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# Salem Happenings

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**Welcome** ... We are glad you have chosen to join us for worship today. Please take a moment during your visit to complete a Communication Card found on the tables at the back of the gym. If you have any questions, stop by the Welcome Center, contact us at [info@salemchurch.org](mailto:info@salemchurch.org) or 937-836-6500. We look forward to getting to know you better as we support and encourage each other in our spiritual journeys!

**Curious how to get connected?**

- There are many ways to receive info from Salem...
- Email [info@salemchurch.org](mailto:info@salemchurch.org) to receive our weekly e-newsletter.
  - Check out our website at [www.SalemChurch.org](http://www.SalemChurch.org).
  - Pick up a Salem Connection located in the info racks.



July 6, 2012

**MOVE OUT**

*Begins next week!*

July 9-14

MOVE OUT 2012 is a local outreach trip. Breiel Church, River Hills Church and Salem Church of God are coming together for a week of loving people in the Dayton area. We will serve Monday through Friday, July 9-13 and celebrate Saturday, July 14 at the Salem Summer Bash. Want to be involved? Contact Wes Duff at [w.duff@salemchurch.org](mailto:w.duff@salemchurch.org)

**Giving:**

Weekly Need: \$34,815

Offering 7/1/12:  
\$29,185.41

**Community Table  
School Fair School  
Supplies Needed**

The 6th annual Northmont Back to School Fair will be held Sunday August 12th, and we need your help! This event served over 525 students last year with all the supplies for their classes, and we expect to serve similar numbers this year. We need lots of supplies! Lists are available in the lobby. We are also in need of children's books

**Not A Sermon, Just A Thought From Pastor Moss**

Robert Louis Stevenson once remarked that "it's a difficult business to show the world a smiling face when we carry in our breast a broken heart."

Unfortunately, there are those who walk among the church family who possess a broken heart but do not reveal it to others. Why? There are a variety of reasons. Among them is the reality that it sometimes does not feel "safe" for people to reveal their pain, even to those within the church.

On Sunday we will look at the second of the beatitudes,

**"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted" Matthew 5:4 (NIV).**

Many people feel like this verse is confusing and doesn't make sense. How can our mourning be the key to happiness, or a sense of well-being? Join us for worship this Sunday as we unpack vital truths about mourning in the new series called **SECRETS**.

See you Sunday!  
Pastor Moss



**Salem Summer Bash**  
A free fun family day at Salem Church of God  
**Saturday, July 14, Noon-5**

**Salem Summer Bash at Salem is next Saturday, July 14**

On Saturday, July 14, Salem will be hosting the Salem Summer Bash! Included in this day the men's ministry will be hosting their 4th annual car show, food by the Salem softball team, a bake sale by the women's circle groups, and Ullery's Homemade Ice Cream. The student ministry will be sponsoring a softball tournament, and a 3-on-3 basketball tournament. The children's ministry will have games and inflatables. Admission is FREE. **Invite a friend and enjoy a day of activities, great food, and lots of fun!**

**Upcoming Classes and Events .....**

**Discipleship Mentoring**-Which of these describes you: You show up at church every Sunday, or you are a real disciple of Christ? There's a big difference! Consider becoming a disciple of Christ. You'll (a) learn what Christ taught, (b) understand those teachings with the help of a personal mentor so you can internalize those teachings, and (c) learn how to lead others to follow Christ as well. Contact Sylvia Miller at [sylviamiller@woh.rr.com](mailto:sylviamiller@woh.rr.com) or at 937-671-5267 for details.

**Trailblazers Catered Luncheon & Program**

Thursday, July 12, 12 Noon - Salem Gathering Place-Have you considered coming to a

(appropriate for children in grades 7-12). Please place your donations in the large bins beside the desk, or in the collection center. We will also need volunteers on Aug 11, setting up, and on August 12 helping children choose their supplies. Questions, contact Debbie Stahl @ 832-8024 ortstahl1@woh.rr.com or Mary Wright @ 902-3656 ordforrestranger@msn.com

### Gal Pals

Gal Pals is a group of women who are divorced, widowed or never married who meet once a month to share a meal and friendship. We invite you to join us! Next meetings will be July 8 and August 12 at Rob's Restaurant in Brookville for lunch. Contact info@salemchurch.org or 937-836-6500.

### Sewing Ministry Updates

The sewing classes scheduled for July 11-August 8 have been cancelled. Watch for announcements of the rescheduled classes.

The Hugs Project will not meet July 14 due to the Salem Summer Bash. Next meeting: August 11.

### Check it out!

#### [SalemChurch.org](http://SalemChurch.org)

Click on the "get connected" tab and scroll through the different areas. Listen online to teachings, submit a prayer request and more! There is a place for you!

Trailblazer luncheon? We'd sure like to see you! This luncheon will be catered by Rob's-entree will be their famous chicken almonidine. Cost is \$7 per person, payable at the door. Reservations are not necessary. The program will feature Carolyn Dean leading us in *Name That Tune*. Come prepared to share testimonies and stories. Enter Door 3. For more info, contact Herm at 832-6348.

### Student Union Pizza and Bowling

**Sunday, July 15, 5:30 p.m., Marion's Pizza, Englewood-Salem's College and Career Sunday School Group will meet for fun and fellowship!** For more info/questions, contact Jason Bowman at (937)248-5974 or [salemcollegecareer@gmail.com](mailto:salemcollegecareer@gmail.com).

### Fundraiser to Assist Robin & Faith Jelle - Minister to the Navajos

Perkins coupons will be available today, Sunday, July 8 for use on Monday, July 9 for any meal. Look for Salem members, with a Perkins Badge. The Salem Team is going to Arizona to work on the inside of the Bunk House and further relationships with the Navajos Sept 9-15, 2012. The team appreciates your prayers as more people are needed for this trip. Contact Jeanie Rarick at [rarickgj@gmail.com](mailto:rarickgj@gmail.com)

### VBS 2012

VBS is almost here!! We are in need of these donated snack items: fruit snacks, pop ice (popsicles), and juice boxes. We are expecting over 100 kids this year, so we will need plenty of each item. You can donate the snacks anytime now through the week of Bible school (August 6-10). Thanks for your support!

### Basketball legend Jerry Lucas at Salem Church of God

Basketball Hall of Famer Jerry Lucas, who starred at Ohio State University and then in the National Basketball Association, will be guest speaker at Salem Church of God on Sunday, July 29 at the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship services. He also will be speaking at 7 p.m. on Sunday, July 29 and at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 30. The community is invited to attend all of the events. Lucas will speak on "Improving Family Relationships" and teach his world-renown learning system so that those in attendance will be able to remember his entire message. He will speak about "Family Learning Made Fun and Easy" on Sunday evening, then on "Names and Faces Made Easy" on Monday evening. Everyone is welcome to attend one, two or all three sessions. No registration is needed. A freewill offering will be taken at each session to support Jerry Lucas' work. Invite a friend and join us!

### Refresh...Renew...RestROOM!

As you read this update, the final pieces of old flooring will have been removed, signaling finally, the END of the "demolition" phase for our four main restrooms near the Lobby Atrium. While that work has been nearing completion, other teams have been working on "restoration." Plumbing has been repaired, new drywall has been installed, and our new counters are being built. Wow, what a team of amazing volunteers we have at Salem, giving many, many hours that would otherwise translate to extremely high labor costs (which would have narrowed our project scope significantly.)



We are 1/3 of the way through our summer project already! As we continue to spend our funds wisely (and we are pinching every penny!), please remember to remain faithful financially to the project, even if you must be out of town. Many have given in advance, and some have committed to give over a longer period of time. Others have made a pledge, but have not yet had the chance to give. We DO need to continue to receive the funds we have budgeted for, so if you may be traveling or have not yet given, please consider using our online giving, or mailing your contribution to the church. Not only are our volunteer laborers vital to this initiative, but EVERYONE who considers Salem Church "their" church has a great opportunity to be involved by *funding* this project. Everyone counts!

Thank you, Salem Church. The best is yet to come!  
-Pastor David Boots

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**UPDATE: Monday morning at 9 a.m. we need all hands on deck to pre-clean the Worship Center. Have a favorite duster? Bring it with you! We will be cleaning to prepare for the new carpet to be installed. If you are only able to work evenings, please call the church office Monday afternoon for an update.**



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If you have a medical emergency and need to contact a staff person after office hours please call 937-474-9753.

