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Come to Know.....

Come to Love.....

Come to Serve.....

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Items needed for the Food Pantry at Edon

Rice (1 lb. bags) , Dessert mixes- cake, etc., Canned Fruit, Tuna (canned)

Buper Sowl Party

We're having a Buper Sowl Party Sunday, February 2, 2020! We will be starting at 6:00 pm, and we will be watching the big game, and for those who are not interested in the game, there will be card/board games going on as well! We would like to ask that guys bring drinks and that girls bring a snack, or if you have a particular food item you would like to bring, we would love for you to bring that! This will be a fun night for us to [enjoy](#) community here at Columbia Church of Christ!

Ground Hog Breakfast

On Saturday morning, February 1st, we will be having a pancake & sausage meal from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. everyone is welcome! Please invite your family, friends and neighbors to come and share with us. It is open to the whole community.

If you can help with this meal please let the outreach team know: Charlie Stomm, Greg Vogel, Milan Towers, Annette Chapin, Sharlie Stomm or Deloyd Kemarky. Help will be needed...

WCS Meeting

Our WCS Meeting will Thursday, February 13th. Hostesses, for this meeting are Connie Allomong and Morgan Jones. Devotions will be given by Connie Towers. Our project for this meeting will be our Heart Sunday Meal. All Ladies are invited to attend.

Heart Sunday

We will be having a pot-luck meal after our worship service on **February 9th (For Valentine's Day)**. We encourage you to invite someone new to come and get to know us as we share a meal together. Everyone is invited!

Brazil Trip

We have been able to lock in reservations for the round trip prices for the trip. The price is based on 10 people going. The cost per person is \$872.80. We will need a \$100.00 refundable deposit by February 14th for anyone thinking they are interested in going. This deposit is fully refundable until July 17th. The rest of this total is due by September 17th. To see flight itinerary see Jan Hauenstein. The trip will be from the 19th of October and returning home on the 30th of October. You will need to get a passport to go unless you already have one that is up to date. The cost for the trip that you need to take along is \$1,500.00. This helps pay for the fuel, food, housekeeping on the boat, and for the crew. It is a very rewarding trip. Get in touch with Jan Hauenstein as soon as possible if you are interested in going.

Jesus Loves Me This I Know

- Jeremy S. Jones

Valentine's Day is fast approaching and as they say love is in the air. The stores are filled with giant stuffed bears and candies to tell that special someone just how special they are to you. Everyone wants to feel special, to know they are loved. So, the question arises, how special are you to God? Have you ever stopped and wondered, "Does God really love me?" We sing "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so...." And yet, how many times do we still wonder, "Does God really love me?" What if I told you, that yes, He does love you!! And you can know for sure for He says it. Not only does He say it in a non-direct way with Scriptures like

John 3:16 *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."*

and

Romans 5:6 – 10 *"For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life."*

But He says directly too. You may be like what, God directly says "I love you" in the Bible. Yes, He does. Turn to **Isaiah 43**. Here God is speaking through the Prophet Isaiah to the Israelite people. He (Isaiah) is assuring them that He (God) is keeping His promise of sending the Messiah. All throughout this chapter God is reminding the people who He is and who they are. The "BEST" part comes in verse 4,

"Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life."

Did you catch it? Go back and read it again.... In that verse God says, "I love you." There could be no greater words to hear, than the God of the Universe saying, "I love you." He goes on to tell of His glorious love for Israel and with the coming of Jesus the world. I would encourage to mark that verse and read the entire chapter, marking other passages where God speaks to you. So, we see God really does love us. The next time, you question does God really love me, go back to this verse and say, "Yes, yes, He does for He says so."