



Ney Church of God's Monthly **NEWSLETTER**

2025
July



Back To School Giveaway July 26th

Each year we host a day to provide free backpacks, school supplies and school clothes to around 300 local children.

Please consider donating new or gently used shoes and clothing to this effort. *We especially need boys clothes 4t and up.*

Volunteering for this event:

The week before the event:

- We will need help setting up the clothing and supplies. It's a big job! So please save time in your schedule to help out with this amazing event.

The day of the event:

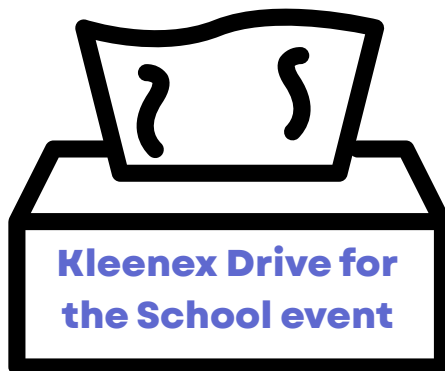
- We will need around 10 volunteers to help the event flow well. This will be about a 4 hour commitment

Tear down/set up:

- Around noon we will need help boxing up the leftovers and taking the boxes and tables to the barn.



Let us come together and make this load light by lending many hands.



**Kleenex Drive for
the School event**



We need around **200 boxes** to supply all elementary attenders. Please bring in right away or consider providing funds for the purchase of them.





Baptism Sunday and Picnic

August 17th 1:00pm

Location: The home of Brittany and Mike Muellers

Address and Map will be provided as we get closer



The day will include a baptism service followed by a potluck picnic
(Burgers and Hotdogs provided) fellowship,
outdoor games and swimming

If you are interesting in being baptized, please see Pastor Kevin.

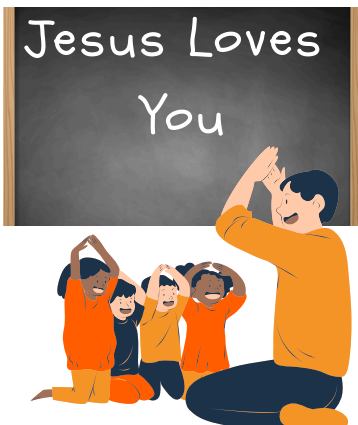


Red Cross Blood Drive

August 7th is another opportunity to give life saving blood to others. We are also in desperate need of volunteers to check donors in and man the snack table. Please sign up for a 2 hour time slot. It takes about 10 volunteers to make this event successful.



Our Kids Need Volunteers!!!!



We really need more volunteers in our Children's department.

Needs:

- Sunday School Teachers. We have a WIDE array of ages and could use more options during the Sunday school hour.
- Nursery workers and substitutes for both services as well as for special events
- Youth Group Leader and possible Wed. Night Kids ministry leader.
- Jr. Church substitutes



Wednesdays 6:30pm Co-ed Small group at the Jinkins

July 13th 6:00pm Leadership training @ The Church

July 12th 8:00am Men's Fellowship @ Seasons Bistro (Bryan Square)

July 20-25th: Set up week for the Back to School event

July 26th. 9:00am Back to School Giveaway

Mission Committee Update

Although many of us may try, as a boy scout would; to always be prepared, we don't have to garner much life experience before realizing life can throw some hard change up pitches and no matter how diligently we've prepared, our purse/wallet has insufficient funds. One of the church mission team's purposes is to bless folks who need a hand up in such cases. (We hope when the opportunity presents itself, the person who received it will pass on the blessing to another special someone.) Yielding to Holy Spirit's help, the team desires to be the hands and feet of our Lord, Jesus in such circumstances.



The team wants to keep you informed of our activities and a good starting point would seem to be the names of the seven team members: BobbiJo Barbee, Cassandra Bacon, Mary Brandon, Cheryl Chafin, Cathy Leu, Matthew Keck, and Danielle Witsoe. Any person on this list can be contacted when you see or have the problem mentioned above or if you just want to learn more about the mission team. Next month: membership and the process followed when a request for funds is made.



Mission Trips and Missional Prayer

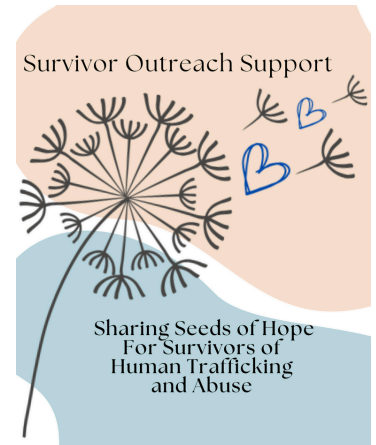
Please keep the following in prayer:

- Pastor Kevin and Kelly as they serve in the Dominican Republic from July 25-July 2
- Cathy Leu as she serves in Romania from July 20-July 3rd
- Our Community: What needs can we/you fill?

Survivor Outreach Support Ministry

Since January 1st, SOS has supplied the following:

\$500: 3 new bikes for 3 brothers in a group home
1 donated bike to a survivor with no transportation
\$2,000 in Rent payments
Transportation to help a survivor of human trafficking
regain a state ID and social security card
\$800 in Child Care costs
\$200 in Gift Cards
\$100 in phone bills
\$400 in electric bills
not to mention, clothing, luggage, shoes, birthday
cards, "just because" gifts of love, Bibles, lots of non-
food pantry supplies, groceries, lots of conversations
and resources! What a blessings we have been able to
offer!



Current Needs to support our SOS ministry

Shampoo, Conditioner
Laundry Detergent and Dryer sheets
All types of cleaning supplies and dish soap
Paper Towels
Paper Plates, bowls, foil and plastic wrap
You can also donate your unwanted gift cards and formal wear
(Formal menswear, dresses, shoes and jewelry).

Questions? See Kelly King



YouVersion

Have you downloaded YouVersion?

If not, do it today. YouVersion is a great free app that provides users with a Bible on their phone.

Ney Church also uses it to provide you with sermon notes, announcements, and an opportunity to pray for others through the week.

If you are having trouble getting the app to work, Ask and we will help you!





Adopt a Spot

For those who have dedicated themselves to keep one area of the church trimmed weeded and maintained, we say thank you.

Please keep your spots looking great!

- **We still have one area of the church that needs adopted. Please consider helping !**



Using your Spiritual Gifts



At Ney Church of God we work to encourage everyone to use their spiritual gifts. Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 12 that “a spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other.” And so we encourage each of you to use your gifts!

In the coming weeks and months, we will continue to provide opportunities and encourage you to use the gifts that God has given you to help and serve one another. If you do not know your gift, or are curious about where or how you can use it, go talk to an Elder or pastor Kevin. We are excited to see God using each of us as we continue to grow in our faith.



2025 Church Council Members



President: Cheryl Chafin **Treasurer:** Stacie Smith

Elders: Rob Zwayer, Steve Sims and Dan Jenkins : All items related to the spiritual growth of the church including ministries that take place during Sunday morning. (ie; small groups, Sunday school, nursery)

Deacons: Lisa Keck, Stacie Smith and Sherry Sims:
All items related to communion, meals, events and fundraisers

Trustees: Matt Keck, John Chafin and Leonard Lockwood
All issues related to maintenance and care of the church facility and parsonage.

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Mary's Musings

For my past two musings, we have “studied” through the lyrics of a song we frequently sing on Sunday mornings, Names by Ben Laine. In teaching spiritual growth, first comes understanding of the Word and then application. Today we conclude our study with application. Now that we are familiar with some of the more familiar names of Abba and Jesus, how do we use them?

The song mentions three actions that can be taken: “singing, praising, and crying.” Singing is a joyful noise (like in the shower). The aim is expression of our feelings. You are full and need to pour it out or burst. Our purpose in singing His name is just being with the Great I Am. It declares Him as our Savior and Lord.

Praise using His name is meant to adore and honor Him. It is often, but not exclusively, done by singing. He is so worthy of our praise. Praise is also helpful in making Satan run; he really hates praise.

The final action, mentioned in the lyrics, is crying. It is a shout or yell (with or without tears) which suggests a need. In the Psalms we often read of King David crying out to God and are assured that He always hears our cry.

The lyrics remind us “there is power in singing, praising and crying God’s name.” One day Everyone will witness His awesome power: Therefore, God has highly exalted him [Jesus] and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father (Philippians 2:9-11).

Remember Peter’s words to the lame man, “I have no silver and gold, [no worldly power] but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!” And the man did (Acts 6:3). The King of Kings is enthroned over all heaven and earth. Trust Him. Sing, praise and cry His names! He is worthy of all His names.