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August has been a fun month with Virtual VBS and the Teacher Luncheon and Drive-In Movie Night.

I would like to thank Charleen Schaeffer, Sue McClure, Janet Myers, and Hannah Metzger for their amazing help for our Virtual VBS. We had nine children register to participate in the Virtual VBS. While it was a lot of work to put together and produce, **I believe it was a wonderful opportunity to share God's love with the children in our area where they could learn so much about Greek history and Paul's missionary journey in Athens and most importantly to learn about Jesus.** I can't thank you enough for your help. Thanks to Macrina we have pictures of her children participating.



I would also like to thank Betty Felmlee and all the ladies who organized and prepared salads for the Back to School Take-Out Lunch for the Center Consolidated **School's faculty and staff. They were so happy that we were able to provide the lunch as we have done for many years. Even though we couldn't sit and talk as everyone ate, they shared that they appreciated the love and care into preparing and providing the delicious and filling salad lunches.** There are so many ladies to thank so if I miss someone, I apologize – thanks to Kitty Bigley, Mary Bloxsom, Betty Felmlee, Lori Garcia, Leta Hennigh, Glenda Holcomb, Jazzy Holcomb and her friend Chris, Janet Myers, Vickie Myers, Cozette Price, Vicki Ratzlaff, Charleen Schaeffer, and Glynnis Williams. Again, if I missed naming someone, I apologize, because we want you to know how much you are appreciated and how much your hard work meant to our hardworking school personnel. I would like you to put our school personnel, parents, and students on your daily prayer list for this is a difficult year for all of them.

Again Teddy and Acsencion and Julio helped to get the screen up and the projector set for movie night. Thank you so much. Also children who attended were given goody bags filled with things they could use for the start of school as well as **vegetables and herbs from the community garden for everyone. Don't miss September's Drive-in featuring *Playing with Fire*.**

Being September 3rd through September 8th – Labor Day weekend – I will be finally getting away for a short vacation. Please note that on Labor Day weekend because I will be on vacation, the 8:30 am Zoom worship on September 6, 2020 will take place as usual and I will conduct it from California. That service will be recorded and posted on our Facebook page at 10:30 am for all those who attend the 10:30 am service.

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him."

1 John 5:14-15 (NIV)

## Manna Bags

We are looking for people to donate items for our Manna Bags that we give out to those people who are in immediate need. If you could donate any of the following items that would be absolutely wonderful.

### *Items in the Manna Bags:*

Water Bottles  
Canned Vienna Sausage  
Raisins  
Rice Crispy Treats  
Keebler Cookies  
Toasty Cracker Sandwiches (Cheese & Peanut Butter)  
Fruit Snacks  
Nuts  
Jerky  
Gum  
Singles to Go Drink Mixes  
\*All these items need to be snack size and individually wrapped.

There will not be an in-person service on September 6, 2020. My CPE classes have begun again and so the get-a-way is welcomed as we begin the fall routine.

There is no worship committee meeting for September and Ad Council will meet on September 13, 2020 at 6:30 pm.

We will be helping the Center Consolidated Schools out by allowing them to use Drummond Hall during the week for overflow students who are not in class, especially morning care and after care. Right now the group scheduled will be using the facility Wednesday and Thursday. This is not a permanent arrangement but an on-going arrangement for as long as COVID-19 restrictions need to be followed. They will take care of staffing and maintenance, clean-up and the maximum student of nine.

We will continue Cooking for your Neighbor after the Labor Day break because it is still unsafe to gather for a community meal, so if you know of someone who needs a meal delivered either in Center or Saguache, please let me know. I do thank Kitty Bigley-Entz, Betty Felmlee, Janet Myers, and Charleen Schaeffer for their tireless efforts toward this endeavor. A special thank you to Mary Bloxsom for the chicken, Barbara Donahue for the blueberries and eggs, and Bill Hazard for the apricots which were contributed to the meals.

## Joke of the Month

The pastor was preparing pancakes for her young sons when the boys began arguing over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. "If Jesus were sitting here," she told them, "he would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait.'" The younger boy turned to his brother and said, "You be Jesus."



## Drive-in Movie Night—September 17th : 8pm

This Month we will be showing *Playing With Fire* at our Drive-in movie night. This family-friendly comedy movie can be viewed from the comfort of your car or bring some chairs and blankets and watch from the lawn. We ask you follow social distancing rules and stay 6 feet away from other groups. Masks will be required, but are available for any who do not have one.

## All-American Loaded Baked Potato Salad

### Ingredients

- ◆ 6 Cups cubed russet potatoes
- ◆ 1 tsp salt
- ◆ 1 Cup sour cream
- ◆ 1 Cup Miracle Whip

Recipe by: spicejenmom

- ◆ 1/2 tsp black pepper
- ◆ 1 Cup shredded cheddar cheese
- ◆ 1/2 Cup chopped green onions
- ◆ 1/2 Cup real bacon bits



Allrecipes.com

### Directions

1. Place potatoes in a pot; fill with water until potatoes are covered. Add salt; bring to boil. Simmer until potatoes are just tender enough to be pierced with a fork, about 15 minutes. Drain and run under cold water until potatoes are slightly cool.
2. Mix sour cream, creamy salad dressing, and ground black pepper together in a large bowl. Stir in Cheddar cheese, green onion, and bacon bits; add potatoes. Cover and chill in the refrigerator until ready to serve.