

# Hohenwald Church of Christ Family News

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## Honored to Serve in November:

### Announcements:

Bill Lynch

Song Leader: Hayden Bass

Preside at Lord's Table:

Jerry Mercer

Lord's Table:

Chad Spears/Jeff Cameron/Richard Clayton/Jason Fite/Shane Baker/Jaxon Fite

Prepare Communion:

Greg & Stacy Smith

Deliver Communion:

Darrell Hinson

Sunday, November 18:

Opening Prayer: Jon Jones

Closing Prayer: Scotty Duncan

Sun AM Bible Study: 9:30 a.m./Worship:

10:30 Sun PM: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

## Why We Do What We Do

If you ever attend one of our House of Hope giveaways I don't think you can help but be affected in a positive way. I have witnessed many a heart string tugged on as an HCoC member is touched by a child or family who is grateful for a simple breakfast and the opportunity to obtain school supplies or a warm coat to ward off winter's chill. As many of you know, we had one such giveaway just over a week ago and served over 200 people. Those in our church family who consistently work with this ministry are to be commended. Their efforts are bearing good fruit.

It is not just during the back to school and winter giveaways that families are blessed by this ministry: If you are around the building during the week, there is frequent activity in our clothing room as those in Lewis County who are affected by house fires or other unforeseen circumstances are contacting this ministry's leaders in order to be assisted.

As I walk around our Family Life Center and greet some of these folks who have come our way I hear a chorus of thank-you's. It is nothing like the ten lepers in **Luke 17:11-19**, when ten men are healed from a terrible skin disease that has separated them from society but only one of them bothers to return to Jesus to say, "Thank you!" No, it's not like that at all. The people I see are appreciative of the opportunity to give their children something better.

Recently, one of our church members was handed a letter that detailed why they were thankful for what the Hohenwald Church of Christ was doing for her family. This letter contained the following phrases:

**"I just wanted to say thank you."**

**"This truly is a huge blessing in a rough time."**

**"Thank you again so much for blessing my children and family."**

As you can see, this mother is grateful for the assistance provided by House of Hope. She explains that things will get better soon, but we were there for her children when they were going through a time when things did not work out as planned. And how many of us can relate to needing help during a rough patch when things did not go as planned? I know I can.

That is why we do what we do. Not to bear witness to someone's gratitude—although it makes the effort more rewarding—but because it gives us an opportunity to bear someone else's burden, even for a short while.

**<sup>2</sup>Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.  
Galatians 6:2**

Keep the faith,

**Greg**

### Prayer Request:

**John Ellis** is back at the Reserve in Spring Hill where he will undergo rehab before returning to his room with Janie.

### Continue to remember in prayer:

Howard Spears, Bill Skelton, Sarah Hallman, Jason Fite, Amy Sue Cotton, Arelus Dye, Jenny Carroll, Harper Bastin, Judy Burton, Emily James, Bettye Ammons, Barbara Eglinton, Dawn Darden, John Beard, Lovada Burklow, Raylan Carroll, Bobby Galya, Emerie Mitchell, Ronnie Belew, Dana Shanes Lynch, Matthew Jones, Austin Duncan, Beverly Malone, Iva DePriest, Steve Hopper, Debbie Durham, Glen Garrison, Jim Webb, Darrell Potts, Connye Karpel, Louise Tatum, Janie Ellis, Waylin Spears, Jane West, Mary Lou Morton, Doris Gildersleeve, Jimmy Griner, Barbara Nixon, Carolyn Armstrong, Stephanie Fielder, Simon McBride, Patrick Landers, Alan Kimbro, Ada Shelborne

### Upcoming Events:

November 18: Sack the Pulpit

November 20: Blood Drive

November 22: Thanksgiving

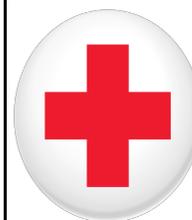


Today is the last day the shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child can be turned in. Your participation in this ministry is greatly appreciated.



### Sack the Pulpit

**We will gather today in the Family Life Center to distribute bags to families we have a relationship with through our House of Hope. If you are able to help, please meet in the FLC at 3:00.**



## American Red Cross

**The American Red Cross will be conducting a blood drive in our FLC Tuesday, November 20 from 1:30-5:30. All blood types are needed!**

### Pantry

This week's items are:

2 cans corn, 2 cans green beans,  
2 cans other canned vegetable,  
2 cans Ravioli

### Be the Church

Instead of gathering for evening worship we will gather at 3:00 for an afternoon of service to distribute food to families in our community.