

Missions Newsletter November 2019

FAMILY PROMISE OF ATHENS

Ashford will again be helping to host the families in Family Promise at Union Christian Church during the week of November 3, on November 6 – 9. Thank you to our volunteers who have already signed up! The names of our volunteers are on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. Please remember to keep these families and our volunteers in your prayers this week as we extend God's love and grace to our neighbors in need.

ACTS CAN-A-THON

The Can-A-Thon for Oconee County has started! Ashford will be collecting cans through the end of November. All donations will be delivered to ACTS (Area Churches Together Serving) and will help feed Oconee residents throughout the next year. Please see the list of suggested items they need. Please place all donations in the baskets or on the tables located in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

You can still make a monetary donation to this mission with a check earmarked Operation Christmas Child. All items have been purchased and are ready to be packaged by all of our youth!

The Operation Christmas Child Pizza & Packing Party will be on Sunday, November 10 immediately following worship service. Please RSVP on the Sign Up Genius or email Laura Beaghan at lbeaghan@gmail.com (706-372-4631) if you plan on attending.

OCONEE COUNTY STUDENT CHRISTMAS ANGELS

This year, Ashford is going to sponsor 12 students in need within our Oconee County School system. We are working in coordination with the Oconee County Schools Social Worker to help provide gifts to these children in our area. The goal is to sponsor siblings, so that our church can provide a special Christmas to entire families.

Ashford members will be able to purchase items of need and wishes for each of these students. Once we have the list of children and their needs, a Sign Up Genius will be sent out and information posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Beaghan.

ACTS

Another ACTS Volunteer opportunity is coming up on Friday, November 22. Volunteer responsibilities include stocking shelves, checking expiration dates on food items, filling baskets for clients and working at the front desk. Please see the Sign Up Genius or bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall to offer your time to this Mission. The names of our dedicated volunteers are on the bulletin board...thank you to our volunteers!

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

Ashford will again support the Salvation Army by ringing the bell at Bell's Grocery store in Watkinsville on Saturday, November 30. Please see the Sign Up Genius or the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall to volunteer an hour of your time to ring the bell! It is a blessed hour spent seeing the giving community in which we live.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

The Missions committee is inviting you to go caroling to some of our Ashford Shut Ins on Friday, December 20. We are encouraging our young and older youth and any interested adults to sing with us! We will plan to meet at 4:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will caravan to sing to several home-bound members, deliver gifts and then return to Barberitos for a quick dinner before heading home. A Sign Up Genius will be going out soon!

***** *Save The Dates* *****

November 10:	Operation Christmas Child Pizza & Packing Party
November 22:	Area Churches Together Serving
November 30:	Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Bell's Grocery
December 20:	Christmas Caroling

Thank you, Ashford Memorial, for your continued generous and giving spirit!



A.C.T.S. CAN-A-THON



Items Needed:

Vegetable Oil
Boxed Cereal
Mayonnaise
Peanut Butter
Jelly
Soups, Chili or Stew
Canned Chicken
Canned Tuna
Canned Vegetables
Canned Beans
Canned Fruit
Dinner Kits
Spaghetti Sauce
Canned Pasta (spaghetti, ravioli, etc)

Saltine Crackers
Jello
Powdered Milk
Pasta Noodles
Egg Noodles
Tomato Sauce
Dried Beans
Rice
Mac & Cheese
Ramen Noodles
Pork & Beans
Spam

Ashford Memorial Methodist Church

Collecting donations during the month of November

Please place donated food items in the Fellowship Hall

Thank you for your continued generous and giving spirit!