Where will **YOU** spend eternity?



God loves you and created you to know Him personally. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." *John 3:16* God's Plan: "This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent." *John 17:3*



Man is sinful and separated from God, so we cannot know Him personally or experience His love. "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," *Romans 3:23* "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." *Romans 6:23*



Jesus Christ is God's ONLY provision for man's sin. Through Him alone you can know God personally and experience God's love. He died in our place: "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." *Romans 5:8*He is the only way to God: "Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me." *John 14:6*



You must individually repent and receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord; then you can know God personally and experience His love. You must receive Christ: "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, *even* to those who believe in His name," *John 1:12* "The Lord is not slow about His promise... not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance." *2 Peter 3:9* We receive Christ through faith: "For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God." *Ephesians 2:8*

"Showers of Blessings" Primetimers will meet Tuesday, April 18th for a potluck dinner followed by Mike and Wendy Westcomb sharing their past mission trip blessings. Coffee & punch at 5:30/Dinner at 6 pm. Please bring a dish to share and come ready to be showered with blessings! An offering basket will be available to contribute to the 2017 Guatemala Mission trip.





FEEDING HUNGRY CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD - Our One-Meal Packing event is Sat., April 29, 10 am at the Monroe Middle School new gym. Anyone can help pack ~ sign-up at the Welcome Center! See April Newsletter for details.

The last <u>Awana Store</u> is Wednesday, April 19th. If you would like to donate items for the store, especially items for boys, please bring your items to the church and label them for Awana Store.



We will be hosting <u>Pathways Training</u> again April 24th and 25th. Housing needs for our attending Pastors have been met. Praise God! We still need a person or two to make and serve lunch on both of those days. Lunch is usually served around noon. We are happy to reimburse you for any money spent on groceries to provide these meals. If you are able to provide a portion of the meal that will work too! Please contact the office or Penny Ferreri at 426-1711 to volunteer.

<u>Play Ball!</u> Sign-up for <u>2017 church league softball!</u> Games begin in June.



<u>Primetimers</u> lunch at Pizza Hut – Friday, April 21st at 11:15 am.



<u>Parents of 2017 Graduates</u> — The office would like 2017 graduation information. Please submit your child's information to the office as soon as possible. Deadline to be included in the May newsletter has been extended to Tuesday, April 18th.

The <u>Awana Closing Program</u> is Wednesday, April 26th at 6:15 pm. Please consider bringing a snack/finger food treat to share at fellowship time following the program. Items may be labeled and left in the kitchen prior to that evening.

Who: **Mission Monroe** - Habitat for Humanity What: Build new areas for displaying doors, etc. Where: Habitat Resale Store, 1001 30th St., Monroe



When: Saturday, April 22 ~ 8:45 am ~ 3 pm

Lunch is provided and RSVP is requested to Carol Larson, 608-558-1475

Sign-up is available at the Welcome Center.

The valuable impact of the National Day of Prayer Breakfast can be seen through the comments of honored quests:

"This wonderful community event creates meaningful impact both personally and professionally."

"I feel this is an important event for Green County"

"It is both humbling and uplifting to hear a young person pray for you. The National Day of Prayer Breakfast is a great way to start your day!

"I was touched by the student's kind words and thoughts and to take the time to write that prayer really impressed me."

National Day of Prayer Breakfast, Thursday May 4th, Volunteers, especially youth pray-ers, are still needed to impact our community for Christ.

Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Prayer Topic

EASTER: All of our attitudes, decisions, and actions reflect, "He is risen indeed!"