

THANKS...

for your incredible support for the **Paul Sharp Jr. Event!** Thanks to those who donated desserts; to those who assisted with the preparation and clean-up—you were fantastic!

OUR CONDOLENCES

to the Taylor family at the passing of **Geron Taylor, son of David Taylor.** Please be in prayer for David and his family.

HAITI OFFERING

Thank you for your generous gifts in the amount of **\$392.85** for the victims of Hurricane Matthew. A check in the amount of **\$400** was sent to Samaritan's Purse for Haiti Relief.

GRAPPLE EVENT

Today is Games Galore following the service. Lunch will be provided! Comfy clothes recommended.

★ PRAY31 ★

A MONTH OF PRAYER FOR AMERICA

We invite you to pray for our country through **PRAY31.** 31 days of focused prayer for America. Thank you for being a prayer partner.

THE PURPLE BOOK

Please prepare for our next class on Tuesday by reading/answering the questions in Chapter 7, Discipleship & Leadership. We are skipping Chapter 6 in order to finish our class by Christmas break.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Collection Date: November 13

Samaritan's Purse has informed us that shoeboxes may not reach us in time for the Collection Date of November 13. Our recommendation is that you use your own or obtain a shoebox (carton or plastic) from a shoe store or Big Lots.

Thanks to Keri Wozniak for doing a great job on the Launch Presentation for Operation Christmas Child!



CHRISTMAS-NEW YEAR'S SERVICES

This Christmas season, both Christmas Day and New Year's Day fall on Sundays (December 25/January 1). Both of these are important family holidays that are planned well in advance. We recommend moving our Sunday gathering to the two Fridays (December 23/December 30) so that the Sunday holidays can be enjoyed with your families. If you think this is doable for you and your family, please let Emma know so that we can plan accordingly—Thanks!

EMPOWERED...

Oct 02 » To Live the Baptized Life
 Oct 09 » To Receive the Holy Spirit
 Oct 16 » To Serve
 Oct 23 » To Expect Miracles
 Oct 30 » To Live a Fruitful Life

PRAYER REQUESTS

▶ THINKING - OF - YOU PRAYER

Breanna V. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Noe F. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Annabelle G. ▶ Lung Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kenny D. ▶ Neurological	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elizabeth S. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Danny L. ▶ Peace Corps	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trevor W. ▶ Afghanistan	<input type="checkbox"/>	Moe M. ▶ Lung Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ralph H. ▶ Fluid in the brain	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lotz Family ▶ Family Grief	<input type="checkbox"/>
Suzie S. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Phyllis L. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barb D. ▶ Bone Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer M. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Donald S. ▶ Addictions	<input type="checkbox"/>		

▶ URGENT PRAYER

Peggy H. ▶ Arthritis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Peggy K. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Barb S. ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emma G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Toni R. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mary Ellen H. ▶ Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer M. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>		

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If you want your children to turn out well, spend twice as much time with them and half as much money." –Abigail Van Buren

10/16/16

33

ATTENDANCE

\$797.85

GIVING

4

GUESTS

10

VOLUNTEERS

0

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST

METRICS ▶ THAT MATTER

Miracle: (from the Latin 'miraculum'); **to wander; to have something supernatural manifested in the natural; a sign or might work.** ~~~~~

THE FEEDING OF THE FIVE THOUSAND



⁸ Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up,
⁹ "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far
~~~~~ will they go among so many?" *John 6:8-9* ~~~~~

- John tells us that Jesus is both human and divine. ~~~~~
- God manifest in the flesh. ~~~~~
- John describes miracles so that we can be convinced to **believe** in Jesus.
- This miraculous feeding is recorded in all of the gospels.
- It was close to Passover so there were many folks traveling. ~~~~~

## PEOPLE ARE NEEDY



- Jesus had retreated to this out-of-the-way place to rest near Betsaida.
- People followed him because of the miracles.
- There are some 20,000 people including kids/women. ~~~~~
- Jesus identifies the need: he is very specific.
- He knew what they were lacking and he is moved. ~~~~~

## JESUS ASKS QUESTIONS



<sup>5</sup> When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" <sup>6</sup> He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. *John 6:5-6*



- Philip was from Betsaida. They were near his town.
- If anyone would know, it would be Philip.

Philip answered him, “It would take more than half a year’s wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!” *John 6:7*

- They were faced with an impossible situation.
- Their resources were inadequate.
- At best, they could only supply a taste or snack.

## THE FEEDING OF THE FIVE THOUSAND



“Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.” *Jeremiah 32:17*

**1 CHRIST IS IN CONTROL OF EVERY SITUATION**

**2 CHRIST IS MORE CONCERNED FOR NEEDY PEOPLE THAN WE ARE**

**3 CHRIST IS NOT LIMITED BY OUR INADEQUATE RESOURCES**

**4 CHRIST DOESN'T BARELY MEET NEEDS.**

**HE SUPPLIES IN ABUNDANCE**

**5 CHRIST NOT ONLY SUPPLIES PHYSICAL NEEDS BUT SPIRITUAL NEEDS AS WELL.**

## HE STARTS WITH OUR LITTLE BIT AND MULTIPLIES IT



<sup>10</sup> Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). <sup>11</sup> Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. <sup>12</sup> When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, “Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted.” <sup>13</sup> So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. *John 6:10-13*

“The meeting of need is not dependent on the supply in hand, but on the blessing of the Lord resting on the supply.” - *Watchman Nee*