

CCY *Connect*

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UPCOMING EVENTS October

- 5 Czech Parade/CCY Float
- 5 Christ's Closet
- 12 Survivors Club
- 12 OU vs TX watch party
followed by mini golf
- 13 Potluck Dinner
- 26 Parking Lot Stripe Painting
- 30 Trunk or Treat
- 30 Chili Cook-off



October 30th @ 6:00 pm

CHANGING seasons

WRITTEN BY DAVID RUEDY

Summer has come to an end and most of us welcome the change to Fall. Cool, crisp mornings and vibrant fall colors are a welcome transition from the heat of Summer.

Change in our lives is natural and unavoidable, yet change is something that most would say they don't like or embrace. Change happens to us and all around us at home, work, church, with friends and family. For many, change is something we tend to fear and become anxious about because we do not feel in control of lives.

One thing that we know for sure, is that God never changes. The Bible teaches us that God is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. The good news about change is that God has a plan for your life. If we trust in God and allow change to grow us to become more like Jesus Christ in how we respond and act, then we are promised that all things will work together for good for those who love Him and keep His commandments!

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens". Jeremiah 29:11 tells us "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future". Change in our lives is as natural as the changing of the seasons and God's word says we should not fear it, but embrace it and seek God's will through it all.

No matter what season of change you are experiencing, rest assured in the power of God to grow you through it and prepare your next season of life.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Written by Shera Porter

Christ's Closet is a place where people in the community can come to get free clothing as well as a meal and prayer. We have gone from 4 families signing in when we first opened in October 2015 to an average of 25 families each Saturday we are open. Our largest events have had 178 and 70 families sign in.

With these numbers we have a lot of prep work and hours that go into making these days successful. We have a wonderful team of volunteers that make this possible. Most Saturdays we average about 12 volunteers for a total average of 48 volunteer hours. During the week preceding the closet there are several hours of preparation including planning of lunch, crafts and shopping for supplies.

Occasionally some volunteers will come during the week to sort.

We see God working through this ministry every time the closet is open and even in between. One particular time really touched me.

We had a couple in our church donate a car seat the year before last.

We set it out and towards the end of the closet we saw a lady looking at it. We spoke with her about taking it and she was reluctant. She thought someone else might need it more. Her daughter was

pregnant and in an abusive relationship.

Her daughter lived out of state and she was going to be bringing her back to live here. She didn't have much nor the means to purchase what she needed. We convinced her that God put this car seat here for her and prayed with her. We were also able to gather more

baby items such as a pack-n-play for her to take. This past year at the Christmas Extravaganza a familiar face holding a baby approached me and asked if I remembered her. As soon as she said it, I realized it was her. She hugged me and thanked us and told me how much it meant to get that baby stuff the year before.

Sometimes, in praying with and talking to people we discover other stories just like this. God works through this ministry to bless so many people. Thank you to everyone who volunteers or has volunteered for Christ's Closet. This ministry wouldn't be possible without you.

SEPTEMBER PARTICIPATION AT CCY

DATE	SS	WORSHIP	SM. GROUPS	GEN. GIVING
9.01.19	63	165	96	\$ 8,128
9.08.19	76	207	163	\$ 7,700
9.15.19	87	206	171	\$ 4,439
9.22.19	93	194	137	\$ 6,849
9.29.19	94	180	165	\$ 6,478
WEEKLY NEED:				\$ 7,087

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