

Treasurer Update May 2021

True generosity is found in the depths of Christian stewardship, which entails giving of time, talent and treasure. In this issue of the Treasurer's newsletter, I want to highlight a few ways the church and individuals within the church have been faithfully using what God has given, whether that be opportunities, skills, spiritual gifts, money and more, for His Glory, as well as some upcoming opportunities for you to participate in this generosity.

Lenten Gifts

This year for Lent, we challenged the adults in the church to put back a dollar a day to help the local food pantry. We challenged the children of our church with a coin challenge, where they were asked to put back a coin for the number of certain things they have in their house. For example, a coin for every room in their home. Then they would pray, thanking God for the house they enjoy and pray for those who do not have a home. Through the Dollar a Day /Coins for Change Challenges that AUMC did, we were able to give the local food pantries \$6,420.87 in order for them to buy perishable foods for those in need in our community. The director of Light and Life food pantry was very emotional when told of the gift. They will be keeping a list of what was purchased, so that our church family can truly see the impact that gift had.



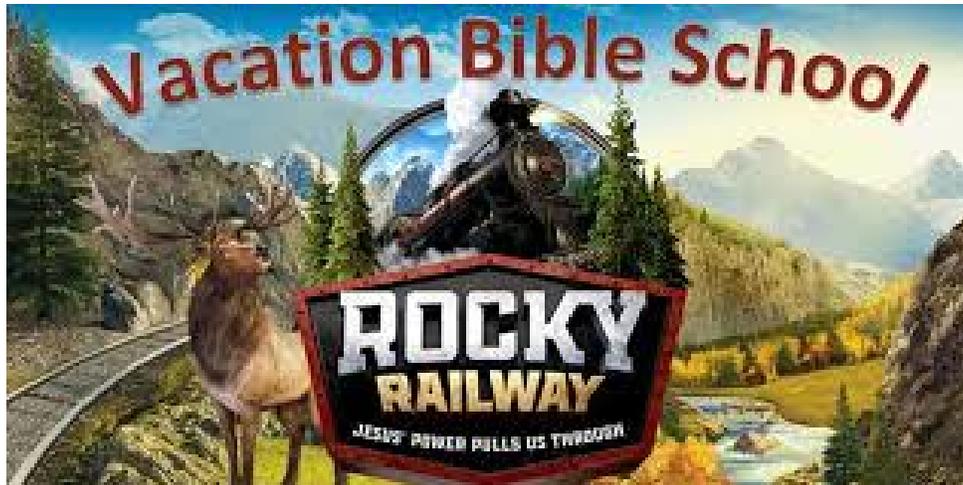
Family Promise Kits

In March, we became aware of a need at Family



Promise. Due to Covid, Family Promise had been using a local extended stay hotel to house families experiencing homelessness while they work toward their own home. The hotel rooms have cook tops, microwaves and refrigerators, but the families needed basic supplies (a skillet, sauce pan, place settings, can opener, toilet paper, paper towels, dish soap, hand soap, laundry detergent).

Our Morning Glories and WinGS Bible Study groups stepped up to make kits for Family Promise and were able to deliver 25 of them, plus some extra supplies!



VBS

The 2nd week of July we will be hosting approximately 200 children as they learn about God at our Rocky Railway VBS. We are only able to make VBS a reality due to our amazing volunteers. There are a wide variety of volunteer opportunities, so if you are able to share your time and talents anytime that week, it would be greatly appreciated.

Sign-up to volunteer here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0448afab2eabf85-vbsvolunteer4>

Another way to support this wonderful ministry is to purchase items needed for that week so that we can further extend our budget. This year, our VBS donation board is online to make it easier for all to be involved and contribute to VBS.

To sign-up to donate, visit:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0b4daea822a1f85-rocky>

SUMMER

Summer is almost upon us. Many of you will be taking vacations and we pray that your travels are safe and enjoyable wherever they take you. Your continued church support is important as we work to fund ministries throughout the summer.

- You can set up online giving by visiting our website at www.avonumc.com and selecting the Give Online box at the bottom of the home page.
- You can also mail contributions to 6850 E. US Highway 36, Avon, IN 46123
- Contributions can be dropped them off at the church office M-F between 9 and 2.

Everything God has given you — physical and spiritual — is an opportunity to love and serve others and glorify God.