

Cornerstone "Direction Days" Initiatives* For Reaching Out to Columbia

We are in various stages of developing a series of initiatives* to take the love of Jesus to our surrounding neighborhoods, and to Columbia.

Some of these are quite far along (motorcycle ministry) and others are in the prayer-and-formulation stages (summer 'camp'). We (Pastor Les and the "point" people) have agreed that we'll take each stage of the development of these initiatives to the Lord in prayer. Some of these are ready now, or very close, to doing (Providing "Loaves & Fishes" meals), while others will take some time to get going (joining with other churches in ministry).

"Point" people have volunteered to be the "point" of contact for their initiative, to gather those interested together, begin to develop what to do, how, etc., and be sure to "point" us to Jesus in prayer. **To be part of any of these initiatives, make direct contact with the point person, or call or email the church and leave your name and number and which initiative you are interested in.**

Initiatives*

- **Sharing Cornerstone**.....**Rhonda Hough**
Idea: Open our land to others w/dog walking, trail, outside worship, etc.
- **"Triumphant Thunder" motorcycle ministry**.....**Kevin Oeth**
Idea: Offer a church-type ministry to unchurched motorcycle riders, family and friends
- **Summer "camp"**.....**Debbie Karwoski & Bonnie Caldwell**
Idea: Provide 'backyard Bible club'-type experience over a summer in a certain location; some are feeling drawn to the Chris Drive area off Old Plank Road.
- **Fix meals at Loaves & Fishes**.....**Debbie Karwoski**
Idea: Provide meals (including funds and resources, shopping, preparation, etc.) for this downtown benevolent ministry
- **"Jacob's Touch" NICU ministry**.....**Barb Oeth**
Idea: Provide clothing and support to patients, parents and staff of Neonatanal (Premie babies) Intensive Care Unit at Columbia Regional Hospital
- **"Helping the Helpers"**.....**Jeanette Oxford**
Idea: Offer help to area firefighters, police, schools, etc., by offering meals, fellowship, a place apart, comfort, counsel, etc.,
- **Join with area churches for fellowship and/or ministry**.....**Les Cassil**
Idea: Collaborate with area churches, especially pastors to promote cooperation in fellowship and ministry between and by area Christian churches
- **Single mother's ministry**.....**Dale Adams & Carmen Howard**
Idea: Provide ministry to single mothers for things where they have most need – basics like home & car maintenance, repairs, childcare, etc.

Initiative Priorities, Scripture

First priority: Lift up the name of Jesus, share Him – glorify the name of the Father.

Second priority: Minister to the touch points of people's needs with the love, power and provision of Jesus.

Third priority: Share Cornerstone fellowship to those God gives us the honor and privilege to minister with.

Matthew 10:32 "Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven."

Remember this assurance I received from the Lord: As we go out, He will bring others in. So, let's not be embarrassed of Jesus or of Cornerstone or to go to those in need – others need us to go to them. "Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven."

*From 9-14-08 church direction-seeking and meeting of "point" people