

Moore Activity Center

Meeting Needs – Sharing Christ

Everything Looks Different – But the Purpose Is the Same

When all of the craziness began back in March, I was honestly questioning how in the world would we continue ministry during this time. Everything we do at the MAC is about touching the lives of the people we reach out to, but we were told that touch may have consequences. As the doors to the facility had to close, I began to pray and ask God what we could do to continue to Meet Needs and Share Christ in our community.

Immediately, we knew that missing out on reaching our children and youth on a weekly basis would be a big deal. To make sure that didn't happen, we began creating packets to deliver to the houses of our families that we had addresses for. When you receive this report, we will have delivered our 17th week of packets to 40 families, which consist of 90 children and youth and over 200 total people in the households. The packets include: a lesson with various activities, crafts, goodie bags and different levels of groceries. I have to admit that when I started this effort, I didn't like this new way of ministry. However, God opened my eyes to the fact that weekly I was going to 40 homes to share His love. I was also blessed that either my husband and/or my son was helping with this ministry and we considered it our weekly date 😊. One of the dad's said to me a couple weeks ago, "Mrs. Amy, I am just amazed that you just keep coming back every week." We reach the children and youth on a weekly basis throughout the year, but now the whole family is experiencing this in a personal way – I love it!

As we were moving from the school year programs and into the summer programs, I again found myself questioning what should happen. Usually we take a short break between programs, but we have continued the packet delivery because I knew they were helpful during these different and difficult times. Simply Dinner was another big thing that I knew was needed in the community, but there was no way it could look the same as previous years. This year we are preparing meals and placing them in to-go containers for the people to come by and pick up to take home. Tonight (July 7th) we will be providing our sixth meal. Each week we have provided between 100-120 meals for the community. Thanks goes out to the churches that have helped provide for these meals. We are also able to provide other items (groceries, hygiene items, etc.) when they are made available to us.

Back to School Day is still going to happen – because it is still needed – but it will also have to operate differently. We will not be able to utilize our usual large number of volunteers to help with this ministry, but we will still need some help (contact me ASAP if you are interested). We are looking to spread this out over the course of a week or so to make appointments for the families to come in and receive supplies. If you want to help collect items contact me (at 859-261-2300) so I can let you know our needs.

Many of you have asked about our Annual Fundraiser. We still want have this event, but we cannot even estimate when it will be held until we see what happens with everything going on. We will get the word out as soon as we know. Some of you have sent donations to help during these times and we thank you very much. Our God is an Amazing God and He continues to provide.

Please keep us in your prayers. You are loved and appreciated.

Blessings, Amy Wilhelmus