

Cherry Log Christian Church
Outreach Council Report for April 2016

The Outreach Council meets every six weeks. The committees have been very busy.

The Garden for Others is planted. Sharon Meek has arranged for help from AmeriCorps. Plants were purchased from Fannin High vocational department. The food will be distributed between Fannin and Gilmer food banks.

The food pantries received over 1200 cans of soup during the recent food drive. They are now collecting boxed meals. Each one reported a smaller number of people in recent months but the number of seniors is up.

Durable medical equipment is being collected and stored in the little White House. It was cleaned during the recent workday. It is available for the members of the church and people in the community.

The Clothes Closet continues to serve the community. New families are coming each month. Cards have been given to Fannin and Gilmer food pantries so more people are aware of the clothes. A new sign was placed by the road to identify where the Clothes Closet is located.

The Outreach Council has decided to support the Life for Children Ministries in Kenya. The first project is raising money to build widow's houses. The first presentation to the congregation was April 24th. Donations will be received on May 1 and the list of those honored will be announced on May 8. The second project will be raising money for building wells. This will be done in June and tied to Father's Day. The third project will be planning a mission trip in the fall of 2017. Fund raisers planned for the wells will be a music fest on July 30. A hot dog lunch will be available. A hobby shop, ice cream social and a silent auction will be held in September. The finance committee has approved of these fund raisers. The music committee will help with the Music fest.

We are working on a partnership with Habitat for Humanity to use the Sam Starr trailer in their work.

We will meet again on May 6.

Thank you,
Jane Carwell
Outreach Council