

MISSION OF THE MONTH-BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

The Commerce Boys and Girls Club has been selected by the Serve Team to be the June Mission of the Month. Currently, the club organizes and administers youth sports in Commerce, a big assignment that not only involves assigning youth to teams, but also recruiting volunteer coaches and referees and conducting an extensive training program for them. According to Ginger Womble, Chief Development Officer, three hundred Commerce youngsters participated in sports programs last year.

Part of the Boys and Girls Club motto is, "Bright Futures Start Here." Many notable figures are alumni of the club, including Magic Johnson and Denzel Washington. Washington is quick to acknowledge the club's impact on his life. It gave him a safe, secure place to stay after school, fed him a snack, helped with homework and built his self-discipline and self-respect.

At this time, Boys and Girls Club does not have a club in Commerce, but establishing one is a goal. Ms. Womble says that one issue the club would like to be able to address is the "summer slide," which has nothing to do with an amusement park and everything to do with the loss of academic skills during the summer.

The club will be conducting three mini sports camps in soccer, baseball and basketball occurring in July. They are open to boys and girls ages 6 and up at a cost of \$40.00 per camp. There is also an additional \$65.00 application fee. The camps will teach skills and focus on making healthy life choices.



There are several ways to support this mission.

1. Drop dollar bills or a check with Boys and Girls Club in the memo line in the collection plate during the Sundays in June. If you give online, just click on the appropriate button.
2. You can volunteer to be a coach or a referee.
3. You can sponsor a child by paying the \$65.00 application fee or the \$40.00 fee for the mini camps so that no child is left out because of finances.

Who knows what bright future we might help to launch by supporting this mission?



Notes From Cheryl

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! – 2 Corinthians 5:17



What does it mean to be a “new creation”? We all yearn for renewal, but are we willing to do what it takes to pursue it? God makes everything new and entrusts us to take action to make it happen.

The hardest thing we may have to do is get rid of something old to make room for the new. Sometimes it turns out to be harder than we expect, but remember how it makes you feel when the new thing has blessed, changed, or transformed your life.

As we begin our journey through summer, I find myself excited at the possibilities that await, mostly just time to be and bask in God’s creation: To recreate the sabbath, taking time to dream and plan and just enjoy life (and watch my baby daughter become a senior in high school!).

Let’s celebrate June and the coming of summer by committing to worship regularly together. Let’s tend the new creation God is working on in us through Jesus, by worshipping like we see Jesus worship in scripture: with honesty and authenticity, from the heart, based on an active relationship with God. *To tend* means literally *to lean in the direction of* the new creation, and make room for this fresh expression of the Holy Spirit blowing through our church.

See you in church!



VBS at FUMC-Commerce

August 5-8

5:30-8:30pm

More details coming soon!



Prayer List 5-30-24

Recent Concerns:

- ◆ All who are affected by the war in Israel
- ◆ The congregation of the Methodist Church in Royse City
- ◆ Mariann Andrews
- ◆ Lisa McGuyer
- ◆ Dan Perkins
- ◆ Betty Martin
- ◆ Clarence Jensen
- ◆ Anna Blohm
- ◆ Mike Smith
- ◆ Wyman Williams
- ◆ Rose Stapleton
- ◆ Mike King
- ◆ Richard Young
- ◆ Carlos Rickman
- ◆ Sam Elwell
- ◆ Jack Kelly, Jill Grove's father
- ◆ Glenda Helton
- ◆ Rob Lee
- ◆ Brenda Mosley Longhoffer (Lisa McGuyer's friend)

Continued Prayers (long term):

- ◆ Priscilla McFarland
- ◆ Jack Gray
- ◆ Richard Stapleton, Al Stapleton's brother
- ◆ Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
- ◆ Bill Heitholt
- ◆ Georgia Gholston
- ◆ Manuel Harrison
- ◆ Melanie Cortea
- ◆ Judy Cortea
- ◆ Robert Seay

Austin:

- ◆ Ruby Vander Velde

Ft. Worth:

- ◆ Mary Louise McMahan

Those serving in our military:

- ◆ Celeste Young and Chandler Teague, great-grandchildren of Lee Riddle
- ◆ 1st Lieutenant Cameron Lehr
- ◆ Lt. Dan Barton
- ◆ Daniel Chamberlain
- ◆ Sgt. Stephen Smith & Denise Smith



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

June 2-4 Annual Conference

June 6 First Thursday Luncheon at noon in the Family Ministry Center

June 6-Serve team meets at 2pm

June 8-Youth Swim Party at the Patton's at 4pm

June 10 -Prayer Shawl meets at 9:30am

June 11- Women's Study Group at 3pm

June 11-Trustees meet at 6:30pm

June 20-Prayer Shawl crafting meets at 9:30am

June 27- Prayer Shawl crafting meets at 9:30am

ONGOING WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Tuesdays-Men's Breakfast Group meets at McKay's Country Kitchen at 8am

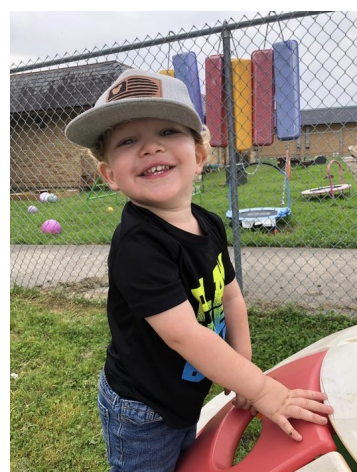
Tuesdays-Country Home Estates Worship @ 2pm

If you are interested in volunteering to help with Sunday School or the nursery, please see Ashlyn.



If you are interested in giving flowers for the altar, please visit with Luann Huffman before worship on Sunday or contact her at 903-366-2899 or lhuffman01@cumbytel.com.

Little Ark Gallery



Top row: Tiny Tots; Pre-school fun with static; Toddler 1 Bottom Row: Pre-K enjoying learning during a Zoo unit.



In case of emergency pastoral care need,
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