

Hello Everyone!

MISSIONS UPDATEEE - FEBRUARY 2021

This is a general keeping you in the loop update on the missions:

Pastor Daniel: is doing well and has had a few more baptisms. He has asked for continued prayer for their country as the struggle with COVID and the lack of supplies.

Hope Pregnancy: has partnered with a company out of Cherry Hill called Options for Women. They are working out some details. A part of the vision is to have a mobile ultrasound van to move down in this area and to move an open center back into Rio Grande.

Cape Christian Academy: has updated their facebook page with the most recent video. It is called "A peek inside". if you have facebook I encourage you to visit and take a look. <https://www.facebook.com/CapeChristianAcademy>. They will be posting updated videos to show people what the Christian education process is. The idea came because people can not visit but they wanted to give a chance to show what they are doing.

Ocean Academy: HS Teacher Liz Moody has said that she purchased the items for their "store". It will be set up like packaging soon. Each student will get a list of items they need to find and bring back to put in the shopping bag. She is very excited. As well as the school supplies, they also added some first aid items with the funds we supplied. She will be sending us pictures.

Family Promise: A new plan has been set into motion. They will be taking 1 family at a time at first but will be doing no more than 2 families right now. a couple churches have offered the use of their spare homes (calling them hospitality homes) for use. The families will go to the hospitality homes at night. They will be at the Day center during the day when not at work or school. They are asking the supporting churches like us to continue the volunteer schedule. The volunteers will not be spending the nights. At first, they will only be making a dinner and dropping it off at the front door of the Day Center (or have it delivered: volunteers choice). When it is our turn on the rotation, we will sign up our volunteers and provide a menu for the week. We also will need to deliver breakfast items at the start of the week. Things like cereal and milk, frozen breakfast sandwiches, etc... This is a great no contact way to support such a great need. I will be sharing the great news with the church when we get the scheduled date. They hope to start the rotation of the churches on March 1.

I ask that if you reach out to any missions, have any updated information, or questions to please reach out to me. This will allow me to share it with everyone.

Thank you for your continued prayer for our missions!

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**Until the pandemic is over we are only serving 1 family at a time in the volunteer rotation.**

## **DAY CENTER VOLUNTEERS HOST/SUPPORT WEEK OPPORTUNITIES**

- \*Bringing dinner to the Day Center
- \*Donating Breakfast items for the week
- \*Volunteering at the Day Center 11-2
- \*Volunteering at the Day Center 2-5
- \*Program Needs

### **Dinner:**

Dinner should arrive at the Day Center at 5pm when possible. However, if brought early we can refrigerate and heat up in microwave at dinner time.

Please check with your volunteers on meal choices so there are not duplicates. We will have a list of favorites and dislikes the week before, including any foods that they may be allergic to.

Bring meal in disposable containers, or transfer meal to Day Center dishes. We will supply the dishes, silverware, plates and glasses that can be washed after dinner. This way you will be able to take your containers back with you. Leftovers can be served for lunch.

Because masks are not required during meals, we ask that you not stay and share the meal with the family until the pandemic is over.

### **Breakfast Items:**

Volunteers needed to supply breakfast items for the week. Items such as muffins, bagels, English muffins, microwavable breakfast, cereal and Orange Juice. As with dinner, we will find out favorites.

### **Volunteering at Day Center:**

There will be times when we do not have a family during your week of service, but volunteering at the Day Center that week will still be available... masks needed to help with answering the door, accepting donations, help sorting and cleaning donations to go to our storage shed, disinfecting surfaces throughout Center. There will be so much more volunteer opportunities once pandemic is over.

**\*\*Please take note that families will be tested for Covid before, and during, their stay in the program.**

### **Program Needs**

It has been brought to my attention that some congregation volunteers may want to help in a financial way during your week. So, if a specific need arises during your host/support week we will bring that need to your congregation before we put it out to everyone in our database.