing

Keeping our balance spiritually is the key to keeping our balance in life. What does that look like? How often do we experience such balance? What does "imbalance" look like in your life? What kinds of things have you tried to restore "balance" spiritually and practically -- how has that worked for you?

Join your sisters in Christ for a fun look at life as it REALLY is and begin to let God speak to your challenges and experience of balance this side of heaven.

SPOILER ALERT: This retreat will not provide pie-in-the-sky sentiments on keeping our spiritual balance. We WILL gain insight from the Word and each other into ways God helps us evenly distribute the "weight" of life so that we are more upright before Him and experience a steadfast faith.

This will be a great opportunity to fellowship with women from LifeWater as well as from our sister congregation. Registration forms are available at the information table. Your registration form with full payment (checks payable to First Missionary Church) must be submitted to Judi Lehman by **Sunday morning, September 25th.** If you would like to "room" with a specific woman in a two-person suite, you can indicate that on your registration form. There are limited four-person and six-person suites which will be available on a first-come, first served basis, so register early if you want to have more than one roommate! If you plan to share a room with a specific roommate(s), all names must be listed on your registration form. Once you are registered, you will receive a follow-up letter with details of the event. To turn in your registration form with payment, please see Judi or contact her at 580-4406.

24/7 Life Ministries (continued)

Carol Nealley, Deaconess



Men ... Come Out for Our Golf Scramble on September 3rd at the Magic Hills Golf Course!

- Where:** Magic Hills Golf Course (note different location than previously advertised) 5 miles west of Columbia City on US 9.
- Date:** September 3rd (this is the last outing for 2016).
- Time:** Golf begins at 2:00 p.m. Come early for time in the Word!
- Cost:** If you plan to participate, the cost is only \$13 for nine holes.
- Questions?:** Contact Jeremy Gordley at 435-9227 if you have questions.
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Congratulations to our men's church softball team who made it to the tournament! Although they did not win, we are very proud of the team! Below is a photo of our Men's LifeWater Softball Team and the men's team from Broadway, who both played together as a team this year. Love the LifeWater shirts!! (Our LWCC men are: (Back row): Travis Dry, Richie Quintano, Rich Quintano, Doug Beutler, Jeremy Gordley, James Taylor; (Front row): Justin Randolph, Rudy Mahara and Erik LaRoe. (Not pictured: Corey Borel).





Missions and Outreach



2016

Our annual Fall Festival on September 10th from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. is just around the corner! This is a great event to invite families to as you reach out to your "person of interest." Our own Well's Edge worship band will be playing, and Harold's famous grilled barbecue chicken will be served again this year! We will enjoy a variety of other foods, and we'll have games and rides for the whole family. A Sign Up Genius email was distributed in August asking for volunteers to help with setting up and tearing down, food prep and serving, face painting, kids' festival

rides, etc. If you did not get the Sign Up Genius email, please contact Judi Lehman at jlehman@lifewatercc.org and your name will be added to the distribution list!

Please join us for a fun way to reach out to those living around our church neighborhood, and pray for families to invite to our fall festival this year.

Let's Get Spruced Up! We need volunteers to weed, trim and do whatever is needed to beautify the church lawn and gardens before the Fall Festival. We are planning on meeting at 9 a.m. on Saturday September 3rd. Make sure to bring your lawn and garden tools! — Karen Smith

Shepherd's Closet: *Susan Welch*

Thank you to all who have donated to the Shepherd's Closet. Your continued faithfulness to the poor is a gift of Christ's love to the often unloved in our community. Shepherd's Closet currently has an urgent need for **diapers (size 5 and 6) and Kleenex**. Please check the bulletin board near the Café each week for a current list of items urgently needed. We ask that you bring your items to the Café and put them in the tote labeled 'Shepherd's Closet.' We greatly appreciate all of your contributions to help the less fortunate in our community. Thank you very much!

Josh and Kelli Jones



Hey everyone! Kelli and I are realizing that life is only getting busier and busier, and we have less time than ever.

Thank you for your prayers for workers in the harvest. On Sunday, August 21, we were given the privilege to preach at Jeff Horsman’s church, The Rock. We spoke on the harvest being plentiful and the workers few, got a chance to share a bit more of our vision, and at the end, Jeff allowed us the opportunity to ask if anyone in his congregation would be willing to join us in Hartford City. We had a number of encouraging conversations and over 20 people provided us with their information saying that they would like an opportunity to get involved and help us, in various ways, with the ministry. Please be praying! We are very excited about this opportunity and want to make sure we are wise in how we progress in the next couple of weeks.

I preached at Ken Hogg’s church in Decatur, Indiana (Cornerstone Community) on August 28. Kelli and I joined the JAWS team for a prayer retreat in Fort Wayne on August 29 and 30. I was responsible for the teaching during that retreat. The week of September 4th, we are hoping to have our first Bible study at our apartment. All of these things have been a lot to prepare for in a very short amount of time, and, of course, I still have to work at Outback throughout the week. And none of that time includes any of the time spent with the actual people of Hartford who we are trying to reach for Christ.

Please be praying that the Lord manages our time and directs our steps. Be praying that he will give us peace and encouragement and energy. Pray that we can hear his voice and that we don’t neglect personal time with Him because of our busyness. Pray that we will not grow weary of doing what is good, but that we will find joy in doing the work of the Lord. Pray that we function more as a Mary than a Martha, since Jesus said she chose what was greater. And definitely, please pray that we are Spirit-led in our choices, our conversations, and the work He has called us to.

This is an exciting time! We have been so blessed by all the Lord has done for us, and He has been faithful to us. Please continue to pray that Jesus will build His church because we know for a fact that we could never do it apart from Him. All of you are great, and we appreciate you so much! It is so nice to know that we have people praying for us!

Pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to work in the hearts of those in Hartford and draw them to God.

*In Him,
Josh and Kelli Jones*

Bankok — *Dr. Katherine Welch*

Pray for Dr. Katherine as she is moving her ministry, “Relentless,” to Bangkok. Pray that she will have safe travels and that the move will go well.



Operation Christmas Child: *Rich Quintano*

Operation Christmas Child is posting new stories every week on the OCC website. One of the stories I read recently is about Evgeniy. Evgeniy was abandoned at birth and grew up in an orphanage until being adopted at age 14. When he received the shoebox, two of the items in it were a wash cloth and a bar of scented soap. Evgeniy did not know what the wash cloth was for but was very excited about having a personal bar of soap. The

experience with showering was to go to a public bathhouse once a month with all the kids from the orphanage. Evgeniy saved the soap and when the orphanage got their own showers, the soap was used for the first time! Here is what Evgeniy says about the experience: *Looking back, I realize that my shoebox gave me a sense of hope. It showed me that someone really cared enough to pack this gift and send it to me. To the person that packed my shoebox, I say, "thank you! You gave me something small, but it was so significant!"*

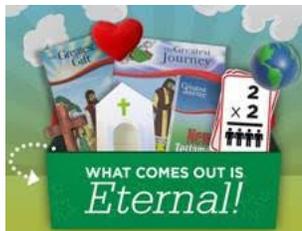
You can read the story yourself at:

<https://www.samaritanaspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/shoebox-stories-evgeniy-and-the-soap/>

A few months ago we started to look at the eternal impacts of the OCC ministry. They are:

- ◆ Shares the Good News of Jesus Christ
- ◆ Blesses children with joy, hope and love
- ◆ Gives a church an effective outreach tool
- ◆ Makes disciples through the local church
- ◆ Multiplies as children share their faith with friends and family
- ◆ Grows congregations and plants new churches worldwide

Last month we looked at the fourth of these impacts. This month, let's look at the fifth: **Multiplies as children share their faith with friends and family.**



The children are excited to learn about Jesus and begin to share with others immediately upon beginning the discipleship program. At the end of the program, there is a graduation ceremony at which the families come and celebrate the child's accomplishment and share in the excitement. The gospel is further spread as each child is presented with a New Testament to bring home. This is often the first Bible in the homes and families spend time reading and learning together!

The LifeWater OCC theme question/answer:

Q: Why are we doing OCC?

A: Changing lives in the name of Jesus!

There are only a few more months left of collecting items for shoeboxes so let's start focusing in on specific categories. For September, let's focus on the **something to wear** category (i.e., shirts and pants, underwear, shoes and socks, flip-flops, hat/scarf/mittens, etc.).

If you see something at a great price, in any category, either buy them all or let me know at lifewaterocc@frontier.com and we can spread the word to others. The categories are: Something to Wear, Something to Love, Something to Play with, Something for Hygiene, Something for School, and Something Special.

Here is a link to get more info, ideas, and read stories and testimonies: [Operation Christmas Child](#)

In His Love,
 Rich Quintano
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September 2016 Calendar

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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|  <p>OCC item for September: "Something to wear" items</p> | | | | 1 | 2 | <p>3</p> <p>9:00 a.m. — Church lawn clean up day</p> <p>10:00 a.m.— Worship Band Practice (Sanctuary)</p> <p>2:00 p.m. — Men's golf outing at Donald Ross Golf Club</p> |
| <p>4</p> <p>9:00 a.m. —Life Group led by Deb Price/Carole Brace (Café)</p> <p>9:00 a.m.—Prayer Meeting (Pastor Doug's office)</p> <p>10:00 a.m.—Morning Service (Sanctuary)</p> <p>7:00 p.m. — Light House Youth Group (Youth Rm., Basement)</p> | <p>5 LABOR DAY</p> <p>Church office and Kids Crossing Daycare closed for the holiday</p> | <p>6</p> <p>7:00 p.m. — All Church Prayer Meeting (Café)</p> | 7 | 8 | 9 | <p>10</p> <p>11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. — Fall Festival (church lawn)</p> |
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LOOKING AHEAD:

Oct. 4 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Café)

Oct. 8 Joining the Team 101, 201 and 301 (Youth Room, Café, and Basement,)

Oct. 11 7:00 p.m. — Church Board Meeting (Café)

Oct. 14 and 15 Women's Retreat at The Summit

Oct. 16 11:30 a.m. — Life Group Coaches Meeting (Café)

Oct. 23 11:30 a.m.— Splash Team Meeting (Café)