Memorial and Honorary Giving to The Matthew 25 Center

> In Memory of Mr. Morris Andrews, Sr.: by Audrey Andrews

Mr. Grey Justice: by Gladys and Earl Orr

In Kind Gifts:* Hampstead Baptist Church *Donations of needed supplies and services.

We are very grateful for the support received from those who make a donation to The Matthew 25 Center in honor of or in memory of a loved one.

Memorial and honorary gifts to The Matthew 25 Center are tax deductible.

"Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering."

Hebrews 13:3

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"A home away from home for families who visit their loved ones in prison"

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Bar-B-Que Dinner

Friday, September 4, 2009 The Matthew 25 Center 1196 Penderlea Highway, Burgaw, NC 28425



Serving 11:00 a.m. - Until it's gone!

Dine In or Take Out Menu: Home Made BBQ, Cole Slaw, BBQ Potatoes and Hush Puppies! (Dine In includes iced tea.) \$6.00 per plate

Free delivery in the Burgaw area for customers ordering 5 or more plates in one location.



Call (910) 259-7133 to reserve your plates!

New Board Members

We are pleased to have two new board members: Jill and Lynn LaCour. Mr. & Mrs. LaCour are members of the Maple Hill Missionary Baptist Church. They feel that God has called them to serve Him through service with The Matthew 25 Center. We welcome their help!



Volunteers Needed

Each fall The Matthew 25 Center sells BBQ plates to help with the operational expenses of the Center. Your support of this event is vital - whether you buy plates, provide needed supplies or volunteer your time to help. We will need help on Thursday (Sept. 3) to prepare cole slaw and on Friday (Sept. 4) to staff the sale and to deliver plates. If you would like to help, call Anita Joseph at (910) 259-7133.



Thank You

The Matthew 25 Center would like to thank everyone who helped to make the Center's booth at the NC Blueberry Festival a success. We would like to thank all those who purchased blueberry plants and those who helped man the booth. A special thanks is due to Jackie Barnhill, of Jackie's Nursery, who grew the plants for us.

Living Water

Out in the world running wild Not even caring I was my Mothers child. It all came to an end when I got caught Not wanting to admit it was all my fault. Out on bail fresh out of jail Hoping the others wouldn't tell. *My Mother saw me through elementary Now she was seeing me go to the penitentiary* While I was running I got tired and bored Finally, I gave my life back to the Lord. Listening to the Lord I turned myself in Knowing he said I was forgiven of my sin. Although I'm locked up and can't get out I'm starting to see what life's all about. Being free on the inside Still hearing people talk as I walk by. If they would taste and see that the Lord is good Maybe then they would act like they should *Walking this walk is not an easy task* I'm always looking for someone to ask. Am I doing this right? Or is this wrong? Seeking guidance through his word and song. Being where I am is making me see He's molding me daily for who he wants me to be So when you see me know I'm doing my best To listen to his sweet voice and ignoring the rest.



(Poem used with permission.)

This poem was written by an inmate while incarcerated at the Wilmington Residential Facility for Women. She has finished her sentence, gotten a job and is well on her way to straightening out her life. Her mother was a regular guest at The Matthew 25 Center when she came for visits with her daughter.