THE SALTSHAKER

"Let me tell you why you are here. You're here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You've lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage." Matthew 5: 13 The Message

March 2018

LifeChangers 2018

Calvary Baptist Church

Registrations for LifeChangers have been received. Praise the Lord all of our suppers are covered!! We still need lunches for the crews on the work site at 11:30 am each day. Crews are usually 12-15 people. You can feed a crew for a whole week, a few days, or just one dat. Anything will help.



Lunch suggestions:

Sandwiches – ham or turkey (no pimento cheese), hamburgers, hot dogs, corn dogs, Chick-fil-A sandwiches, Sub Sandwiches, chips, fruit –watermelon,

grapes, apples, cookies, Little Debbie's, tea, lemonade, anything COOL!!! Because of the extreme heat we ask that you DO NOT TAKE <u>Pizza, tacos, spaghetti, anything that sets "heavy"</u> because that tends to make the students feel nauseated. It is also best to NOT TAKE carbonated drinks they don't quench their thirst.

If your church/group would like to help provide lunches, please call Louanne at the FBA to sign up 843.662.5921.



The Crayon Initiative was founded in 2014. It is a non-profit that recycles old crayons. The organization's mission is to preserve the environment to provide new crayons with one flat side and no paper on them to hospitalized children. The crayons are easy to clean and won't roll away from the child. The Crayon Initiative has donated more than 20,000 new packs of crayons to pediatric patients in 38 hospitals in 17 different states.

We are collecting used crayons at the FBA. They can be broken or just pieces of crayons. Just put them in a box or zip lock bag and bring to the FBA office by June 30. They do not have to be separated by color or have the paper taken off.

"Welcome Back Packs" for FMU:

Francis Marion Baptist Campus Ministry (BCM) needs your help again this year. They want to give the "Welcome Back Packs" to new students arriving on campus in the fall 2018. This will be the 13th year they have done this and it has proven to be a wonderful way for the BCM students to reach out to other students on campus. It serves as a tool to begin a relationship with students and to invite them to their BCM activities. Don't miss this ministry opportunity!

If you would like to provide packets please put the following items in a quart zip lock bag and bring them to the associational office by **Monday**, **August 6**:

- 1 Pack of crackers
- 1 Pack of Pop tarts
- 1 Microwave popcorn
- 2 mechanical pencils
- 1 Tic Tac or Breath savers
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- 2 packs of gum

Hygiene Items for FSD1 Middle and High Schools

We are collecting hygiene items again for FSD1 Middle and High Schools since this is an ongoing need.

Items needed: deodorant - male and female, toothpaste, dental floss, *feminine napkins*, cough drops, **BELTS** – male and female

Please bring your items to the FBA office by September 1!

Dates to Remember

- Schlotzsky's Spirit Nights for GNC:
 5 8 pm on April 28, May 26, June 23
- Ministry Health Kits Due by June 29
- BLISS Ball Saturday, October 6
- Fair Ministry August 17-25 (NOTE DATE CHANGE!!!) More info as we find out.



There is a real burden on many hearts for our public schools! The news has been full of issues in FSD1 schools. Teachers everywhere constantly talk about how students have lost all respect for authority and that it gets worse every year. Great CHRISTIAN teachers are resigning because of discipline issues thus producing a worse teacher shortage. Our CLC teachers are struggling with discipline issues as well. It seems things are out of control.

Please join me in daily prayer for the schools in our community. We usually do prayerwalks at the beginning of the new school year. Consider organizing one during May for a safe and strong finish to the year in June.

Some years ago FSD1 encouraged churches to partner with schools. In recent years this has fallen by the wayside. If your church was involved with a school partnership I highly encourage you to renew that partnership. There are many ways a church or group can make a difference:

- Contact the principal of the school and ask how your church can pray for them.
- Ask what your church can do to help the school as they close out another school year.
- Offer to have volunteers help teachers move furniture and pack up things for the end of the year.
- Take the staff and teachers a treat for the teacher's lounge.
- Write notes of encouragement to say you are praying for them and place in the teacher's boxes.
- Above all PRAY PRAY PRAY for the teachers and administration because they are missionaries on a mission field!