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## Minister's Moment

"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy *because of your partnership* in the gospel from the first day until now." - Ephesians 1:3-4

These are such impactful words from the pen of the original Christian missionary - the Apostle Paul. They are impactful because they are words of gratitude for the life-sustaining partnership he enjoyed with the church at Ephesus.

Speaking from experience, living as a missionary can be hard and at times exceedingly discouraging. Words of encouragement from a partnering church act as fuel to keep pressing on in the face of difficulties.

We are afforded the wonderful opportunity this weekend to interact with some of the missionaries we support financially & prayerfully and provide words of encouragement for them. It's my prayer that the auditorium will be packed out on Sunday as we cheer on these great men and women of faith who sacrifice so much for God's Kingdom across the globe! It's what being a partner is really all about.

*Doug*

## Palm Sunday Offering

On Sunday, April 14, we will be collecting our annual Palm Sunday offering. Our board approved paying \$11,000.00 from our general fund toward the Main St. parking lot loan and are challenging the congregation to match this amount. If we meet the goal of \$11,000.00, we will be enabled to pay off the remaining balance of the loan - allowing us to become debt-free. Any additional funds will be utilized toward various improvements on our facility.

## Mary Booth Card Shower

Mary Booth will be celebrating her 94th birthday on Sunday, April 7. Let's shower her with our love and birthday cards. Cards can be sent to:

SharonBrooke Assisted Living  
Attn: Mary Booth - Room 222  
920 Sharon Valley Rd.  
Newark, OH 43055

## Mother Daughter Banquet



**Saturday, May 4 @ 6:30 PM**  
Fellowship Hall  
Watch for bulletin insert to register



## Missions Emphasis Weekend

April 6-7

**Saturday, April 6**

### Meal Packing Event

10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, April 7**

### Missionary Meet & Greet

9:30 am - Auditorium

### Morning Worship

10:30 am

Guest Speaker

**Dan Franks**

Community Development Manager  
Christian Children's Home of Ohio

### Potluck Lunch

12:00 pm - Fellowship Hall

Everyone is encouraged to join us for a carry-in lunch. The meat will be provided by the mission committee. Everyone else is asked to bring a covered-dish or dessert.

"If we choose to live a small life, we do not make enough room for a big GOD."

## Happening This Week:

**Saturday @ 10:00 am**  
Meal Packing Event

**Sunday @ 9:00 am**  
Missionary Meet & Greet

**Sunday @ 12:00 pm**  
Potluck Dinner

**Sunday @ 6:30 pm**  
Youth Group  
Choir Practice

**Monday @ 7:00 pm**  
Elders & Deacons Meeting

**Wednesday @ 11:30 am**  
Lenten Luncheon @  
Methodist Church

**Wednesday @ 7:00 pm**  
Adult Bible Study

## Coming Soon:

4/19/19 @ 6:30 pm  
Good Friday Service - Here

4/21/19 @ 7:00 am  
Easter Sunrise Service @  
Miller Park

4/27/19 @ 6:00 pm  
Impact Youth - Game Night

5/4/19 @ 6:30 pm  
Mother-Daughter Banquet

## For the Record

Sunday, March 31

Worship	154
Sunday School	54
General Off.	\$3,904.40
Mission Off.	\$940.00