

Montesano Presbyterian Church Newsletter

To know to love and
serve Jesus Christ

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FAMILY PROMISE

Family Promise is a mission project that will serve Grays Harbor County for many years. Because this is not just a shelter project, the startup committee has been planning for two years meeting the qualifications for an affiliate as set by the national Family Promise organization.

The goal is to provide shelter, meals, and comprehensive case management for homeless families with children, through a community based response, placing families in homes within 6 months. Family Promise will give them the tools they need to not only survive but to prosper and so become reliant upon employment income rather than the limited income available from various social service benefits. The Families spend the day at a day center, now located at Amazing Grace Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, where parents work with paid case workers, do laundry, shower, and care for preschool children. School age children attend their own schools.

An application has been posted for a full time Director. The goal will be to hire a part time case worker as soon as funds are available. Qualifying volunteers will help. The Day Center is being set up. Insurances have been purchased. There are two offices, a small living room, rooms for child care, adequate restrooms, showers, laundry space, and furniture. A van to transport families from host churches to the Day Center was donated by Emanuel Baptist Church. The Salvation Army will supply drivers and a vehicle to transport beds and belongings. Grants, donations, gifts, and pledges will now be used for rent, salary, and needs ranging from beds to computers to laundry soap. Because room and board is taken on by host churches, the start up costs are about \$130,000. The board is grateful for the support of this church through a yearly budgeted donation, rummage sale and dessert auction proceeds, private gifts, \$180 Club pledges, all those great quarters, and the



Save these dates!

**PW Annual Christmas Party
December 3**

**Live Nativity
and
Festival of Lights
December 8**

**Children's Christmas
Program
December 16**

**Candlelight Service
December 24**

**Soup and Bread
December 30**



support of becoming a host church. With full operation, it is expected more churches will come on board.

The problem of homelessness is extensive and falls under many categories. This program is a real solution for one group - families with children. Easing the trauma of the situation, children involved will remain with their families, be housed and fed, attend school, have birthday parties, receive help with homework, be read to ...etc, through the compassionate work of many volunteers. Each host church will have a coordinator. A training session will take place for volunteers. It is our prayer that many will want to make this new local mission a part of their lives.

Host Congregations

Hoquiam: United Methodist

Aberdeen: Our Lady of Good Hope, Glory Center, United Christian, 1st Presbyterian, St. Andrews Episcopal.

Central Park: Four Square

Montesano: Montesano Presbyterian Church, Church of God

Support Churches (helping with supplies and volunteers)

St Marks Episc., Emanuel Baptist, Amazing Grace Lutheran

Family Promise Board: Phil MacNealy, Arlene Torgerson, Nancy DeVerse, Linda Anderson, Julianne Hanner, Steve Poler, Margaret Carthum, Alicia Henderson

Submitted by Linda Anderson

*As the apple is not the cause of the
apple tree, but a fruit of it:
even so good works are not the
cause of our salvation, but a sign
and fruit of same.*

Daniel Cawdray

Who's Doing What & When

Welcome Team

December 02	L. & B. Taylor
December 09	L. & T. Bullington
December 16	K. Jarvis & S. McCombs
December 23	McCullough Family
December 30	S. & J. Dameron
January 06	D. Chambers & R. Toyra
January 13	J. Grenon & P. Willis
January 20	P. & S. Hildreth
January 27	G. & M. Broughton

Worship Leader

December 02	G. Dalan
December 09	P. Woodruff
December 16	L. Taylor
December 23	A. Oestreich
December 30	J. Howell
January 06	J. Gillespie
January 13	P. Gillespie
January 20	P. Woodruff
January 27	L. Taylor

Coffee Hour

December 02	Anderson & Campbell
December 09	P. Winkler
December 16	P. & S. Hildreth
December 23	K. & G. Dalan
December 30	PW Soup and Bread
January 06	Morrill & Mercedes
January 13	C. & S. Fischback
January 20	L. & J. Schallon
January 27	McCullough Family

Don't forget to sign up
To host fellowship hour!



Wrapped in His Presence

Is the theme of the PW Christmas Party hosted by Deb Chambers Renee Dalan and Carman McCollough.

The party is schedule for December 3rd at 6:30 and they ask that you bring your favorite Christmas goodie. You don't need to bring a gift but you will receive a gift.

There will be a guest speaker - and live music.

They encourage you to bring an unwrapped gift for the ladies at Friendship House.

Presbyterian Women

Suggested items for Friendship House:

Hygiene Products - Body Wash - Lotion -
Towels & Wash Cloths - Gloves - Night
Gowns - Sleep Pants - T-Shirts -
Socks.

Community Care Committee

Unwrapped 

Christian Education

Did you know.....

Monte Pres has participated in the ministry of serving a meal every third Tuesday at the Aberdeen Gospel Mission for ? years?



Heads Up!

To help you keep track during the holidays here are a few events that will be coming up in December.

December 3 - PW Ladies' Christmas party

December 8 - Live Nativity and Festival of Lights

December 16 - Children's Christmas program during worship

December 24 - Candlelight Service

Life Group Schedule

Monte 1 Life Group will meet at 6:30 pm on
November 12 and November 26
Monte 2 Life Group will meet at 7 pm
November 5 and November 19
Elma Life Group will meet
TBA

Other Scheduled Activities

S.A.F.E*	Nov 01	7:30 pm
Deacons	Nov 1	7 pm
Bell Choir*	Nov 4	6 pm
Choir*	Nov 4	7 pm
Awana*	Nov 6	6:00 pm
Youth Group	Nov 7	7:17 pm
Prayer Shawl	Nov 8	1 pm
Session	Nov 8	7 pm
Bible Study	Nov 13	10 am
Bible Study	Nov 27	10 am

*Meets weekly

Office Hours

Monday (closed)

Tuesday & Thursday 10 am - 4 pm

Wednesday & Friday 10 am - 5 pm

(Susan is in the office Wednesday & Friday)

Birthday Lunch

There will be no Birthday lunch in December.

Mission Meals

December 18

Meal has been cancelled

The Mission is having a party!

January 15

Monte 1 Life Group

J. Wills	249-6263	Hot Dish for 20
S. Dameron	704-8223	Hot Dish for 20
E. Johnson	249-3947	Hot Dish for 20
L. Anderson	249-5246	Salad & Dressing for 20
P. Stein	249-5723	Salad & Dressing for 20
D. Hill	249-5058	Salad & Dressing for 20
L. Claxton furnishing dessert for 60		

Monte Pres always furnishes the meal on the third Tuesday of each month.



Again, I would like to thank everyone for your many kindnesses to me during my convalescence. It has certainly taken longer than I thought. Special thanks to Susan for helping get the last two Newsletters out.

Hope to see everyone soon.

Earlene

