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The 2020 Summer Food Service Program was a Success! Members of First Christian volunteered to make sure that children living in the neighborhood around First Christian had enough food to eat this summer. **In cooperation with the Osage Prairie YMCA, FCC and several other area churches handed out approximately 86,332 meals to the youth of Vernon County. Thank you to Coordinator Terrie Ridenour, Marita Pippin, Tena Tyler, Ellen Brooks, Lori Richards, Jaden Thankamani, Susan Swearingen, Bobby Dade, Bill Platt, Rachel Shepherd, and Ilene Lanham. Thank you for doing a great job!!**

The Back to School Give-Away was recently held in the FCC Fellowship Hall. Coordinated by Community Outreach, volunteers from several local churches participated to hand out needed school supplies to area children. **Mindy Barneburg and Sarah Riley from First Christian helped make the event run smoothly.**





Dear Friends of the Y:

Thank You Notes

On behalf of the Osage Prairie YMCA Board of Directors, staff and the YMCA participants of Vernon County,

MO, we say **THANK YOU**. Your partnership in the *Summer Food Service Program*, enabled the Osage Prairie YMCA to deliver and serve approximately 86,332 meals to the youth in Vernon County. This allowed the YMCA to live out its mission to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

We are ever-grateful for your time, effort and generosity. We look forward to continuing to meet the needs of the people and families in Vernon County.

With our full gratitude,
Sincerely, Jeffrey Snyder, CEO



Changes in the Back Packs of Love Program: For the foreseeable future, or at least for the 2020-2021 school year, the Back Packs of Love

Program is being discontinued. Instead, school children will receive food another way. Using a USDA grant program, the Osage Prairie YMCA will be distributing food from a centralized location. Although all the details have not yet been worked out, children would receive seven days of 3 meals per day once a week. If you currently donate to the Back Packs of Love program, you may want to take a pause. The money that is in the FCC account will remain there until the Back Packs of Love program is resumed. Please watch for further information. As the details are developed, we may be asking for your help with distribution efforts.

Thank you Scott and Charlotte Buerge and Berry and Teresa McClure for trimming the plants on the North side of the Main Building. It looks soooooooooooooo much better!!!



A new edition of the church directory is now available in two formats. The first format is a paper clipped, 3-hole punched, set of papers you can **use to replace** the edition published this past winter that is in a dark blue folder. The

other choice is a red report folder containing the updated directory pages. Replacing the pages in the dark blue folder will save money, but if your current directory is frayed beyond redemption or, you did not get an earlier directory, feel free to pick up a red folder.



We welcome **Steven Austin and Sherry Jenkins** as new members of First Christian Church. Sherry is transferring from Pine Street Baptist

Church.. Welcome to FCC!!

Anyone needing a ride to Sunday School or Church in our vans, please let us know by calling the church office at 667-3540 **BEFORE NOON on FRIDAY.**



To help support our local **Community Outreach Food Pantry** we are collecting non-perishable food and dry goods. A box is in the parlor for collection. **Suggested September products:** Mac & cheese, canned veggies, jello, mayonnaise, oatmeal, rice, raman noodles.



Ways to Give: Online at www.fcnevada.org/give; from your phone at www.fcnevada.org/give; or by check by mail.