



For our **Christmas** in July shoebox event, there will be a BIG Operation Christmas Child box in the Normalville side foyer during the whole month of July. Our goal is to fill the box with items for the shoeboxes. You can help fill the box by donating items for our Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.

#### Do not include...

\*candy, chocolate or food
\*toothpaste
\*used or damaged items
\*war related items, such as toy guns, knives or military figures
\*seeds
\*liquids or lotions
\*medications or vitamins
\*breakable items, such as snow globes or glass containers
\*aerosol cans

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#### PLEASE NOTE:

There are lots of ideas as to what you can include on another page in this newsletter!!





### Wednesday, July 13 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Indian Head Church of God Community Luncheon Ministry will be offering

**FREE HOMEMADE SOUP** by <u>drive thru only</u>, while supplies last. Soup will be packaged cold in containers and distributed here in the church parking lot. This event is held the second Wednesday of every month. If you would like to help, contact Bonnie Kimmel or Amy Grimm. <u>Everyone is welcome</u> to come and get some soup!



There will be NO Saturday evening worship services during the month of July!



Save the date... Saturday September 24, 2022

Benefits Camp Sonrise Mountain

Kings Mountain Golf Course Rockwood, PA



There will be Holy Communion at all worship services on Sunday, July 3. Those on the live stream may wish to use food items from home (crackers, bread, juice, water) to join in on the Communion.



The following were Baptized on Sunday, June 12...

Aiden David Dull Katelyn Mae Bennett



Congratulations to Seth and Madison (Baird) Bruner who were united in marriage on Saturday, June 4.



We extend our most heartfelt and deepest sympathy to the following families...

For the family of Robert Pritts, brother-in-law of Bertie Pritts, son of the late Corinne Purbaugh and brother of the late Clifford Pritts.

For the family of Evelyn Jean Naugle, mother of Rich (Tammy) Naugle, Donnie (Tammy) Naugle, Connie (Robert, Jr) Hart, Jean (Martin) Miller, Janice (Darell) Hoffer, Marjorie (Douglas) Gesso.

"Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way." 2 Thessalonians 3:16



Notes from the Ad Council meeting on June 20...

\*We will not be having Saturday evening worship services during the month of July.

\*We are still in need of a Social Room custodian.

\*Vinyl floor mats will be purchased for the van.

\**Back to Church Sunday* will be celebrated in September and the theme will be "Hope Happens Here". \*VBS is July 10-14.

\*Doug and Anna-Karin Molgaard is leaving the mission field at the present time..



Dates for 2022 Church Camp at Camp Sonrise Mountain

<u>July 3-8</u> Week 4, Primary Camp Campers entering grades 4 & 5

<u>July 15-17</u> Week 5, Beginners Camp Campers entering grades 3 & 4

If your child is going to church camp this summer, please let us know in the church office after they have registered and what week they will be attending, so we can add their name to our campers list. If you have any questions, call the church office.



If you would like access, please send your email address to the church office... ihcog@lhtot.com



To our church family,

We would like to thank the church and everyone for your prayers and the beautiful plant you sent in memory of our mother, Evelyn Naugle. Your expressions of sympathy will always be remembered and appreciated. Sincerely.

The Naugle family



#### In dealing with Covid:

\*Bible and Hymnals have now been placed back into the pews.

\* *It's up* to each individual if you want to wear a mask or not. If you still would like to wear a mask and don't have one, they are available in the foyers.

\* Hand sanitizer is still available if needed, in the foyers and in the pews.

\* An offering box is placed in the back of the church, as the ushers will not be passing the plates for the offering.

\* There is no Wee Worshipers or Junior Church during the 11:00 worship service until further notice.

\* All of the Sunday School classes are now back in session.

\* There are Sunday worship bulletins available each week and you can pick one up from the podium as you enter the Sanctuary.



#### Please note:

The <u>Give Plus app</u> for our online giving has changed its name to <u>VANCO</u>. Current users need to know it is no longer through Give Plus app on their phone but through the Vanco Mobile app.

We have three options available for your convenience.

- 1. <u>Text</u> your donation to: 888-788-2914
- 2. Give <u>online via our webpage</u> and follow the link.
- 3. Donate through the <u>Vanco app</u> on your phone.

Thank you to all who are supporting the church through these difficult times with your generous donations.

Donations can also be mailed to the church office at:

Indian Head Church of God PO Box 488 Indian Head PA 15446



## Not Traditions & Worldly Principles -by Pastor Douglas Nolt

Have you noticed how unreasonable society is today when it comes to so many things, and especially spiritual things? Captain Scott O'Grady, a pilot shot down over Bosnia, gave credit to "my love for God and His love for me" for his rescue. While appearing on a news talk show, O'Grady said he prayed almost the entire time. The interviewer asked him if he blamed God for being shot down, and he emphatically said 'no'.

So many people see God as the Santa Claus of heaven. If you have faith in him everything will go perfect - and if it doesn't then "Santa Claus" didn't deliver on his end of the bargain and is to blame. Does that make sense? No!

The topic of conversation on the radio one day was, "Why is religion necessary?" There were a variety of calls and responses... many of them Christian in scope. But one of the responses was that all religions of the world are working toward the same thing - so all of them ought to get along with each other.

While many think that this sounds good, why is it then that the Christians are the ones called to give up their unique practices and beliefs? Or they are many times expected to wash down their theology to make Jesus Christ not <u>THE WAY</u> to God but instead <u>A Way</u>. Does that make sense? No!

This very same issue which we face today when dealing with the concern of religious faith in our society, the Apostle Paul faced in his day too. For many, today is an era for a new age of religion in our world. But a closer look at Paul's letter to the Colossians shows us that it is the same old story!

"See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ." (Colossians 2:8)

How do we know if its hollow and deceptive? It will depend on human tradition which is the rules and regulations (dos and don'ts) of a group or society. And it will depend on the basic principles of the world which actually places more emphasis on the endearment of those things which are "created" than the worship of the Creator.

So upon what are our philosophy, our traditions, our practices and our principles as Christians to be based? On Christ!

Our salvation comes not from the things of creation. It does not come by what you do or don't do - the holiday's you observe, the sacrifices you make. You have been set free from all of the ways of the world - most prominent of them is sin. And Christ has set you free when you believed, and confessed him as your Lord and Savior.

Jesus said, "So, if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." (John 8:36).





## **ITEMS NEEDED FOR VBS**



There is an easel and board set up in the Normalville side foyer, with the items that we are in need of for VBS. We are asking that you would prayerfully consider taking a post-it note and purchasing the items on the post-it.

All items will be needed back at the church by <u>Tuesday, July 5</u>, with the post-it attached to the item.

## ALL ABOARD EVERYONE!!!

Our adventure on the Rocky Railway is about to begin on July 10th. As we get closer to taking the kids on a train ride of a life time, we are asking for your help as we set out on our journey of learning how to let the power of Jesus pull us all through the struggles of this life.

We are asking that you keep us all lifted in prayer as we minister to the children that will be attending our in-person VBS, July 10-14.

- Pray that God's power will be seen by everyone during the week of VBS and beyond.
- Pray for God's leading in your life that he may be calling you to be a valuable part of our VBS team. We will appreciate any time you are willing to give one night, the whole week, or anything in between. We are in need of Crew Leaders to help get the children from one station to the other and to get to know them along the way.
- Pray for any children in your life that would love to be a part of our VBS.
- There are registration forms available at the church in the Normalville side foyer. There is also a registration form on the last page of this newsletter.

Thank you all, the congregation of the Indian Head Church of God, for your support, prayers, and willingness to help with the ride on the Rocky Railway this year! The children thank you in advance for helping with this life changing experience.

God bless and keep you! The VBS Team



## **Ideas for the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

Crayons **Coloring books** Flip flops **T-shirts** Ball Bar soap **Bracelets** Bandana Pencils & pens Pencil sharpener Craft duct tape Travel size games – Checkers, etc Deck of cards Hacky sack Harmonica Yo-Yo Hat Glue sticks Scissors Small stuffed animal Pom poms Glitter Small crafting kit **Post-It notes** Highlighters Small notebook Chalk Watercolor paint sets Plav-Doh Small Etch-a-Sketch Socks **Backpack Plastic cup** Straws Scarf Jump rope Glow sticks **Batteries** Matchbox cars **Finder puppets** Silly Putty Balloons Toothbrush (not toothpaste) Washcloth Wet wipes Travel pack of tissues Chapstick Hair ties **Band-Aids** Hair brush

# For Older Boys:

Tools – hammer, screwdriver, wrench or pliers, duct tape, measuring tape Fishing supplies – add in a small fishing kit, fishing line, hooks Binoculars Kaleidoscope Plastic Magnifying Glass Watch Handkerchief Collapsible water bottle Harmonica

## For Older Girls:

<u>Small sewing kit</u> <u>Clip on earrings</u> <u>Bracelets</u> <u>Barrettes</u> <u>Coin purse</u> <u>Sticky notes</u> <u>Watercolor paint set</u> <u>Yarn</u> <u>Colored Sharpies, highlighters, or markers</u> <u>A friendship bracelet with extra string so</u> <u>they can make more</u> <u>Ink pad and stamp set</u> <u>Bath sponge</u>



# JESUS' POWER PULLS US THROUGH **Vacation Bible School** Indian Head Church of God (691 Indian Creek Valley Rd.) July 10 - 14, 2022 (Sunday thru Thursday) 6:00-8:30 p.m. NLL ABOARD Ages 3 yrs. thru 5th Grade For information call 724-455-2626



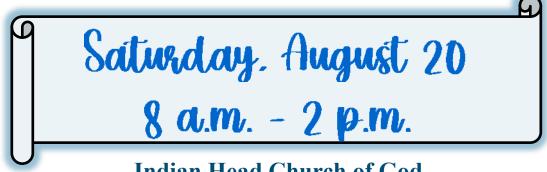
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# **Family Boutique**





# Indian Head Church of God



**YARD SALE INFORMATION:** We will be collecting items for the church table on Saturday and Sunday, <u>August 13 and August 14</u> <u>ONLY</u>. Table spaces will be \$10 and an extra \$5 if you want us to supply a table. Money is to be paid at time of reservation. Contact Terri Legas to reserve a space and table, 724-455-7456 or 724-787-7328.



**FAMILY BOUTIQUE INFORMATION:** We will be having the Family Boutique this year during the church's yard sale on August 20, with additional days for the Family Boutique on Monday August 22 and Tuesday, August 23. <u>We will collect clothes August 13-17 ONLY</u>. Please be sure the clothes donated are stain free and do not need mending. We will need many volunteers to hang clothes throughout the week.