



NEWS FROM THE FRONT LINES

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Issue One

ANNIVERSARY FOREWARD

Greetings in the name of Christ Jesus!

It amazes me that this ministry is approaching its two year anniversary. I've been humbled to see the great things God is able to do in Central Missouri through his people.

Two pages are hardly enough to explain the way God has changed lives through this work. If you ever want to know more, you're welcome to contact me at any time or look at our website www.FACMM.org.

God bless you and thank you for your support!

-Rev. Jon-Michael Schweigert



HIGHLIGHTS

Christmas of 2016 the students of the Lutheran Student Center showed their love for the people around them by giving shoeboxes full of toys to underprivileged children in Knob Noster.

We made use of Thrivent grants to buy toys, partnered with Brown's Shoe Store of Warrensburg for shoeboxes, and spent hours packing and delivering each one.

Some of these children would have had nothing. Now they have Biblical coloring pages, toys, and a certainty that Jesus loves them.

Pictures are available on the UCM Lutheran Student Center Facebook page.

QUICK TWO YEAR RECAP

- 2 Weddings being planned
- 5 Baptisms
- 7 New Members at Faith:
- 17 New routine Visitors at Faith
- 30 Students growing in faith at UCM Lutheran Student Center
- 30+ Community clothing/food giving events
- 60 Christmas presents given to underprivileged children
- 125+ Whiteman 'Stealth Lounge' Airmen Served

THE FUTURE

- Stop by our Military Appreciation Booth during the Knob Noster Fair Week (June 8-10th) for an Armed Services Devotional book and a sno cone!
- Faith Lutheran's Vacation Bible School is August 7-9th. Contact us if you'd like to register!
- Pastor Schweigert has been working with Pastor Perling (Faith Lutheran of St. Roberts MO) to develop a presentation on how congregations can better reach out to the members and family of those serving in the military. Look forward to that presentation at Concordia Seminary's Mission Summit on Saturday June 3rd. Registration is still open.
- Faith Lutheran is beginning a new depression care group soon. It is not good that man should be alone, especially when times are tough. We meet together as a group to support one another and rediscover what it means to have people there for you with no strings attached or judgment levied. We've been there; we get it. If you feel like life has lost its joy, or that you're alone in your pain, know that we are here for you! Please contact us if you'd like to become a part of this group so that we can reach Higher Ground together!

HOW TO HELP

We exist because the Lutherans of Central Missouri realized "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few" (Matthew 9:37) and through prayer and hard work our ministry was created.

It is through supporting this ministry that you can follow through on Jesus' instruction to witness about him to the ends of the Earth (Acts 1:8). This is not just "our" ministry, it's **your** ministry!

You can support us by:

Sending independent donations

We have provided many churches with donation envelopes, checks are to be made out to Faith Lutheran Church with "Faith and Campus Mission Ministry" in the memo line. Our mailing address is at the bottom of this page.

Adding us to your church's mission budget

Ensure the future of our proclamation of the Gospel by having us added to your church's mission budget. This can be done by speaking to your pastor, your elders, or your mission board.

Host a "Faith and Campus Mission Ministry" fundraising event

Opportunities abound! You know best how to raise funds in your community. We'd be happy to come to a BBQ, spaghetti dinner, or a fish fry and speak to whomever will listen. Pastor Schweigert is also available to come to your congregation on a Sunday morning to give a sermon and speak about how you can proclaim Christ to all nations.

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