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	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>FISCAL YTD</u>
Sunday Attendance	1,670	1,639	1,640
General Fund Offerings	\$37,200.90	\$36,425.70	\$35,406.82
Mission Fund Offerings	\$12,400.30	\$12,141.90	\$11,802.27
Building Fund Offerings	\$1,072.75	\$1,341.80	\$1,343.88
Weekly Budget for General Fund	\$33,375.00		
Weekly Budget for Mission Fund	\$11,125.00		

Baptisms
(10/1/17 - 9/30/18): 58

For online giving visit:
www.greenfordchristian.org

take note

*After several years in the making, the day has finally arrived!
Greenford Christian Church's*

AUSTINTOWN CAMPUS IS LAUNCHING!

Sunday, September 30 | 9a & 10:30a

[150 Victoria Road, Austintown, Oh 44515]

We are very excited to be expanding into our surrounding communities to reach more people for Christ. It's hard to believe that this much anticipated grand opening is just around the corner! If you are planning on attending our Austintown Campus, be sure to invite a friend or neighbor. *We look forward to seeing you on this awesome day!*

COMEDIAN TIM HAWKINS

Saturday, September 22 | 7pm | Bldg D Auditorium

Tim Hawkins' gut-busting comedy entertains the entire family. His act is 1 part gifted + 2 parts twisted—the only certainty being his on-the-nose observations that expose the ridiculousness of daily life while marveling in its hilarity. The perils of marriage, homeschooling, and growing up in the Midwest may not exemplify the rock star life, but they make for really good punchlines. *Join us for this riotous evening!*

TICKETS: www.greenfordchristian.org

GENERAL ADMISSION: **\$25 advance** / \$23 advance group rate (10+) / \$30 at the door [only 172 tickets left!]

PREMIUM: **\$39 advance** / \$37 advance group rate (10+) / \$45 at the door [only 42 tickets left!]

UBER FAN PACKAGE: **\$75 advance only** [only 28 tickets left!]

FIT FOR LIFE Community Day

Saturday, October 6 | 9:30a - 11:30a (check-in begins at 9a) | Bldg C

This is a **FREE** community event for every-BODY! Bring your spouse, friend, neighbor, co-worker, and kids (12 and over) for 2 hours of wellness, wholeness, and FIT-NESS as we move, breathe and practice LIFE together. All fitness levels are welcome! We will integrate God's Word as we practice mind, body, and spirit care. We'll introduce you to a high-energy cardio session, then a slower strengthening and stretch class with options for very low-impact modifications...and we'll add lots of fun! Each attendee will receive a **FREE Swag Bag**. **Space is limited to the first 100 to register (at www.greenfordchristian.org)**. Wear comfortable clothes that won't restrict your movement, tennis shoes, and bring a yoga/fitness mat or towel. We'll provide water and wellness!

Registrations open on Sunday, September 9. Free childcare (11 and under) is limited and will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis; please identify your need with your online registration.

[Your leaders Bethanie Meredith (www.YogabyBethanie.com) and Teresa Pitcher (www.CoreWholeness.com) are local certified trainers. Visit their website for contact information.]

take note (continued)

SUPER SERVE SATURDAYS at The Big Reach Center of Hope Saturday, October 6 | 9a - 12p | Bldg E

Come out for an hour or the entire morning...it's up to you! An easy way to take a tour, get involved, make new friends, and enjoy fellowship with others. We will be cleaning, scrubbing, sorting, stocking, and more! Come alone or bring your family and friends.

For more information, contact Val at vwaselich@greenfordchristian.org.

DISCOVER GREENFORD Sunday, October 7 12p -1:30p Bldg D lobby

If you're new to Greenford, or have been here for a very long time, this 90-minute luncheon is for you! Join us as we discover the purpose, mission, and strategies of our church, and as we find out what your next steps are in continuing on your faith journey and getting involved here. *Childcare is available for kids through 6th grade, and they will be fed too!* **Sign up online at: www.greenfordchristian.org.**

For more information, email Allison at ajohnson@greenfordchristian.org.

DEDICATION CELEBRATION Saturday, October 13 | 3p | Bldg C

Dedication Celebration is an opportunity for parents to make a commitment before God to raise their children to know and love the Lord. This is the beginning of a journey where you, the parent, partner with us, the church. As a parent, you have the greatest influence on your child's spiritual upbringing and in teaching them what it means to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Registration will open Sunday, September 2. Registration deadline is September 30. Register early as space is limited! For more information and to register, visit: www.greenfordchristian.org.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT Saturday, October 27 | 1p - 3p | Greenford Campus

Let's get ready to Trunk-or-Treat! It's a FREE, SAFE & FUN community event for kids and their families. Kids will visit decorated trunks and receive lots of candy treats! All families should bring a bag of candy to share and kids should dress up in fun costumes. (No gory/scary costumes, please). If you'd like to join in the fun by decorating your trunk and passing out candy, please contact the Youth Office.



FINDING YOUR WAY AROUND

Review the campus map on the back cover of this catalog. Once you arrive on campus you'll find assistance at the entrance of each building to point you in the right direction.

BLDG. D WORSHIP CENTER

We gather for worship here each Sunday morning.

BLDG. D FIRST STEP ROOM

This room has many purposes. If you are a first-time guest, we would love to meet you! If you are a regular attender and want to take the next step in your discipleship journey, or want to get involved or connected, please visit us. Also, this is a place to have conversations about making a first-time decision for Christ or becoming a member.

BLDG. D INFORMATION COUNTER

Ask any question and our volunteers will assist you.

BLDG. B (6th - 12th Grade)

This building is our student center, designed with junior high and high school students in mind. Students 6th - 12th grade meet here on Sunday mornings all year round and Wednesday evenings from September - May.

BLDG. C (Infant - 5th Grade)

Infants - 5th grade gather here weekly to learn about and worship God on Sunday mornings. Children in grades Kindergarten - 5th grade also meet here on Wednesday evenings from September - May.

BLDG. C

Our church offices are located in Bldg. C and are open Monday through Friday, 8am - 4pm.

BLDG. E

Our benevolence ministry (The Big Reach Center of Hope) is located in Bldg. E. For more details about this ministry, see page 15.

CONNECT WITH OUR STAFF

Eric Bodine, *Building Maintenance*

John Bush, *Pastoral Care*

Diana Coleman, *Administrative Assistant*

Jim Couchenour, *Discipleship/Community Minister*

Shelley DeAmicis, *Family Ministry Assistant*

Ron Dicken, *Counselor*

Robin Dustman, *Front Office*

Beth Felger, *Elementary Director/Family Min. Team Leader*

Doug Gough, *Director—Big Reach Center of Hope*

Billy Hartwig, *Middle School Minister*

Marilyn Hatch, *Funeral Meal Coordinator*

Allison Johnson, *Connections Director*

Lynne Kappler, *Finance*

Corey Kelly, *First Impressions*

Sean Kelly, *Lead Minister*

Jason McGuire, *Warehouse Manager—Big Reach Center of Hope*

Jessica Mudger, *Family Ministry Volunteer Coordinator*

Jill Parker, *Custodial*

Keith Parker, *High School Minister*

Mark Pemberton, *Austintown Campus Minister*

Bruce Rhodes, Jr., *Executive Minister*

Alma Sanor, *Custodial*

Eric Shelhart, *Media Director*

Rachelle Shelhart, *Family Ministry Curriculum Coordinator*

Shawn Theis, *Worship Minister*

Jennifer Trump, *Custodial*

Valerie Waselich, *Volunteer Coordinator—Big Reach Center of Hope*

Dawn Yauger, *Lead Minister Asst./Web Content Manager*

on a sunday



To download our church app, search Greenford Christian Church in the app store, or scan the QR code to the left.

WORSHIP 7:30am (traditional), 9:00am & 10:30am (contemporary) Bldg. D

At GCC we gather weekly as a church family to worship God for who He is and what He has done. When you worship with us expect uplifting music and relevant teaching, along with a celebration of the Lord's supper (communion).

COMMUNION

Communion is open to all believers. Please take the bread and cup when you are prepared to do so. GLUTEN-FREE communion is available at the Information counter. Please pick up a wafer before service.

DECISION TIME

A decision time will be extended during the service for those who wish to make a first-time commitment to Christ or place membership with us. Please visit the First Step room to speak with one of our volunteers.

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LIBRARY

The Library is located in the northeast corner of the worship center. It is open before and after worship services every Sunday morning. You are free to check out books, music, sermons, and DVDs. For a list of items available, visit www.librarything.com/catalog/gcclibrary. *Library hours: Sunday mornings at 8:30am - 9am; 10am - 10:30am; 11:30am - 12pm.*

HEARING IMPAIRED

An interpreter for the hearing impaired is available during the 7:30am worship service. Seating is located in the southwest corner of the worship center. Visit the Information counter for further assistance.

ONLINE GIVING

We offer the opportunity to give your offering electronically. For more details, visit our website.

HOME COMMUNION

If you have a family member or friend who is unable to attend worship for an extended period of time, we have pre-packaged communion available for you to pick up and take on a weekly basis.

Ask at the Information counter in the lobby of Bldg. D, or contact John: jbush@greenfordchristian.org.

PRAVER

Prayer List: A current prayer list is available at the Information counter. Please take one home.

Hospital Visitation/Prayer: If you would like someone to pray with you prior to surgery or visit you in the hospital, email *John* at jbush@greenfordchristian.org or notify the church office at 330-533-3278.

SERMON VIDEO/AUDIO

You can view or listen to weekly sermons on our website at: www.greenfordchristian.org.

youth & family ministry

OUR FAMILY MINISTRY

Our Family Ministry at Greenford Christian Church includes children from infancy through high school. As in all the ministries of GCC, it is our mission to make disciples of Jesus who make disciples of Jesus. Because we believe that Scripture is clear in that parents are the primary disciple-makers in the lives of their children, our hope is to partner with parents in their pursuit of this mission, coming alongside them in the discipleship process. We want to help build a strong, gospel-centered foundation for our kids that would lead to a life devoted to Christ and the expansion of His kingdom. With this in mind, we are intentional about helping children understand, on their level, what it means to put Jesus first, to love others, to share their lives, and to be fruitful.

Beth Felger, Family Ministry Team Leader (bfelger@greenfordchristian.org)

KINDERGARTEN MOVE-UP **Sunday, September 9 | 9a & 10:30a**

We are so excited to welcome our Kindergarteners to Kid City on this day! Come have fun with us and meet a ton of new friends!

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GREENFORD MOMS GROUP (For moms of Infants through 12th grade)

2nd Wednesday of the month (Starting September 12) 9a - 10:30a & 6p - 7:30p | Bldg C Rm 1
4th Wednesday of the month (Starting September 26) 9:30a - 11a | off campus locations

Our Greenford MOMS GROUP was created so that women can connect with other moms, can grow spiritually, and also be encouraged in their identity as daughters of the King. Join us as we share laughs, tears, joys, and struggles in our daily roles as moms. (*Childcare is available for on-campus meetings only.*) Follow our Facebook page (Greenford Moms Group) for details, updates/changes, and off-campus locations.

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY CONTINUED...

youth & family ministry

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Beth (Family Ministry Team Leader):
bfelger@greenfordchristian.org

Jessica (Volunteer Coordinator):
jmudger@greenfordchristian.org

Rachelle (Curriculum/Sunday Experience):
rshelhart@greenfordchristian.org

early childhood

 INFANT - 3YRS

SUNDAYS Sundays | 9a & 10:30a | Bldg C

All of our classrooms are designed to provide young children with a safe, fun, loving, and energetic atmosphere. In our 2 and 3 year old classes, lessons are designed to help children discover God's love for them through interactive Bible stories and hands-on activities.

preschool

 4YRS - PRE-K

SUNDAYS Sundays | 9a & 10:30a | Bldg C

Your preschooler will be given the opportunity to worship and respond to God during our Sunday morning services. With interactive lessons, upbeat songs, and fun activities...your kid will love it!

KINDERGARTEN PREVIEW DAY

Sunday, August 26 | 9a & 10:30a | Bldg C Rm 8

Starting in September, our Elementary Ministry will be restructured to include children entering Kindergarten in the Fall. We are inviting all kindergarteners and their parents to attend Kid City at 9am or 10:30am on this day. Come check us out before move-up Sunday on September 9th and prepare to have lots of FUN!

elementary

 KINDERGARTEN - 3RD GRADE

SUNDAYS Sundays | 9a & 10:30a | Bldg C

We love our elementary kids and want to see them trust Jesus in a way that transforms how they love God, themselves, and the world around them. We want them to make wiser decisions, build deeper relationships, and develop a strong spiritual foundation. Through small groups with their peers, connections with consistent adults, hands-on activities, interactive lessons, silly games and worship, we've created a fun environment that will engage every child's heart and mind. Sundays are the best way to start your child's week!

Sunday Memory Verses —
September: *Colossians 3:23a*; October: *Luke 12:15*

CITY NIGHTS

Starting on Wednesday, September 5
Wednesday | 6p - 7:30p | Bldg C Rm 8

We love getting together with our friends to dig deeper into God's Word and to learn what it means to be a disciple. We play fun games, share a snack and lots of laughs! We'll be kicking off our year with a party to plan on coming and bring a friend!

preteen

 4TH - 5TH GRADE

SUNDAYS Sundays | 9a & 10:30a | Bldg C

Our 4th and 5th graders are facing unique challenges so we've created a place where they can dig deeper, ask questions, and explore God's truth in a safe, fun, quirky environment knowing they belong and are loved. We want them to be able to discover God's unique plans for their life, trust Him as their savior, respect whoever God puts over them and to develop healthy relationships with their peers. Sundays are full of small group discussions, relevant bible lessons, worship, zany games and creative activities. Your child will leave with a smile on their face remembering what matters most.

Sunday Memory Verses —
September: *Colossians 3:23a*; October: *Luke 12:15*

youth & family ministry (continued)

IGNITE

Starting on Wednesday, September 5
Wednesdays | 6p - 7:30p | Bldg C Rm 6

Preteens have lots of questions and it's important that we help them seek the truth. At IGNITE, we gather together and create a fun space for kids to search the Bible for answers and help them build a faith foundation that guides wise choices. Crazy games, outrageous activities, food and friends are all a part of IGNITE as well! We're kicking the year off with a party, so come and bring a friend!

STUDENT MINISTRY

Billy (Middle School Minister):
bhartwig@greenfordchristian.org

Keith Parker (High School Minister):
kparker@greenfordchristian.org

middle school 6TH - 8TH GRADE

SUNDAYS

Sundays | 9a & 10:30a | Bldg B

On Sunday mornings we offer two identical services for 6th - 8th graders. During these services we encounter God through bible lessons, prayer, communion, and through worship. With crazy games and challenging activities, students will be engaged with the word of God for a full hour as they are challenged to hear from God and then do what He says throughout the week.

For parents to stay up-to-date on what we are learning on Sundays, please download the **PARENT CUE** app in the app store on your mobile device and select **Greenford Christian Church**. This is a great way to help reinforce our Sunday lessons at home, in the car on the way to school, or at the dinner table. The app will give you questions to ask, topics to think about, and most of all it will encourage you as a parent.

CRASH WEDNESDAYS

Wednesday, September 5 | 6p - 7:30p | Bldg B
Fall Kickoff!

We are kicking off the school year! This is a night you don't want to miss. It's time to get back together after a long and eventful summer. Throughout the year students participate in small groups on Wednesday nights. In these small groups, they can walk through life's joys and struggles together, learning how to hear from God and obey His calling on their lives. **Come join us!**

CRASH COSTUME PARTY

Wednesday, October 31 | 6p - 7:30p | Bldg B

Come up with the best costume theme in your small groups for the chance to win a pizza party! Giveaways for best dressed student and volunteer. *Join us even if you don't dress up!*

MIDDLE SCHOOL STAY CONNECTED —

Parent updates: Text @gccrashp to 81010;
Facebook: Greenford Crash; **Instagram:** greenfordcc_crash

high school 9TH - 12TH GRADE

AN INVITATION

Sundays | 10:30a - 11:30a | Bldg B Rm 1

HSM would like to invite any and all High School students to come check out our Sunday morning service! If you haven't given it a try, or if it's been a little while, come see what HSM is all about. Meaningful worship, relevant teaching from God's Word, students from 15 different school districts, and amazing adult leaders! Stop by for HSM one Sunday morning — *we'd love to meet you!*

MIDWEEK IN HSM

Wednesdays | 6p - 7:30p | Bldg B

Are you looking for a great place to explore your faith in community with others? Wednesdays with HSM are a great place to learn more about the Bible, to enjoy laughter and fellowship with great friends, and to ask questions about faith. *Come check out LifeGroups on Wednesday nights!*

youth & family ministry (continued)

STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

This Fall, our Student Leadership Team will be returning. Students who have participated in the past are invited to join us, and new students who would like to participate this Fall can pick up an application in the lobby of Bldg. B. Meeting times TBA.

STAY CONNECTED WITH HSM —

Parents, students, and young adults — stay up to speed with HSM. We believe communication is an important part of partnering with families. Here are a few ways you can stay connected to everything HSM is up to:

Students: text “@gcchsm” to 81010 for text updates

Young Adults (*graduates to age 25*): text “@gccyad” to 81010 for text updates

Parents: text “@hsmprnts” to 81010 for text updates

To receive daily devotional thoughts: text “hsmdevos” to 81010

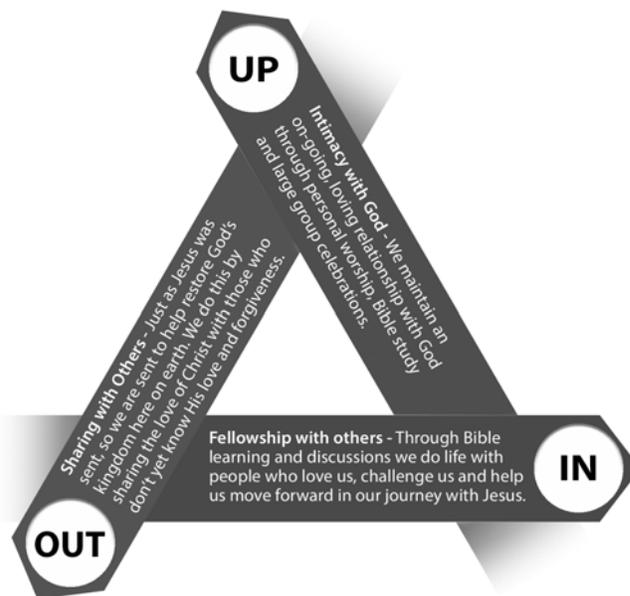
To subscribe to our HSM emails: www.greenfordchristian.org/family/high-school

making disciples

OUR MISSION AT GREENFORD CHRISTIAN CHURCH

...is to help you “make disciples of Jesus, who make disciples of Jesus”. An essential component of this is to help every person maintain three elements in their life: UP, IN and OUT.

Our learning opportunities at Greenford Christian Church have these same three elements built in to groups, classes, and online instruction. With this in mind, each of them is aligned under UP/IN/OUT discipleship tracks. We hope you find this helpful as you grow in your relationship with Jesus here at Greenford Christian Church!



UP — primary

[IN/OUT - SECONDARY]

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Thursdays | 5:30p - 6:30p | Bldg C Rm 4

Join with other men in prayer for our church and surrounding communities.

Contact Jim: jcouchenour@greenfordchristian.org

MEN'S PRAYER/BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays | 7p - 8:30p | Boardman

A weekly gathering of men that learn and pray together. This is open to all men of any age.

Contact Larry: kingstonln@sbcglobal.net

IN — primary

[UP/OUT - SECONDARY]

HUDDLES **Location/Times vary**

Huddles are small group gatherings that lead you through a directed, spiritual growth process. They have become one of the most effective ways to make disciples at Greenford.

Contact Jim: jcouchenour@greenfordchristian.org

AUTHENTIC FAITH

Starting Sunday, October 7

Sundays | 9a | Bldg A (Blue House)

I'm a Christian...but how does that play out in real life?

I want to grow in my faith...but how does that happen?

I want to balance my life...but is that even possible?

Learn how to “walk the talk” in this course with five memorable weekly sessions. Each week you'll learn a powerful Big Idea with the scriptural basis, practical application and a “shape” to help you implement it into your daily life.

Contact Jim: jcouchenour@greenfordchristian.org

making disciples (continued)

DIVORCECARE (Support Group) <http://www.divorcecare.org>

Starting Tuesday, September 11 | 7p | Bldg C Rm 5

Weekly support group (13 weeks) and seminars conducted by people who understand what you are experiencing. You'll learn how to deal with the pain of the past and look forward to rebuilding your future. Each session includes a video seminar featuring experts on divorce followed by small group discussion. Registration: \$15.

Contact Ron: rdicken@greenfordchristian.org

CELEBRATE RECOVERY (Support Group)

Starting Tuesday, September 11 | 6:30p | Bldg B

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered, 12-step recovery program for anyone struggling with hurt, pain, or addiction of any kind. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our lives.

Contact Ron: rdicken@greenfordchristian.org

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Starting Sunday, October 7 | 9a | Bldg E (COH)

Here are the stats from our last two Financial Peace University classes: Non-mortgage debt paid off: \$82,710.00

Amount saved; \$37,455.00

Number of credit cards cut up: 87

...and this was just in the 9 weeks of the class! Learn how to manage your finances in a Biblical, life-changing way.

Contact Jim: jcouchenour@greenfordchristian.org

SMART STEP-FAMILY (Support Group)

Starting Wednesday, September 12 | 6p | Bldg C

Newly married...Married for years...Dating...Single...Adopted children? Is there a "step" in the family? Join us for an 8-week journey reviewing the Smart Step-Family DVD series by Ron Deal, a licensed Christian counselor and an expert on Blended Families. He will be joined by facilitators who have blended their family through the trials of frustrating ex-spouses, infidelity, drug addiction, shared parenting, and grandchildren. There will be group discussions after each video session. (*Proverbs 11:14 - "Where no wise guidance is the people fall, but in multitude of counselors there is safety."*)

Contact Ron: rdicken@greenfordchristian.org

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

Starting Thursday, September 20

Thursdays | 9:30a - 11a | Bldg D (First Step room)

Join this wonderful group of ladies who meet every week to study the bible and pray starting in September. A wide variety of topics are discussed that pertain to everyday living and spiritual growth.

Contact Jim: jcouchenour@greenfordchristian.org

OUT — primary

[UP/IN - SECONDARY]

GOSPEL-CENTERED COMMUNITIES

Gospel-Centered Communities (gcc's) are gatherings of people who get together during the week to explore God and faith, connect in community, and actively serve our communities. They aren't separated by age or affinity because we recognize that everyone can learn from people from all walks of life.

Contact Jim: jcouchenour@greenfordchristian.org

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Contact Jessica: jmudger@greenfordchristian.org

"I AM" LADIES' GOSPEL-CENTERED COMMUNITY

1st & 3rd Friday | 9a - 11a | Bldg E (Center of Hope)

Our next study will be "Breathe: Making Room for Sabbath" by Priscilla Shirer. Session dates are October 5 & 19, November 2, 16 & 30. We look forward to seeing you there! Please follow us on Facebook @IAMdaughters.

Contact Dana: mrsdanagough@gmail.com

making disciples (continued)

LIT 'N LATTE 7p on the 4th Tuesday of the month
(Meets at various member's homes)

We are a group of women who love a good read and the fellowship of other women. For more information on the title of the month's book, meeting place and date, contact Marilyn.
Contact Marilyn: mplmplmpl@aol.com

60+ ON THE ROAD

Cass Railroad September 18 - 19
Amish Trip October 25

Contact Bing for more information and to reserve your seats for these events (330-427-6578. Trips and dates subject to change.)

SENIOR SAINTS DAY

Tuesday, September 18 | 9a - 3:30p

Registration & Breakfast start at 9a

Elkhorn Valley Christian Service Camp

Join us for a day of fellowship and encouragement. **Cost:** \$25/person (includes continental breakfast and lunch)

To register: Call 740-768-2148 or online at

www.elkhornvalley.com (under programs/upcoming retreats)

MISSION TRIPS (See page 16)

resources

CHOSEN *(Adoption & Foster Families)*

This group is for those who are called to care for orphans through adoption/fostering awareness, by supporting children in orphanages, and by serving as a resource for families in all stages of the adoption/fostering process.

Contact Mark/Lisa: lheddleson@sbcglobal.net

GREENFORD CHRISTIAN CHURCH LIBRARY

Located in the northeast corner of Bldg. D

Open Sundays | 8:30a - 9a; 10a - 10:30a; 11:30 - 12p

Have you had a chance to check out our Greenford Christian Church library? We offer a collection of inspirational, faith-based fiction and nonfiction books, magazines, and audio/video materials for all ages. *We encourage you to stop by on a Sunday morning and visit us!*

Contact Connie (church librarian): greenfordlibrary@gmail.com

A review for **THE HOPE OF NATIONS** by John Dickerson:

"Scandals. Shootings. Political attacks. Verbal back-biting. Terrorist bombing. The world-wide turmoil leaves one wondering what is next. Particularly as an American, how did we as a nation get so far off track from what our forefathers created? John Dickerson writes this book as an answer to this question and many others. Dickerson very clearly explains the warring ideologies taking place in America currently: Post-Truth vs. Truth-Based. I found this book to be eye-opening. It also offered how we can stand fearless during these trying times. It offered hope."

serve on campus

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

We want to make our first impression a positive one for people who come through our doors here at Greenford. There are several areas where you are needed in this ministry:

Greeter — Greeting people as they come through the doors, or handing out programs as they enter the auditorium with a warm smile, a simple hello, and a helpful spirit will make a memorable *first impression*.

Ushers — Helping people find a place to sit is becoming more of a need. At the start of the 9am and 10:30am services, when the lights go down and people stand to sing, it can be difficult finding a seat. That's where Seating Ushers come into play!

Information Counter — Providing assistance to those seeking information on a variety of topics (ie: events, ministries, room locations, etc.).

First Step Room — Creating a welcoming environment for visitors who have come to worship at Greenford. This is your opportunity to help guests feel welcome by learning their name(s), extending a hand, helping them find their way around the campus, and giving a gift.

Communion Preparation — Serving on a rotating schedule to prepare communion trays for worship and the communion kits for our shut-ins.

Servers — A team of men working together on Sunday mornings to serve communion and take up the offering.

Contact Corey: ckelly@greenfordchristian.org

FRIDAY GUYS

Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays

8a - 12p (*Schedule varies*)

This team consists of people willing to do light maintenance on our campus (ie: painting, repair work, light construction, electrical, landscaping). The service opportunities and different projects that need completed around our campus are limitless, and we would love your help!

Contact Bruce: brhodes@greenfordchristian.org

HEARING IMPAIRED

We are looking for individuals with a knowledge of sign language, to volunteer as an interpreter during our 7:30am Sunday worship service.

Contact Nancy: handsrbb@yahoo.com

SHEPHERDING / PASTORAL CARE

If you have a heart for God and a heart for people, we have various opportunities in which you can be involved:

Care Team — This team ministers to people from Greenford who are in the hospital, homebound, or in a nursing home facility. If you have a heart for God, a heart for people, and a heart of compassion, we would love to have you on the team.

Volunteer Driver — We have people who may need a ride to a doctor appointment, or the hospital for tests/treatments. If you have the time and ability to provide transportation, we would love to be able to call you when there is a need.

Contact John: jbush@greenfordchristian.org

SAFETY TEAM

This team aids in making the children's areas safe and keeping a watchful eye for anything that could prevent our church attenders from having a safe, enjoyable worship experience. Safety team members will walk around our campus on Sunday mornings, Wednesday evenings, and during special events. While walking they will be observant of unsafe or out of the ordinary situations and then resolve the situation or report it to the proper ministry staff person. Volunteers will serve Sundays during either the 9am service or the 10:30am service for one month at a time, and/or on Wednesday evenings at 5:45pm.

Contact Bruce: brhodes@greenfordchristian.org

WORSHIP

There are many opportunities to serve:

Vocalist — An auditioned group of singers who sing in rotation and for special events.

Instrumentalist — An auditioned group of instrumentalists who play in rotation and for special events.

Contact Shawn: stheis@greenfordchristian.org

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EARLY CHILDHOOD (Infant - 3yrs.)

We would love for you to play a part in loving on, caring for, and teaching our little ones.

Classroom Assistant — We are looking for people who can assist our 2-3 year old teachers with crafts, games, and classroom management. We would love for you to be part of our team on Sunday mornings!

Nursery Worker — Come serve our parents by caring for their littlest ones on Sunday mornings. If you love babies, then this is the place for you!

Service Coordinator — If you would like to volunteer in family ministry but prefer not to be in a classroom, then this would be a great place for you! Help make sure that classrooms are staffed properly and be on hand to assist workers if the need arises.

Greeter/Check-In Volunteer — Looking for outgoing, friendly people to greet kids and their families as they arrive on Sunday mornings, and also help them register for their classes. Volunteer must have computer skills.

Contact Jessica: jmudger@greenfordchristian.org

PRESCHOOL (4yrs. - Pre-K)

Worship Leader — We are looking for a high energy person who's not afraid to have fun with preschoolers. You do NOT need to be able to sing well, but you must LOVE to have fun!

Classroom Assistant — We are looking for people who can assist teachers with classroom duties, help with crafts, games, handing out snacks, crowd control, etc. If you love preschoolers, we would love to have you join our team! Several positions are available. Schedule: 9am and 10:30am (on month/off month).

Greeter/Check-In Volunteer — Looking for outgoing, friendly people to greet kids and their families as they first come in on Sunday mornings, and help them to register for their classes. Volunteer must have computer skills.

Childcare Volunteer — We are looking for volunteers to help with childcare while mom's attend our Greenford Moms Group on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Contact Jessica: jmudger@greenfordchristian.org

ELEMENTARY (K - 3rd Grade)

In Kid City we have a dedicated group of volunteers who love our kids, but we are in need of more. If you are looking for a place where God can use you to love on His kids, this is the place for you. Listed below are several volunteer opportunities during our 9am & 10:30am services on Sundays or City Nights Wednesday evenings. Want to help but cannot commit to a full year? Volunteer schedules can be flexible (monthly, bi-weekly, etc.).

Small Group Leaders — We need dependable individuals to lead games or activities in a small group setting to help reinforce the Bible lesson. All materials and supplies are provided, all that's required is a heart for kids and a desire to want to help them learn all about Jesus!

Assistants — We need people to assist the Small Group Leaders in helping with crafts, games, etc. All you need to do is come prepared to love on kids and have fun!

Storytellers — We need people with lots of personality who aren't afraid to be in front of a group of elementary kids. A script is provided for you to follow. All you need to do is read it ahead of time and come prepared to put on a good presentation!

Contact Jessica: jmudger@greenfordchristian.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL (6th - 8th Grade)

CRASH is a great place to serve if you enjoy working with middle school students. Listed below are several volunteer opportunities:

Student Ministry Greeters & Guides — We need friendly people to welcome our students and their families to the middle school program on Sunday mornings. Be the first smiling face that newcomers meet, and help answer their questions about what happens in Bldg. B! Commitment is from 10:15am-11:45am on as many Sundays as you would like to be scheduled.

Props & Set Designer — If you're creative, resourceful, handy, and like to work behind the scenes, we need you to design and construct stage sets and props for our Crash (5th-8th grade) ministry. Sets change every 3-6 weeks and can be as simple or elaborate as you can imagine!

Worship Leader — If you have a heart for leading kids in worship, this may be the role for you! No instrument experience necessary, as we use video technology instead of a live band—but you have to be able to carry a tune, lead minor choreography, and enjoy 6th-8th graders! Commitment is from 10:15am -11:45am on Sunday mornings.

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Teachers & Assistants — We'll supply you with the curriculum and supplies—all you need to do is prep and deliver! If you have a gift for teaching or helping and can communicate well with middle school students, we can use you on Sunday mornings from 10:15am -11:45am in our 6th/7th/8th grade classrooms.

Contact Billy: bhartwig@greenfordchristian.org

HIGH SCHOOL (9th - 12th Grade)

If you enjoy working with high school students and want to help them become the next generation of leaders in our church, then we need you! We currently have openings during our 10:30am Sunday morning programming.

Contact Keith: kparker@greenfordchristian.org

serve in the community

BIG REACH CENTER OF HOPE

WE ARE — We are a ministry of Greenford Christian Church

OFFICE HOURS —

Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm
330-533-3278

WE PROVIDE —

- * Prayer & Encouraging Relationships
- * Food & Clothing
- * Education
- * Connections to Community Resources

TO —

Anyone in need from the Mahoning Valley and surrounding communities in Northeast Ohio.

WE HOPE —

To see those in crisis move toward self-sufficiency by meeting both tangible and spiritual needs while recognizing the dignity and beauty of every person.

follow us on our **NEW** facebook page: @BRCOH ...and our **NEW** website: www.bigreachministries.org

GIVE

**** CLOSED SEPTEMBER 3 - NO PREPARATION ****

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- * Light office work
- * Computer Operators
- * Prayer Partners
- * Kid Spot
- * Food Pantry
- * Kitchen Crew
- * Pick-up Drivers
- * Clothing
- * Warehouse
- * Cleaning
- * Sorting/Organizing Donations

Contact: Val at vwaselich@greenfordchristian.org with any volunteer questions.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Monday: 9a - 2p
Tuesday: 9a - 2p
Wednesday: 9a - 2p
Thursday: 9a - 7p

Also, the FIRST SATURDAY of every month, 9a - 12p

SPECIAL EVENTS

SUPER SERVE SATURDAYS at The Big Reach Center of Hope

**** (No Super Serve Saturday September 1) ****

October 6 | 9a - 12p | Bldg E

12 MONTHS OF IMPACT

Every month in 2018 we are going to post our greatest need on our Facebook page @BRCOH. By donating a few of these items, you will be partnering with us in our ministry's mission statement!

- **September: Canned Vegetables**
- **October: Soup, Chili**

DONATION DROP-OFF HOURS

Monday: 9a - 2p; Wednesday: 9a - 2p; Thursday: 9a - 6p; Sunday: 8a - 12p

RECEIVE

FOOD/CLOTHING DISTRIBUTION HOURS

Tuesdays 9am - 12pm; Thursdays 4pm - 7pm;

**** CLOSED SEPTEMBER 4 - NO DISTRIBUTION ****

FIRST-TIME VISITORS:

The first time you visit Big Reach for Food/Clothing Distribution, you will need to provide the following:

1. PHOTO ID
2. PROOF OF INCOME
3. PROOF OF RESIDENCY
4. PROOF OF BIRTH/PROOF OF CUSTODY

**** BIG REACH CENTER OF HOPE ****
will be CLOSED SEPTEMBER 1 - 4

MISSION STATEMENT

Helping individuals and families
in crisis experience
life-changing HOPE.

serve in the world

MISSIONS

With Jesus' Great Commission as our guide, we seek to maintain the goal found in Matthew 28: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Due to this commission, we put a priority on what we give to mission organizations outside of our local church. Currently, the top 25% of our total offering each week goes to our supported missions both domestic and abroad.

Contact Bruce at brhodes@greenfordchristian.org.

LIFE WITH CHRIST MINISTRIES

The Fruitful Women Tea Party 3rd Saturday of each month | 1p - 3p

Join us at the historical Schmucker House in Salem, Ohio (271 S. Broadway Avenue) for this monthly tea designed just for women. In British culture a proper tea for women would have been by invitation only and in order to be invited a women would have needed to be a woman of distinction. In the Kingdom of God we are each His precious daughters and we are each special. The Fruitful Women Tea Party is a special gathering where each woman has been invited to experience God's love and engage in relationship with each other. It will be a place where women can celebrate the beauty with which God created them, where they can be cared for, and where they can rest and quiet their hearts.

For more information visit www.thefruitfulwomen.org.

UPCOMING MISSION TRIP IN 2019

SAVE THE DATE and watch for further information!

Mission Trip to Capuli, Ecuador with Compassion International May 17 - 26, 2019

Deep in the remote rainforests of Ecuador is a church reaching an indigenous people group called the "Chachi" for Christ. This church was planted and supported directly by the Greenford Christian Church in partnership with Compassion International and Stadia. Our mission will be discipleship training, teacher training, encouraging the church, and ministering to the people living in the area. In addition, if you sponsor a child in Ecuador, you will have the opportunity to get to know the child and personally invest in their lives beyond simply writing letters and/or visit with the 200+ children sponsored by families of Greenford Christian Church.

calendar

SUNDAYS

Worship — 7:30am, 9am & 10:30am | Bldg. D
Early Childhood — Infant - Pre-K
 9am & 10:30am | Bldg. C
Elementary — K - 3rd grade
 9am & 10:30am | Bldg. C

Pre-Teen — 4th - 5th grade 9am & 10:30am | Bldg. C
Middle School — 6th - 8th grade 9am & 10:30am | Bldg. B
High School — 9th - 12th grade 10:30am | Bldg. B

SEPTEMBER 2018

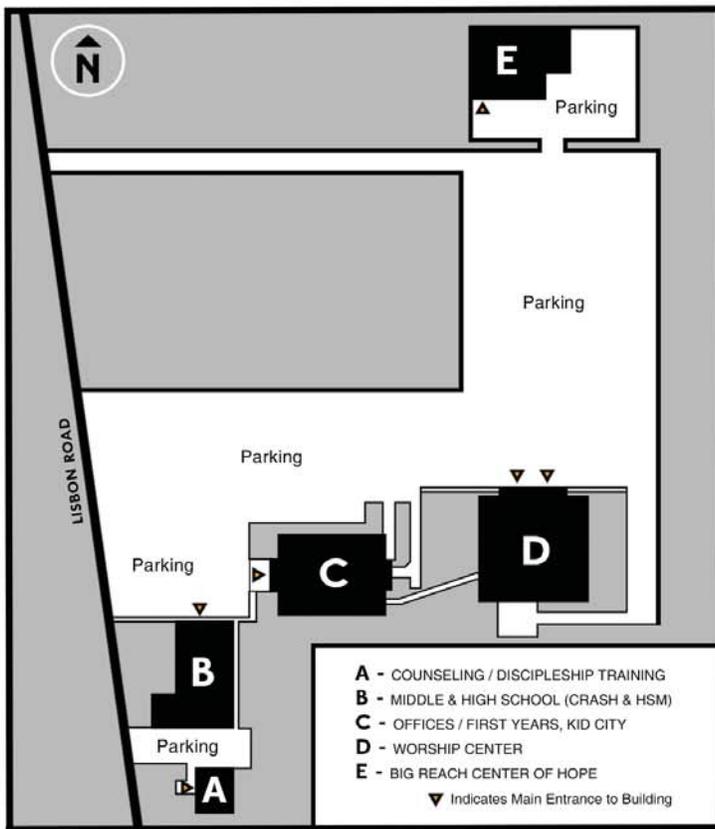
9/3 LABOR DAY Offices Closed
9/4 NO Center of Hope Food Distribution
9/5 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
9/6 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 4pm | Bldg. E
 Men's Prayer Group | 5:30pm | Bldg. C
 Men's Prayer/Bible Study | 7pm | off campus
9/7 Ladies' Bible Study | 9am | Bldg. E
9/11 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 9am | Bldg. E
 Celebrate Recovery | 6:30pm | Bldg. B
 DivorceCare | 7pm | Bldg. C
9/12 Moms Group | 9am | Bldg. C
 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
 Moms Group | 6pm | Bldg. C
 Smart Step-Family | 6pm | Bldg. C
9/13 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 4pm | Bldg. E
 Men's Prayer Group | 5:30pm | Bldg. C
 Men's Prayer/Bible Study | 7pm | off campus
9/18 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 9am | Bldg. E
 Celebrate Recovery | 6:30pm | Bldg. B
 DivorceCare | 7pm | Bldg. C
9/19 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
 Smart Step-Family | 6pm | Bldg. C
9/20 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 4pm | Bldg. E
 Ladies' Bible Study | 9:30am | Bldg. D
 Men's Prayer Group | 5:30pm | Bldg. C
 Men's Prayer/Bible Study | 7pm | off campus
9/21 Ladies' Bible Study | 9am | Bldg. E
9/22 TIM HAWKINS | 7pm | Bldg. D Auditorium
9/25 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 9am | Bldg. E
 Celebrate Recovery | 6:30pm | Bldg. B
 DivorceCare | 7pm | Bldg. C
 Lit 'n Latte | 7pm | off campus
9/26 Moms Group | 9am | off campus
 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
 Smart Step-Family | 6pm | Bldg. C
9/27 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 4pm | Bldg. E
 Ladies' Bible Study | 9:30am | Bldg. D
 Men's Prayer Group | 5:30pm | Bldg. C
 Men's Prayer/Bible Study | 7pm | off campus

OCTOBER 2018

10/2 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 9am | Bldg. E
 Celebrate Recovery | 6:30pm | Bldg. B
 DivorceCare | 7pm | Bldg. C
10/3 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
 Smart Step-Family | 6pm | Bldg. C

OCTOBER continued

10/4 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 4pm | Bldg. E
 Ladies' Bible Study | 9:30am | Bldg. D
 Men's Prayer Group | 5:30pm | Bldg. C
 Men's Prayer/Bible Study | 7pm | off campus
10/6 Super Serve Saturday | 9am | Bldg. E
 FIT FOR LIFE | 9:30a | Bldg. C
10/7 Financial Peace University | 9am | Bldg. E
10/9 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 9am | Bldg. E
 Celebrate Recovery | 6:30pm | Bldg. B
 DivorceCare | 7pm | Bldg. C
10/10 Moms Group | 9am | Bldg. C
 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
 Moms Group | 6pm | Bldg. C
 Smart Step-Family | 6pm | Bldg. C
10/11 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 4pm | Bldg. E
 Ladies' Bible Study | 9:30am | Bldg. D
 Men's Prayer Group | 5:30pm | Bldg. C
 Men's Prayer/Bible Study | 7pm | off campus
10/13 Dedication Celebration | 3pm | Bldg. C
10/14 Financial Peace University | 9am | Bldg. E
10/16 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 9am | Bldg. E
 Celebrate Recovery | 6:30pm | Bldg. B
 DivorceCare | 7pm | Bldg. C
 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
 Smart Step-Family | 6pm | Bldg. C
10/18 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 4pm | Bldg. E
 Ladies' Bible Study | 9:30am | Bldg. D
 Men's Prayer Group | 5:30pm | Bldg. C
 Men's Prayer/Bible Study | 7pm | off campus
10/19 Ladies' Bible Study | 9am | Bldg. E
10/21 Financial Peace University | 9am | Bldg. E
10/23 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 9am | Bldg. E
 Celebrate Recovery | 6:30pm | Bldg. B
 DivorceCare | 7pm | Bldg. C
 Lit 'n Latte | 7pm | off campus
10/24 Moms Group | 9am | off campus
 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
 Smart Step-Family | 6pm | Bldg. C
10/25 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 4pm | Bldg. E
 Ladies' Bible Study | 9:30am | Bldg. D
 Men's Prayer Group | 5:30pm | Bldg. C
 Men's Prayer/Bible Study | 7pm | off campus
10/27 TRUNK-OR-TREAT | 1pm
10/28 Financial Peace University | 9am | Bldg. E
10/30 Center of Hope Food Distribution | 9am | Bldg. E
 Celebrate Recovery | 6:30pm | Bldg. B
 DivorceCare | 7pm | Bldg. C
 City Nights | 6pm | Bldg. C
10/31 CRASH | 6pm | Bldg. B
 HSM | 6pm | Bldg. B
 Smart Step-Family | 6pm | Bldg. C



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