



The SaltShaker

September 2013

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt has lost its savour, Wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Matthew 5:15

Cardboard Box City

Fundraiser for Family Promise

Saturday, September 28, 2013

West Florence High School

Registration 4:30

Cost - \$20 per resident

**Sleep in a box for 1 night
for those that sleep in a
box EVERY night!!**

Family Promise Florence is in the development stages of our network of churches that will work together to help children and their families that are homeless.

The Cardboard Box City (CBC) event is designed to help raise awareness about the increasing problem of homelessness in our community and to help raise funds for Family Promise to. Statistically children make up one out of every four homeless persons.



Cardboard Box City is open to people of all ages and affiliation. Youth groups, service clubs, school groups and families are encourage to use this event as a learning and team-building experiences. Chaperones must accompany youth groups

-(1 adult per 5 youth), age 7th-12th grade. Students 6th grade and younger must be accompanied by a parent.

Each participant should secure their own "box" that they will sleep in. Participants are encouraged to ask individuals and businesses to "sponsor" them and then include their logo in decorating their box - their home for the evening. Boxes can be decorated before the event and broken down to transport to West Florence. Or you can bring your supplies to decorate your home once you get to the event. Helpful items might include duct tape, tarps, etc.

Supper will be provided to all participants through our CBC soup kitchen. Just as the homeless do we will cope with the weather we are given, unless there is a safety risk. Bring rain gear if it looks like rain. Also bring a sleeping bag, pillow, flashlight, tarp, and warm clothes if needed.

If your health prevents you from spending the night you can still participate in the event by being a "virtual resident" by registering and participating in the event until 10 pm Saturday night. The CBC will conclude Sunday morning by 7 am so participants will have time to get to their normal church service.

FBA WorldCrafts Party

Sunday, September 8 at 3 pm

Calvary Baptist Florence

Collins Family Life Center

This party is sponsored by the FBA Human Trafficking Task Force. The mission of WorldCrafts is to bring hope to impoverished people around the world. They import handmade crafts made by artisans living on nearly every continent – **many** of which are survivors of sex trafficking or human trafficking. This is one way we can make a difference for these victims.

Catalogs and order forms are available NOW at the FBA office. If you can't attend the party you can place your order early. You may preview the catalog at www.worldcrafts.org. Questions – call Louanne.



Florence, SC

Help 4 Kids Florence

Help 4 Kids Florence is a nonprofit organization that feeds elementary school age children in need in the Florence School District One area. They provide food for children on the weekends during the school-year.

There are a high number of elementary school children in Florence that depend on school meals as their primary source of nourishment. Unfortunately, this means that many of them will be hungry on the weekend when food is not available. Children that qualify for the program are at risk of having little to no food available during these times. Help 4 Kids has a direct approach to this by providing bags of single, self-serving, nutritional foods to the children reducing their weekend food insecurity. Help 4 Kids can provide these bags of food each weekend for \$100 for the entire school year.

Hunger doesn't take the weekend off. **YOU** can make a difference to children who go home from school on Friday with no food for the weekend.

- Monetary donations
Adopt a child for just \$100 per year
- Volunteer
- Spread the word
- Donate backpacks
- Donate or hold a food drive for **THESE SINGLE** serve food items
 - Ramen noodles
 - Applesauce cup
 - Pudding cup
 - Fruit cups
 - Juice boxes
 - Pop tarts
 - Jell-O cups
 - Mac 'n cheese cup
 - Pop top can of ravioli
 - Pop top can of spaghetti
 - Pop top can of soup
 - Pop top can of Vienna sausages
 - Pop top can of beanie weenies.

For more info or to sign up to volunteer go to www.help4kidsflorence.org or to the Help 4 Kids Facebook page.

Fair Ministry

October 2 – 12, 2013

This will be our fifth year for ministry with the Eastern Carolina Agricultural Fair. Schedule of events:

1. Chicken Bog "Set Up Day" meal – Tuesday, Oct. 1 5:30 pm – 7 pm
NEEDED - individually wrapped desserts (Ex-slice of cake in a baggie). Bring to the FBA office by noon on Oct. 1 or take directly to the fair by 5 pm.
2. FREE "Yard Sale" – Fri., Oct. 4 at 10 am
NEEDED items – reading glasses (new or used) shampoo, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, Tylenol, Advil, **OVER THE COUNTER** cold medicine (**NOT** the kind you have to sign with the pharmacist to get), blankets, twin sheets, queen sheets, Duffel bags, NEW baseball type caps, 4 or 6 pack of toilet paper OR individually wrapped rolls of TP, paper towels, Kleenex, unscented laundry detergent, Pop Tarts, cereal, "pop-top" foods (ravioli, Vienna sausage, etc.), We will collect these items at the FBA office September 23 - Oct. 3. **DO NOT bring before Sept. 23** because of storage issues in the back room.
3. Sunday, October 6 – Worship and free breakfast
4. FREE HAIR CUTS and reading glasses Monday, October 7 and Tuesday, October 8 from 10 am – noon. We will also offer to paint fingernails and offer skin care
NEEDED – barbers and beauticians that can cut hair. New or gently used reading glasses.
5. Children's Ministry - Monday, October 7 and Tuesday, October 8 from 10 am until noon.
6. Family Pictures–Tues, Oct 8th; 10 am- noon
7. "Snack Sacks" Saturday, October 12
Churches will be contacted to help provide certain items for these snacks.

NEEDED – volunteers to go to the fair around 1:00 am to help deliver the snacks. Need some "night owls" for this!

If you would like to help with any of the above activities, please contact Louanne at 662-5921 or FBALouanne@sc.rr.com.

The next fair meeting will be Monday, September 16th at 7 pm at the FBA office.