

The Life and Times

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Office Hours: November 15-April 14: 8 am- Noon April 15-Novellyber14: 9 am - Noon

#### Lots Available for Lease

There are currently no lots available to lease for a RV or Park Model.

The following lots are available for a modular home to be put on them:

5359 Beulah Land

5885 Shiloh Path

Call the Park Office at 863-858-7504 for information.

## News from the Park Administrator

Believe it or not, it has been very dry here. Although we are in a region that reports we are only 1.67" below average, I believe we are much more than that in the Park. The pond has dropped about a foot in the last few days and the Jordan has stopped flowing. Our farmer neighbor to the west, Joe, told me the other day that he has never seen it so dry. Recently there were five different tropical depressions in the Atlantic or Gulf. It is a good reminder that we are in the middle of hurricane season. Here are some important reminders. We must know who is in the Park. Let the office know when you arrive and when you leave. If you have visitors, tell them they must register at the office.

Make certain that all items around your residence are secure. Visit <u>www.ready.gov</u> for more valuable information. Be certain to have your "pick-up-and-go" bags ready.

The maintenance team has been working diligently to bring our woodchipper back into service. For some time, the chipper has been difficult to start. In the process of checking for the cause of that, the team discovered several issues that needed to be addressed. After they replace one last part, the machine should be ready to be put back in use.

Several different alligators have been roaming our Park. I've seen a five- footer, a three-footer, and one very large one in the last several days! For everyone's safety:

- Do not feed alligators.
- Do not throw food in the water.
- Do not walk close to the water's edge.
- Do not torment/tease alligators.
- Do not swim in the water.

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Did you know that the Board has approved these improvement projects for the Park?

- Property acquisition
- Pickleball court
- Tennis court
- Hood Hall tables & chairs
- Truck purchase

You can help make these improvements a reality! Either send a check to the office with the project designated on the *Memo* line or use the <u>form on our</u> <u>website</u> to make a pledge.

Dark clouds are overhead as I write this. Maybe, instead of going around us, we will actually get a good downpour. We've not seen many of those the last several weeks. (After writing this paragraph and I had gone home for the evening, it rained!) Have a great rest of the summer and the early part of fall. May you know God's presence.





The "Big Boy" Our Poor Turtle

## **Office News**

As this article is being composed, Hurricane Idelia is threatening in the Gulf of Mexico. Residents are preparing to hunker down. Park Staff are preparing for what may come. We are praying for continued protection for our Park. **Thankful for answered prayer.** 

August has ended with some of our Staff fighting illness. Hopefully, September will bring good weather and better health.

Sherry is back in the Office as of Sept 1<sup>st</sup> and will be continuing to work on some special projects. Greg is coordinating your reservations, so let him know if anything has changed. Lori has received the pictorial directories so you may pick up your free copy if you had your picture taken. If not, then extras will be available for a charge until they are gone.

We are happy to welcome new owners. John and Alice Garcia as members. They purchased Roger and Karen Stone's home at 5817 Moriah Place. We are sorry to lose the Stone's but so happy to welcome the Garcias. Also, Glen and Stuart have purchased Len and Paulette Roberts' home at 5812 Moriah Place. We welcome you to the Park.

September means it won't be long until some of our winter residents return. Let's hope October will be ushered in much quieter than September. Have a blessed September wherever you are.

## The Office Staff.

#### Dear Light and Life Park Family,

This is a reminder about the September Fellowship Dinner.

The September Fellowship Dinner will be on Monday, September 4, 2023, at 5:30. The dinner will be spaghetti and meat sauce, salad, garlic toast, and dessert. Please sign up in Hood Hall by Friday, September 1. The cost is \$6.00. Come out and enjoy dinner with the other residents of the Park.

Thank you!

Sherry LaBrie

# News from the Board of Directors

Another property purchase for our Park will soon be added to our History Book. We will soon be completing the deal for 5580 Deeson Road right outside our gate.

Back in early 2022 Jessica, the owner, approached us and asked if we would be interested in purchasing. We, of course, said YES. A proposal was put together and presented to her. Second thoughts, on her part, put the deal on hold. Stan kept in touch with Jessica all along. Then in July of this year she came back to us and said she was ready to sell now.

Stan and Bob Cannon met with her to confirm her intentions. A committee from the BOD met with Stan to discuss a new proposal. And on July 31st the agreement was signed for \$125,000. Part of the agreement included us doing much of the cleanup.

Inspections and surveying will need to be completed. Our hope is we will take ownership by September 29th.

A significant amount of cleanup will need to be done. We expect our awesome "Park Volunteer Brigade" will be anxious to get into action.

The Building and Grounds Committee will be working closely with Stan to organize the cleanup. **Our number one concern of course is safety for all.** Stay tuned as more details will be available soon.

As a reminder a pledge form is available on the Park website for anyone wishing to donate to this and other projects.

Thank you all for your prayers of guidance and support in this process. And a big thank you to Stan Welton and Bob Cannon for negotiating the purchase. Soon we will be able to add some more land to Florida's Light and Life Park. Also, keep in prayer for the other property at the NW border of our park, for that is still a possibility.

Larry Putnam Board President

## From the Editor

A few days ago, I was reminded of a bit of History that we might have forgotten and maybe need to be reminded of.

This past month, we commemorated the founding of the Free Methodist Church in 1860 when B.T. Roberts met with 15 preachers and 45 lay persons in an apple orchard in Pekin, New York.

For 163 years the Free Methodist Church has served the Lord around the world.

B.T. Roberts observed that no church could support slaveholding, rent seats in the church, withhold women from full service in the church, and quench the movement of the Holy Spirit in public worship.

Today the Free Methodist Church continues to serve the Lord through **The Free Methodist Way**, its five core values and through countless ministries that plant churches, multiply disciples, fight against modern-day slavery, protect and empower children and much more!

Learn and share more about the history of the Free Methodist Church by visiting!

https://buff.ly/3C871bp.

# Check out the park website!

Copies of the newsletter, the Park calendar, places for sale, and much more can be found there.

#### www.lightandlifepark.org



#### Where to Donate your Goods

The donations given at the Park to help others are appreciated. **Please take your donations to the following places:** 

Food donations for Briarwood may be left on the designated table in Hood Hall.

We will now be accepting "linens" for Senior Orphans. Please refer to Senior Orphans article in this newsletter.

Jean Whipple takes several items to Talbot House weekly. See that article in this newsletter for details.

Thank you for your cooperation.

#### A note about pop/soda cans:

Thank you for saving your aluminum cans which are taken by us to a recycling center in east Lakeland. The money received is being used to help our Park.

I am happy to pick up your pop/soda cans to haul to the Recycling Center, however it will make my job a lot easier if you remember the cans from canned goods **CANNOT** go in with the aluminum pop cans. These are picked up by someone else and need to be kept separate.

There is a bin in the metal recycling collection center near the dumpsters which is marked "POP CANS"--that's the one to use!

Thanks for your help.

Wes Crist

# Talbot House Ministry

The ongoing deliveries of prescription bottles, unused medicines, good clean clothing that you no longer use, and small household items is an ongoing project. Please continue to save these helpful items for the homeless shelter and the Good Samaritan Clinic. Please deliver them to the Whipple's porch at 5866 Deeson Road any time. Jean will get them delivered.

Jean will take your items to Talbot House on Wednesdays. Please note this change! Donations will be accepted all day on Tuesdays and until 10:30 AM on Wednesdays. <u>PLEASE leave your</u> items in Jean's screened porch.

Should you wish to send financial assistance to this work, the address is: 814 North Kentucky Avenue, Lakeland.

## Thank you! Jean Whipple

## **Stamps for Missions**

All donated stamps are sent to Alliance Stamp Ministry in Fort Myers where they are sold to dealers. The money is sent to a publisher in Buenos Aires, Argentina where they publish Sunday school material in Spanish that are sold to at least eight Latin American Countries as well as Spain and the US. They are used by over 40 Protestant Denominations.

Try to leave at least 1/4 inch or more around each stamp or strip of stamps. They now collect picture post cards both unused and used. If used, please leave the stamps on the cards. Thank you. The container is in **Hood Hall** for your convenience.

"Little is much when God is in it." The small amount of time it takes you to carefully cut stamps from envelopes and packages can greatly benefit others through the sale of these stamps. Additionally, you could pray for lives being touched through this ministry during those brief moments.

Thank you. Marilyn Stone

#### Medical Equipment Available

Maxwell Commons at The Villa has some medical equipment available that can be borrowed by any Park resident. Call someone you know in the Villa to help you. Please sign out the equipment you are borrowing. There are wheelchairs, walkers, rollators, portable pots, and shower seats. <u>Please notify a Villa member when you are returning an item</u>, so we know it has been returned. Please **don't** leave it on the porch. We are **not** presently accepting any equipment donations due to lack of storage space.

## **Update on Benches**

We spoke with Ed Hamilton recently and he assured us that he is still optimistic that someone will take over the Park Bench manufacture so we can get more benches. He hopes to know within the next few weeks for sure. He already has some benches requested but would like other requests to be made to the Park Office until the details are sorted out on getting them. You may continue to collect plastic lids. Please be sure they are clean. If they are stored at his place this summer, they need to be put inside his storage containers.

We will keep you posted if anything further develops.

#### **SENIOR-ORPHANS**

Thank you for your continued support of Senior Orphans through your donations of *gently used* bed linens.

Senior Orphans helps local, indigent seniors living with no family support and meager monthly incomes.

The drop-off location is in the totes in Hood Hall designated for Senior Orphans.

<u>Please label your linens</u>, as this saves our S.O. coordinator valuable time when trying to determine sizes.

Attached is a picture of an example of how to label each item.

Terri Boda Coordinator



**Blood Pressure Clinic** 

Even though the blood pressure clinic has been suspended for this year, I am a full-time resident now, and am willing to take anyone's blood pressure at any time.

I can come to your house, or you can come to mine, 5437 Bethel Dr.

**JoAnn Willet** RN 989-615-8430



# WOOD ACTIVITIES NEWS

The wood shop is a little bit lonely this time of year, with all the Northern residents gone from the park! But we are expecting things to "pick up greatly" in the months to come as our seasonal members return for the winter.

The parts to repair the electrical switch on the drill press have come in, but it seems the company does not make the original switch anymore. The replacement switch will need some "modifications", so Dale Schantz is working on that. Good luck to you Dale, on getting it fixed.

We are hoping to get some classes lined up for projects using lathes and other woodworking tools. So, if you have a particular area of interest and skill, such as lathe work, scroll saw, router, or other machines, please get in contact with Dale Schantz, Larry Putnam or me and we will get you started with a class. Volunteering for this is also a good way to get to know other members of the woodshop.

We hope that everyone is having a safe and enjoyable summer and are planning to return to Light and Life Park this coming winter season.

May God bless you and your loved ones richly!

Jim Falconer

Falconer\_j@yahoo.com

Secretary/Treasurer



# Bucket Listers



Our summer weather is almost gone but we know where we can go to find some warmth and sunshine! We are truly blessed!

The Bucket Lister Projects for this coming winter season include buying televisions for Hood Hall, building a shade structure at the pool, buying new side tables for the pool area, screening in the lanai by the pool and building a pavilion near Hood Hall!

Earl & Willie are returning to Light and Life March 17, 2024, for a southern gospel concert at the church.

The Bucket Listers will continue to offer Tuesday Night Movies and Tuesday Night Trivia on alternating Tuesdays nights in Hood Hall during January, February and March. We will also be baking Cinnamon Rolls and serving Hot Dog Lunches during the craft shows!

Your support of these activities is amazing and appreciated!



While you are yard saling this summer and fall keep your eyes open for jigsaw puzzles. We have an extensive collection but could always use one or two more!

Enjoy the fall and see you soon.





50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

#### Celebrating your golden wedding anniversary in 2024?

Then we would like to honor you in our annual reception to be held on February 9<sup>th</sup>.

Among those celebrating 50 years of marriage are: Richard & Patty Bohms, Fred & Barb Hartson, David & Gayle Hooks, Vernon & Kathy Kauffman, EJ & Brenda Miller, Randy & Faith Reesman, Stan & Gloria Welton, and Dennis & Jill Wood.

Want to be involved? We'll need help with planning, setup, decorating, greeting, serving, and clean up.

Thank you,

Carolyn Lindley carolyn lindley@yahoo.com 50th Anniversary Chair

# L & L Aqua Splash Water Aerobics

Come & enjoy fun in the sun with a low-impact workout in the water to enhance health & wellbeing.

Routines are choreographed to music and designed to promote improved muscle strength, endurance, flexibility & core balance without the stress of land exercise.

Splash times are offered **year-round**, twice weekly, and free of charge.

Coordinator: allforyum@aol.com

Castle-Williams Karen

704-502-0466.



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2024 CPC golf tournaments!	Gad-About News
Save the dates!	Thank you to all the ladies that joined us on the trips in 2023.
Two-person (men and women) Tournament (18 holes Scramble)! Bring your partner! Jan 5, 2024 (Friday) Earlier start time 10:00 AM	A special "Thank You" to all the ladies who drove us there and back safely.
Club Championship Tournament (two flights) for Men's & Women's categories (18 holes) Feb 2, 2024 (Friday)	Here is a peek into what we have planned for next season, 2024 Jan 11 - HSN Shopping Outlet
Note: if Field Day doesn't happen in 2024, the closest to the pin and longest drive contest will be held as part of the Club Championship!	Jan 25 - Secret Staircase Restaurant Feb 15 - Lunch on Limoges & Giraffe Ranch Feb 29 - Silver Springs Park & Glass-bottom Boat Tour Mar 14 - Back Porch & Stable Home Decor
Two-person Blind Draw tournament (18 holes) March 8, 2024 (Friday) Shot gun start at 10:00 AM. Men's & Women's Categories. \$50 to each winning team, plus,	Mar 28 - Russell Stover Chocolate & The Villages West Tour
names on a trophy in Hood Hall. Three club Co-Ed tournament April 1, 2024, Monday, 18 holes. 10:00 AM	Things are subject to change until we can confirm all the details in November/December when we return to the park.
The Player's Club Ed Stockwell 517 861-0481 edstockwell48@gmail.com	Keep thinking of things for the future and let me or Peggy know. Our hope is that we can keep the away trips to 2 hours or less whenever possible.
<u>Custockweii+o eginali.com</u>	Flo Grabowski
Light and Life Bowling	Cell 931-797-2639 <u>coachflollc@gmail.com</u> Peggy Dunn
It is getting closer to bowling season. When you come south you might want to take advantage of the \$69 four-month pass that lets you bowl 4 games a day, 7 days a week.	Cell 248-766-5537 pegjim2000@yahoo.com
The renovations are coming along and should be almost complete by the time we start our league.	Bowl with PBA50 Legends on Saturday, August 26th!
At the end of August, we were privileged to have the BVL PBA50 tournament at the Orange Bowl Lanes to honor veterans. It went from Saturday the 26 <sup>th</sup> to Wednesday the 30 <sup>th</sup> and was televised the last day.	
We are looking forward to seeing everyone return for another season.	The Pros who graciously bowled with all the non-pros at the Orange Bowl Lanes
Barb Hartson	and no, Fred and I didn't bowl.

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**Library Information** 



#### **Library Notes**

We now have a way for you to keep track of when your fiction library books are due. There is yellow "date due" sheet by the card pocket. Just enter the date that corresponds to one month later than when you sign out the book. There are calendars at the checkout counter for your convenience.

We are working on several projects currently:

- rearranging the DVDs in an easier to use format,
- card cataloging the children's books,
- putting genres on the novels.
- adding new books to our fiction section.

If you have any book requests or author requests or suggestions, please let us know.

In looking through the sign out cards, we have over 30 plus books way overdue by up to 6 months. If you get a notice, please respond. Invoices will be sent for the missing books. We lose over 50 books a year due to not being returned. If you find the book, your money will be returned. Thank you for your efforts in this area.

God bless!

# **Book Review**

#### A Double Dose of Love Amish Mail-Order Bride Book 2 by Kathleen Fuller

Identical twins are interesting individuals. They are alike in so many ways, features, and actions. At the same time, many twins are opposites. For example, one serious the other easy going, often leading to conflicts, especially through perceptions.

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Now take two sets of identical twins with the very same traits as those described above, meeting each other, falling in love, almost at first sight; both sets are Amish. That is the theme of Kathleen Fuller's series, *An Amish Mail-Order Bride, A Double Dose of Love.* 

Amanda and Darla live in an Amish community two hours away from Zeke and Zeb who live in Birch Creek. A newspaper ad prompts Darla King to travel to Birch Creek in search of a husband. Her identical twin, Amanda, promises their parents she'll convince Darla to come home. The sisters' close relationship is strained as Darla asserts her independence and Amanda grapples with regrets of her past and the longings of her own heart.

Zeke and Zeb aren't looking for romance. They have their hands full with a new horse farm, a halffinished ranch house, and a wild colt, thanks to Zeke's hasty business dealings. Now Zeb must contend with Zeke's bad decisions, hidden debts, and tendency to avoid responsibility, which threaten their good standing in the Birch Creek Amish community.

No one can possibly predict the outcome as all four come face-to-face with their highest hopes and deepest insecurities. You can find this book and the rest of the series in the fiction stacks.

Gloria Welton
Librarian

## **Cars and Coffee**

2nd Saturday of every month 8:00am to 10am,

**September 9**<sup>th</sup> and everyone is welcome to come and enjoy the vehicles of all years, sizes, and shapes at:

5221 Deeson Road, Lakeland, Florida.

Come, join the fun, and have a cup of coffee and a doughnut!

Larry Thomas 540-447-0458

A Good Read	Our HORSESHOE pits are open.
Mel Starr, our resident author, has copies of his medieval mysteries, including the newest, #15, <b>SUPPRESSION AND SUSPICION</b> , which was released in October.	The pits are located between the miniature golf and shuffleboard courts. For nighttime play the light switch is inside the miniature golf shed on the east wall.
He has a new book being released in October just in time for the next winter season here in the park.	Help yourself to horseshoe fun. Keith Childerhose
Even though the Starr's have left the park for the summer, you can find all his books at Amazon.com.	Fellowship Dinners With Programs
"Growing old is like a grammar lesson: we find the present <b>tense</b> and the past <b>perfect.</b> "	Fellowship dinners with a program are held Nov. - Apr. <b>the first Monday of each month</b> .
	Carol Zeller will be coordinating the November event with "What's My Line?" game show and Carolyn Lindley will spearhead the December
Shuffleboard	evening with a Christmas theme. Definitely make plans to attend both evenings.
Just a reminder for the summer! The courts are always open, and the pucks will be waxed. You are always welcome to play if the sun and bugs don't deter you. Enjoy! We will resume a regular schedule in the Fall. Date Schantz 989 975 6710 or 863 816 5422	Giving everyone a heads-up, especially for snowbirds, who may need to pack costumes, props, etc. The Variety Show will be in March. Begin to think about how you can participate or recommend someone else. Variety is the name of the game: skits, instrumental or vocal music, silly and serious, individual or group acts are all enjoyed. Your suggestions and help are always appreciated; contact me to volunteer.
Pickleball and Tennis	Thanks!
The pickleball/tennis players would like to thank those who attended and supported the two fundraisers'/dinners this year. The courts are always open but are undergoing	<i>Marilyn Stone</i> , chairman jaxstone68@gmail.com
some construction so play carefully.	Game Night
See you in the Fall.	Game Night is held on most <b>Friday evenings</b> at 7:00 PM in <b>Maxwell Commons</b> .
Denise Tomasello 517-250-1420	Bring your favorite game and friends and have an evening of fun and fellowship.

# A new outreach ministry

Join us for the Salvation Army Crafting Event at Hood Hall

Bring your projects to work on in a light hearted atmosphere.

Friday September 15 starting at 1:00 pm Saturday September 16, starting at 8:00 am

Come and go as you please. Cost is \$20.00 for a half of an eight foot table where you can work on your project.

All proceeds go to the Salvation Army Transitional Housing Program.

Please RSVP by September 8<sup>th</sup> to Cindy Lower at <u>cindylower950@gmail.com</u>

We will be collecting new unwrapped toys at the September event. You can bring toys to HH anytime during those two days even if you don't stay to work.

## Best Regards

Cindy Lower

The director Christina Coulson Sent a personal note which I will pass on to all of you who gave last month.

y b m v q l	Dear Friends at light and life back, We just wanted to write a quick vote of throuhs ja the amaying amount of rehere supplies we weined for framilies seriding in our emergency relter and transitional having programs. This car, we required 61 chiedren in grades kanging can kindergotter through 12th grade. This was the ost hids we had ere required before and we would t hear men able to arrit thom without your recosity. The Salvation army is very thankful local partners lefe yourselves. Without your ward not be able to do what we do. Thomh you again Social Formes Director
	Social Formes Director



God is the designer, but thanks **Marva** for capturing it on film

# An update on the Pictorial Directory

Well, the directories have been received here at the Park.

If you paid for your directory to be sent to you, Marva Peck has sent it. Also, she delivered ones to people residing in the Park.

The rest can be picked up at your convenience at the office.

Enjoy...

**Barb Hartson and Pat Wilkins** 

#### **Newsletter Deadline**

Please be sure that your submissions to <u>The Life</u> <u>and Times</u> are delivered to the newsletter editor, Barb Hartson by the  $20^{th}$  of the month prior to publication.

Please use this email: <u>bfhartson@gmail.com</u> (Barb Hartson). Email is the preferred method.

The October deadline is September 20<sup>th</sup> unless the activity is in the latter half of the month. Then check with me to see if you can still make it in.

**Our beautiful Park** 

#### **Outreach Ministry**

Floor cleaner, Kleenex, shampoo, and deodorant. Government programs don't allow the purchase of these and many more necessary items.

This last month we made up fifteen hygiene kits with deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, band-aids, and razors for local teens. The teens were so excited to get these items of their very own. When was the last time you considered these a wonderful gift?

One of the moms had a birthday and received a free cake and a card. Once again, such joy for something so small for a woman whose priorities are food for the family.

A box of Kleenex or cleaner from a dollar store brings happy smiles. Please consider dropping off a donation to Hood Hall, making a financial contribution or volunteering to help pack or deliver to those in need.

Special thanks to all our summer volunteers picking up from Publix, packing boxes, donating, and praying for this ministry.

Christine Aurich Program Director Chrisaurich@hotmail.com 616 402 8241

#### Updates to Briarwood

There are times in every ministry when you wonder if what you're doing is making an impact.

Light & Life Outreach Ministries is making a difference in the kids and parents of Briarwood and beyond.

Seeing kids get their bookbags and giving them hope that they have everything they need to be.

just like the other kids in school, who may have more, is heartwarming.

Providing food every week when costs are up, and supplies are low is what you do!

And it's not just Briarwood. Deliveries are made to those in need every day from Hood Hall.

Please keep this ministry and those it serves in prayer. There are days we need to know you are,

especially when donations are few and the need remains great! Prayer makes all the difference!

Thank you for coming along side L&L Outreach Ministries with your donations and prayers.

And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need. These are the sacrifices that please God. Hebrews 13:16

**Pastor Randy Williams** 

#### New fence at Briarwood



they plan on having a gate similar to L&L (probably not as fancy though ...)

## A Big Thank you

Several people came to our rescue yesterday to help with the Monday Outreach Ministry. Michael Gardner picked up the food order and helped us pack the boxes. Then he also offered to help us make the deliveries. Dale Schantz came to help with the boxes, he also helped carry boxes to the cars and helped us deliver. Tim Price made a note so he would not forget to come to help carry the groceries into Hood Hall and for that we are grateful. Debbie Roberts helped pack boxes, then went to get her van so we did not have to make 2 trips with the boxes. Christine Aurich was there to cheer us on. We were able to sing Happy Birthday to one of the clients. She was so excited to get a beautiful cake for her special day. Thanks to all for helping us out.

#### Karen Wright Coordinator

#### REPORT OF PASTORAL DISCERNMENT TASK TEAM

At this point all I can report is that Pastor Chuck and Annie's last Sunday will be September 10. Cards and any other congratulations can be sent to the church office: 5730 Deeson Rd. Lakeland FI 33810 or to Pam at <u>church@llfmc.org</u>. More news should be coming soon.

#### Sylvia Stevenson, Chairperson

517-882-5881

# **CHURCH NEWS**

# Light and Life Free Methodist Church

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Pastor: Chuck Frankenfeld Evangelism & Outreach: Jeff Bellinger Secretary: Pam Hill Email: <u>church@llfmc.org</u>

# A Note from Pastor Chuck...

The Apostle Paul wrote in Acts 20:31-32, "Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I have not coveted anyone's silver or gold or clothing."...vs.35b "remembering the words of the Lord Jesus himself said:" "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

As my years of appointed ministry draw to a close, I can say with countless other Free Methodist pastors that I did not enter the ministry to get rich. It has been a privilege to pastor this Church body. Thank you. Thank you for your openness to Jesus and generosity in sharing life. Along with Paul I do identify with the charge that I too commit you [Light and Life FM'ers] to God and to the word of his grace. I believe he can and will build you up and give you an inheritance among those who are sanctified.

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

In Christ, Pastor Chuck



## **Prayer initiative**

Just to let you know that our Southeast Regions Conference 24/7 prayer initiative is still very much alive, you can still sign up.

We are looking for all people willing to pray for 30 minutes per week to keep our conference churches, ministries and personnel covered with prayer for the upcoming conference year.

If you are willing to take your place as a prayer warrior, we will give your name to the Conference office, and they will guide you on how to pray moving forward.

Thank you for standing together with us, in this Kingdom work.

Pastor Jeff 716-720-0387

## PRAYER PARTNERS REVEAL

Our Reveal party was a great success. What a blessed time we had over the past few months praying for and getting to know our prayer partners.

Thanks for everyone who participated, and it is our hope that we will be able to do this again in the near future.

Cindy Igel: 716-803-3961 or Pam Hill: 863-808-3779 Email: church.llfmc.org

## HOME BIBLE STUDY

Come join us in the Church Annex for this informal Bible study. Everyone is welcome.

We are currently discussing the Psalms and how they can impact our lives.

Cindy Igel: 716-803-3961 or Pam Hill: 863-808-3779 Email: church.llfmc.org