

Benevolence Ministry - Q & A

Thanks to your support, the Meadowlark benevolence ministry is able to continually help people in the community and in our church family who are struggling financially. Meadowlark is blessed to have both a food bank and a clothing bank on site. Shawn Worrell, who served as benevolence deacon for several years, transitioned from the role. We greatly appreciate all the work Shawn has done. John O'Mara is the new ministry leader over the benevolence ministry. For this month's bulletin, John and Lonnie O'Mara answered several questions regarding the benevolence ministry and the food bank ministry.



Lonnie & John

Questions about Meadowlark's Benevolence Ministry:

Q: *How is the benevolence ministry going?*

A: *The benevolence ministry is going well. Mountain States Children's home recently received \$3,600.00 from Meadowlark. The body has helped several individuals who needed gas, has provided funds for medical bills & car repairs, has provided general help for Meadowlark family members, and has provided a hotel room for a homeless, pregnant woman.*

Q: *How many families / individuals were helped for the holidays (and in what ways were they helped)?*

A: *During December, seven family members were blessed with monetary gifts to help ease the added burden of the holidays.*

Q: *What are your dreams for the benevolence ministry?*

A: *To know the body well enough to anticipate and meet the needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ without them asking.*

Q: *How can Meadowlark members help you?*

A: *Continue to pray that God will bless this ministry, provide the wisdom needed to make good decisions in using His funds, and open our eyes to the needs of those around us.*

Questions about Meadowlark's Food Bank:

Q: *When did the Meadowlark food bank open?*

A: *We started collecting food the first Sunday in October, 2011.*



Q: *How many people has it served since it began?*

A: *The church has provided food on six different occasions for four families. One family, who has another family living with them, has been helped a couple of times.*

Q: *Who does the food bank serve?*

A: *Family members and people referred by family members.*

Q: *What do you need?*

A: *Currently we are short on breakfast items and meat products. For example: items like boxed pizzas, chunky soups that can be served with rice as a main dish, canned chicken, etc*

Q: *What is your vision / goals for the bank?*

A: *We hope to get to a point where we can be known as a source of food for anyone in our community. What greater joy than to be able to say yes to anyone in need.*

Q: *Do you need volunteers?*

A: *If anyone shares this passion, absolutely. We are always stocking and checking "use by" dates.*

Another huge part of benevolence, which has been serving the needy of Fort Collins for many years is the Meadowlark Clothing bank. Next month, there will be a Q & A about this wonderful extension of our benevolence outreach. The clothing bank's ministry leader is Maxine Tamlin, and she is aided by several faithful and hard-working volunteers.

January Events!

Prime Timers

Meet at the Egg and I on Harmony and Lemay on Friday morning January 6 at 8:00 a.m.

Senior Men

The monthly breakfast will be in the fellowship hall on Saturday morning, January 7 at 9:00 a.m.

Sing and Serve

Join the group that sings to the residents at Lemay Health and Rehab on Sunday, January 1 at 4:00 p.m.

College Mission Trip to Casa de la Esperanza

Several left for a mission to Casa de la Esperanza on December 28. They will return on January 5. Please keep this mission in your prayers!

Preaching Schedule

Steve Martin will be doing the preaching at Meadowlark for the first three Sundays of January. We look forward to hearing Steve!

Jaron Tate, Mallory Dotson and Mia Dotson were baptized into Christ in December!!

January Service Schedule

Song Leading:

01/01 S. Meyer
01/08
01/15
01/22
01/29

Lord's Supper Devotional

01/01 T. Brown
01/08
01/15
01/22
01/29

Elder: Bud Frei

Communion Prep: The O'Maras

Welcome:

Baby Nursery Schedule:

01/01 (B) L. Berry
(T) L. Grenier
01/08 (B)
(T) B. Barrier, S. Watson
01/15 (B)
(T) Goldmans
01/22 (B) A. Galvan
(T) Whittens
01/29 (B)
(T)

Sound Booth Attendants:

01/01 M. Van Skiver
A. Galvan
01/08 M. Van Skiver
J. Frei
01/15 O. Wiggan
J. Frei
01/22 O. Wiggan
D. Worrell
01/29 D. Alexander
D. Worrell

Greeters:

01/01 Shumates
(Alt) Burnams & S. Perkins
01/08 Burnams & S. Perkins
(Alt) Tamllins
01/15 Burnams & S. Perkins
(Alt) Tamllins
01/22 Tamllins
(Alt) Ferrys
01/29 Tamllins
(Alt) Ferrys

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Gary Bolin	Missions	223-7355
Debbie Brunk	Finance	225-0962
The Fikes	Prime Timers	229-0676
Bud Frei	College	498-0204
Brent Lanier	Facilities	307-634-7127
Kristi Martin	Children's Education	481-9687
Marvin Martin	Facilities	484-8385
Steve Martin	Worship	481-9682
Seth Meyer	Facilities	226-8611
Heather Meyer	Nursery	226-8611
John & Lonnie O'Mara	Benevolence / Food Bank Ministry	204-1170
Maxine Tamlin	Clothing Bank / a.m. Ladies class	482-5819
The Shumates	Fellowship	663-5780
Chuck Van Kull	Finance	310-7210
The Van Skivers	Bible Hour	223-3194
Mike Von Gunten	Missions / Campus student center	223-9795
Shelli Walker	Camp / Teen Ministry	266-9119
J. David Watson	Worship / Song leading	218-7985
Marilyn Watson	Facilities Coordinator	420-1276
Trisha Wells	Vacation Bible School / Custodian	493-9746
Steve Martin	Adult Education	481-9687
Jill Rasmussen	Communion prep coordinator / Nursery	
Bill Williams	Greeters ministry	631-8989
Eric Williams	Teens	223-6264
John Wilson	Life Groups / Minister Search	689-3948
Allison Yelton	Young Adult Ministry	215-9634

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Sunday Bible class 9:00am

Sunday Worship 10:00am

Life Groups 5:30pm

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00pm

Shepherds:

Milt Brown 221-3256

*Bud Frei 227-8203

Chuck Grenier 461-5939

Chappy Wells 493-9746

David Wheat 686-8900

* Elder chairman

Ministers:

Teen Minister:

Derek Walker 266-9119

Campus Minister:

Russ Whitten 223-3755

Administrative Assistant:

Charlene Whitten 223-7788

<i>Family Record</i>	12/4	12/11	12/18	12/25
<i>Worship Attendance-</i>			245	
<i>Budget</i>	\$6,347	\$6,347	\$6,347	\$6,347
<i>Contribution</i>	\$6,343	\$7,222	\$7,706	\$7,051
	-\$3.00	+\$ 875	+\$1,359	+\$704