



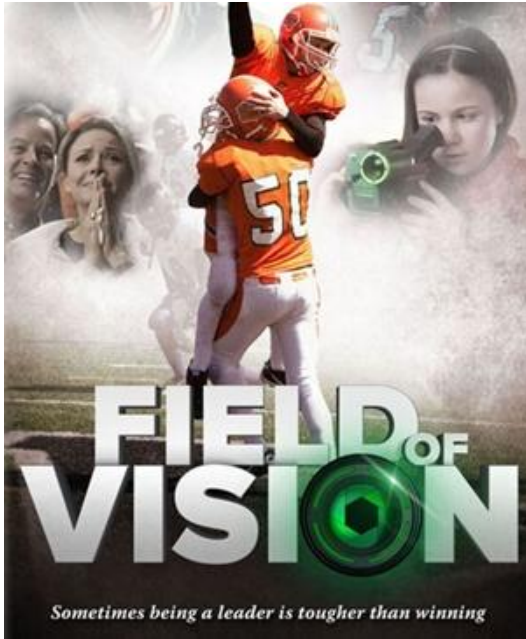
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## Come to Movie Night!!

**This Saturday, February 11 is a Family Movie Night! The movie shown will be "Field of Vision". Come at 6:00 and bring a snack to share with friends and enjoy a wonderful family movie!**

It's time to start registering for summer camp! There are many options available for kids of all ages at Butler Springs Christian Camp. Check the bulletin board downstairs for more details. The sooner you register the more discounts you get! To receive a church discount please call the church office (937) 393-1752.



Edna Patton would like you to help her celebrate her 100th birthday at her party on Sunday, February 12 from 2:00 to 3:00 at the Hillsboro Church of Christ in the New Fellowship Hall. If you are unable to attend, and would like to send birthday greetings, the address is 155 W. Walnut Street, Hillsboro, OH 45133. Please join us in celebrating the life of this wonderful Christian servant!

**F**or the most part, a typical military has two types of soldiers: Special Forces and Foot Soldiers. In the U.S. military, most of us know the names of the Special Forces Units: the Marines have their Green Berets; the Army is host to the Army Rangers, and specifically the Airborne Unit: while the Navy Seals are arguably the most well known of the three divisions of Special Forces. These are the guys who are called upon when there is a real life "Mission Impossible." The thing is, they usually get the incredibly difficult mission done regardless the cost. Their dangerous adventures may require serious to life threatening injuries. They may break a leg, get shot five times, lose an eyeball, have a foot blown off...but they *will* get the mission done. No price is too great. The Foot Soldiers on the other hand, while extremely brave, are not singled out as being the "best of the best." They are the average, daily grind, "normal" mission men and women who serve our country bravely and faithfully. At the end of the day though, they are definitely *not* the Special Forces. They'll get the job done eventually, but if the cost is high, and the stakes are great, you'd better send in the Special Forces. Guess which of the two soldiers is featured in documentaries on the National Geographic Channel? Guess which soldier all of us fear in a fist - fight? Guess which soldiers as small boys we try to imitate as we play "war" in our backyards and wooded areas? While I'm overstating the case a bit, there are corollaries we can easily draw from when it comes to our Christian Mission. We set the bar so high for Mission Impossible that only the 'Green Berets' get to suit up. Actually, they tend to be the only ones who show up for Mission Impossible. For us, that means only the people who "are called" or "skilled" in spiritual combat are those who rescue the drug addicts and those enslaved by the illegal sex trade in Cincinnati are welcome. Those are the people I want to have lunch with, encourage, pour into, listen to, beat on the shoulders, etc. Can you relate? But here's what I've learned: It's a mistake.

One of the reasons why the Church today seems powerless is because we try to sign people up for something only Navy Seals could do. I am personally guilty of this as well. Even in my example that I already gave of the addicts and sex trade...we read that and think, "I could never do that." I'm not skilled enough. I don't know the Bible well enough. It's a messy business and I might get wounded in the course of action. In encouraging

Christians to engage the problems that the world throws at us I thought that we needed to set the bar high. In setting the bar high, I'd raise the tide in the harbor for all the ships. That's not what usually happens. In fact, I usually get the exact opposite. Blank stares. Shuffling feet. Throat clearing. While I am perplexed and slightly judgmental in my spirit as I once again lead the ever encouraged Rangers off to their next mission.

Here's what Jesus does: He sets the bar very, very high in order to be called "a disciple." He says things like: "Follow me." "Let the dead bury their own dead." "Hate your mom and dad." (i.e., love Me more than you love your closest family). "Take up your cross and die." I'm not sure how you see it, but I would measure those statements as considerable bar-raising challenges. And of course, with that kind of challenge, there is also commensurate invitation. "My yoke is easy." "Take heart, I've overcome the world." "I am with you always." "Your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom." Then, after this ridiculous bar-raising exercise (which is simply the invitation to discipleship), Jesus incredibly lowers the bar. In Luke 9-10, Jesus essentially says this: "Go out and find some people you like. Make sure they like you too. If they do, stay with them. Hang out with them. Share your life with them. Invest completely in them. And help them to understand My Kingdom. BUT, if you can't find anyone like what I've described... leave" (Rob's Opinionated Version – you can't find it in stores). Excuse me? Seriously? Set the bar incredibly high for discipleship (with a commensurately high level of invitation) and set the bar incredibly low for mission? Yes. At least, that's what I believe Jesus told us to do. Mission must NOT be exclusively a Special Forces thing. Rather, Mission must be doable by the Foot Soldiers. If the average Christian Soldier cannot go boldly into the battlefield, the Army will never win a single battle.

If Jesus intended for the battle to be won by Special Forces types of people – He would have called Special Forces types of people. Instead, He chose to call uneducated, simple, normal people. He called people not too much different from you and me. You see, there *are* only two types of soldiers (for the most part) but there is only *one* kind of Christian.

Battling Together.....until they ALL hear –

Rob

Crossroads Hospice of Hope is offering a Grief Recovery Program to be held at the First Baptist Church in Mt. Orab, OH. The Grief Recovery Method Outreach Program based on The Grief Recovery Handbook, will guide those who wish to resolve their loss issues and move beyond their grief to a richer quality of life. The program will be held from February 20th thru May 7th. Call 513-786-3743 with questions or to reserve your space.

Person to Person Ministries will hold Spring Work Days on March 26—28, April 16—18, and May 7—9. They will be cleaning up the campground, roofing buildings, siding the First Aid Station, and many other projects. Give them a call 937-840-9071 if you are able to help. This will enable them to plan the work and the lunch meal they provide.

### Butler Springs Vision for the Future!

In the 2011 Camp season there were 50 summer camp opportunities for kids and parents which involved 1,700 campers and 400 volunteers. The 2010 summer resulted in 71 baptisms, 150 rededications, and 23 full-time Christian service commitments! Butler Springs is never a dull place! In 2010, seventy different retreat groups visited and made good use of the facilities.

Seeking God's wisdom and His servant's help, the Board of Directors have prayerfully casted a vision that includes these construction goals for the next two years:

1. Snack Shack—completed November 2011!!
2. Prayer Room—for solitude and concentration when seeking God's input.
3. Additional Staff Housing—as of now, the camp has three houses for three of the four full time staff members and their families.
4. Ranch House addition—growing camp programs require more summer staff and camper bed spaces.
5. Replace Building Equipment—with time and use equipment begins to fail. We are in desperate need of three heat pumps for dorms.

The camp's projected monetary goal for the next three years is estimated at \$250,000.

Please get involved where God is working and join us in providing a bright future for kids of all ages where lives DO change through Christian camping. Thank you for giving to the camp and helping us do His Good Work.

Gifts: In memory of Jim McConnaughey, Pat Howard, John Roth, Charles Truman, and Ann Williams given by M/M Larry Roades. In memory of Jim McConnaughey given by Valerie & Steve Doepp.

Come join us on Saturday, February 18, 2012 at the Sardinia Church of Christ, 7130 Bachman Drive, Sardinia, OH from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm for "National Make A Blanket Day".

Please bring your lunch and drink as well as supplies for the type of blanket you will be making such as yarn, knitting needles, crochet hooks, sewing machine, or whatever it is you use to make your blanket. Minimal supplies will be offered such as yarn and fabric for afghans and quilts. No baby-sitting will be provided.

If you would be interested in making a blanket to comfort a child or would like to offer a donation please contact Carol Chambers Chapter Coordinator Assistant at 937-927-5455 (email at [crafty4873@att.net](mailto:crafty4873@att.net)) for more information.

## Area 937 Food Pantry List

Pick **one or more items from each box** and help us fill the pantry!

### Can & jar items needed:

corn  
green beans  
carrots  
pork n beans  
spinach  
tomatoes  
peaches  
pears  
pineapple  
mandarin oranges  
applesauce  
soups  
spaghettios  
potatoes  
tuna  
ham  
chicken  
peanut butter  
jelly

### Box & bag items needed:

crackers  
dry beans  
cereal  
pancake mix  
stuffing  
flour  
sugar  
boxed whole dinners  
hamburger helper  
tuna helper  
mac n cheese

### Non-food necessities:

shampoo  
toothpaste  
toothbrushes  
toilet paper  
dish soap  
tissues  
paper towels  
feminine products

**Food Pantry Volunteers:** **9:** Jan A., Chris H., Bev C., **11:** Jan G., Tim G., Mary H., **13:** Kay M., Lynn, Hazel, Gene, **18:** Kay, Joan B., OPEN, **20:** Michelle, Tammy G., Don & Sue, **23:** Jan A., Chris H., Dennis & Dorcus, **25:** Jan G., Tim G., Debbie V., Darlene C., **27:** Jan A., Lynn, Jill B., OPEN.

**Clothing Pantry Volunteers:** **9:** OPEN, **11:** OPEN, **13:** Todd & Kristine, **18:** Gloria, **20:** OPEN, **23:** Olin & Sharon, **25:** Gloria, **27:** OPEN

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE — February 5, 2012

*Morning Worship: 369 Bible School : 232*

Weekly need:       \$ 11,923.32  
                              \$ 13,134.00

A complete financial report is available upon request to the church office.

## Serving February 12,19,26

ELDER ON CALL: 12: Ron H., 19: Josh G., 26: Richard V.  
 CHILDREN'S CHURCH 12: Chuck A., 19: Gary S., 26: Jerry T  
 HOME COMMUNION 12: Jim D., Bill M., Ken N., David L., 19: Scott H., Patrick S.,  
 Wes L., Eric R.,26: Steve A., Ken R., Ryan W., Joe B.  
 VAN DRIVERS: 12: Larry L., 19: Scott H., 26: Terry M.  
 NURSERY: 5: Jill B., Sam S., 12: Kay M., Barb C., 19: Jen P., Tessa G., 26: Sue  
 M., Trisha H.  
 If deaf interpreting services are needed please see someone at the welcome  
 center.

Contribution Statements are available to those who have an assigned envelope number and receive envelopes. If you do not have a number and would like to receive numbered envelopes please call the church office @ 937-393-1752. We need a complete address to send your envelopes. We cannot print off itemized statements without this assigned number. Thank you.

*Welcome to Cindy Eleyet who become a part of the Hillsboro Church of Christ family by transferring her membership this past Sunday!*

2/12 8:45-12:00 John C..  
 9:00-10:00 Rocky C.  
 10:00-11:00 Molly S.  
 11:00-12:00 Jamie H.

**HCC South Entrance:**  
 8:45-10:15 Larry B.  
 10:15-11:45 Chuck A.

February Back-ups for WEB Saftey  
 Rick K.; Bob W.; Dave S.; Bill M.  
 Please contact one of these volunteers  
 if you are unable to work your shift.



### HCC Safety Team Schedule

2/19 8:45-12:00 Harley M.  
 9:00-10:00 Thomas B.  
 10:00-11:00 Jamie H.  
 11:00-12:00 Gary S.

**HCC South Entrance:**  
 8:45-10:15 Rick R.  
 10:15-11:45

HCC Safety volunteers are not assigned. Our leadership teams and others wanting to keep our classrooms secure are asked to sign up on the clipboard in the church office. There are currently three shifts open in February.

**Little Lamb Christian Preschool  
 is now accepting applications  
 for the fall of 2012-2013**

**PRAYER LIST: A:** The Albert Family, America, Chuck Aurigema **B:** Darlene Bailey, Georgianna Burton, Erma Butler, **C:** Roy Collins, **D:** Margene Dorton, **E:** Judy Evans, **F:** **G:** Marvin Gard, **H:** Sara Jean Higgins, Keith Holt, **I:** **J:** **K:** Elfriede Karnes, Frank & Rosemary Kiser, **L:** Mary Lloyd, Bre'ann Lofton, Mary Long, Lillian Ludwick **M:** Ron Magee, Elsie McConnaughey, The McConnaughey Family, Maxine McCormick, Opal McMurray, **N:** Meredith Nicley, Harold Nixon **O:** **P:** Janet Pence, Doris Jean Pierce, Clara Porter, **Q:** **R:** Charles Redkey, Laverne Rhoads, Rex Ruble, **S:** Karie Smith, The Smith Family, Irene Sprinkle, Louise Sprinkle, Jacquie Stethem, Rilyn Stethem, Teri Stethem, Dot Swingley **T:** Karen Temple, Richard Temple, Dena Thompson, **U:** **V:** **W:** Richard Walker, Sharon Web, The Williams Family, The Willoughby Family, Inez Wilson, Dorothy Wilkin **X:** **Y:** **Z:** **"Mission for the week":** CCU, The Jim Newman Family, our shut-ins. **Deployed Military Prayer List:** Doug McCoppin, Heath McCoppin, Craig McLaughlin, **Non Deployed List:** Jeff Allen, Eric Aurigema, Nathan Biggers, Seth Page, Jorden Stratton, Adam Strawmyer, ~Names in bold are due to be taken off the list.

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## Times of HCC Events

### Sundays:

8:00 AM Adult Bible Fellowships  
 8:15 AM \*ASAP Prayer Ministry meets in the Parlor  
 9:00 AM Worship  
 9:00 AM K-5th grades at the WEB  
 10:30 AM Adult Bible Fellowships & Children's Sunday School

**TV Broadcast on Cable Channel 15 / Tues. at 2:00 PM**

### Mondays:

6:30 PM 1st Monday—Elders & Ministers Meeting  
 7:00 PM 3rd Monday—Leadership Meeting  
 7:00 PM 1st & 3rd Monday—Nursing Home Visitation

### Tuesdays:

### Wednesdays:

6:30 PM Crossing Bible Study, Worship Rehearsal, Cherub Choir  
 \*ASAP = Always Say A Prayer

**Connection 2:42** groups meet in various homes and locations throughout the week. Please call the office for a current list. You are more than welcome to be a part of our small group ministry - Connection 2:42!