

Christian Release Time

The end of the 2011-2012 school year completes another year of Christian Released Time in the Philadelphia public schools. After attending Bible-based graduation programs, some of the children are now preparing to attend Christian camp. Celebrations of CRT "graduation" included plays about our beginning in Genesis, special thanks for those pastors, volunteers, and community partners who helped to make it all possible, and delicious cookies and goodies to top off the celebrations.

More groups and schools are hoping to start CRT programs for the 2012-2013 school year. One school where we have a CRT program has noticed that test scores have greatly improved and the behavior of the children has improved significantly.

We continue to pray for our children in the Philadelphia area and look forward to a complete revival that only our Lord can achieve if we allow Him to use us as His instruments.

You can become part of this Home Mission. Encourage your church to support it by sending a child to Christian camp for a week (a donation of \$125.00) or by purchasing a sleeping bag for a child who does not have one (a donation of \$16.00). Above all, pray for these children as they grow in their Christian walk. And perhaps, this September when school opens, start a Christian Released Time with your neighborhood school. We are here to help you get started. E-mail Ann Egner (annegner@aol.com) and she will be more than happy to assist you.

Operation Brotherhood 2011

The date has been set for our Operation Brotherhood Rally to be held at Faithful Temple Evangelistic Deliverance Church, 3416 Allegheny Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19132 on Sunday, October 7, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. Please plan to come, and bring your members, choirs, and youth in order to impact this West Alleghany area.

Only at the rally will we be receiving turkey requests from the churches. Please keep in mind that this is an outreach into your community to share the love of Jesus Christ. If the members of your church need a turkey dinner, encourage other members to invite them to their homes for dinner or hold a Thanksgiving dinner at your church where you can all fellowship and give thanks with the church family. However, even now, start looking for those families who are un-churched and pray

for them. Ask how you can help them, and share Jesus' love with them. This will prepare them to know that you truly care for them and want them to join the family of God and have everlasting life with our Lord. Remember, a turkey and a bag of food are just an expression of our caring, but the real gift is having Jesus as your Lord and Savior.

Please find enclosed with this newsletter the two flyers. One flyer is for the rally and the other for Operation Brotherhood with the calendar on the reverse side. Please note these events on your Church Calendars. Also, make certain on Sunday, October 14, 2012 that you have a Special Offering for Operation Brotherhood turkeys and start your collection of the various foods which we will place in each bag. We must receive your check from the special offering by October 20, 2012 so

The President's Corner

By Mr. Durwin Parks

Has anyone enjoyed the fresh strawberries or blueberries this year? Our Creator God Jesus Christ has give us an exceptional growing season this year. We are truly blessed. Maybe you're just as amazed as I am that the very God who spoke creation into existence and sustains it, was the one who scribbled in the sand in the presence of the woman caught in sin and said, "Your sins are forgiven." In these uncertain times we live in, my prayer for you in the summer months is that you'll keep on keeping on. Please don't forget Skilton House Ministries in your prayers and in your giving, as we cannot continue with the ministry of mercy before us without your help. Give us a call today or visit the website to hear what God is doing in Philadelphia.

that we can order the turkeys in a timely fashion.

Unfortunately, last year our contributions fell far short of our requests and this year we are unable to make up a similar difference should it occur. As a result, we have been forced to limit this year's Operation Brotherhood to 1,000 families unless donations received by October 20, 2012 prove differently. We hope that limiting the number will not continue to be necessary, but we need your continued donations in order to reach more and more families each year. It is unfortunate that in this troubled economy we must limit our outreach to needy families. Please mail your contribution to Skilton House Ministries, Box 1045, Glenside, PA 19038. If you have any questions, please e-mail Ann Egner at annegner@aol.com



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CAMPERSHIP TIME

Our Christian Released Time students who attended Christian Camp last year at Conestoga Bible Camp had a life-changing experience. They still remember the impact that Christian Camp had on their lives, and some are hoping to return this year! Inspired by their stories, more CRT students are excited about the possibility of attending camp in Lancaster County and experiencing horseback riding, walks in the hills of Pennsylvania, good food, fireside hymn sings, and, most of all, studies from our Lord's Word. Your gift will help make this possible.

If you would like to sponsor a child for a week of Christian camp, with everything included, it will cost only \$125.00. You may sponsor a part or a

whole scholarship. Or you can help by sponsoring a sleeping bag for \$16.00. Perhaps a sleeping bag does not seem important, but you can imagine how you would have felt if you arrived at camp and everyone but you had a sleeping bag! We can help these children be like "everyone else" and give them the confidence to leave Philadelphia for the first time to experience God's great outdoors at Christian camp. Whatever the Lord leads you to give would be deeply appreciated.

Please mail your check to: Skilton House Ministries, P.O. Box 1045, Glenside, PA 19038. Please note on your check "For Campership."



Do You Have E-mail?

Our newsletters and mailings are now available via email! Your switching to email helps us to be better stewards of the funds that God has given us for CRT and Operation Brotherhood. If everyone switched, we could send 8 more CRT students to Christian camp to encourage them in their new faith in Christ, or we could feed 40 more families with food and the Word of God...each year!

If you would like to help us in this effort, please send your email address to our secretary, Rebecca Brown, at cwcats@ix.netcom.com in order for us to add you to our list. We will never give or sell your information to anyone else. Our newsletter is also available on our website, www.skiltonhouseministries.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

If you would like to serve our Lord through Christian Released Time, we have a need for volunteers to contact churches and work with them to start the CRT program. There is much work to be done and you will be part of a great revival in Philadelphia and also help your church grow for our Lord. Please e-mail Ann Egner (annegner@aol.com) and we will make arrangements to train you so you can serve.