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*“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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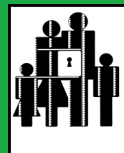
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“A home away from home for families who visit their loved ones in prison”

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**Merry
Christmas
From the Staff
and Board of Directors of
The Matthew 25 Center**



End of Year Thanks from the President



There are many items on my thank you list this year.....

Financial support: Did you know that 100% of our financial support comes from you? Individuals, churches, church organizations, and partnering organizations supported the center this year, despite our tough economic times. That tells me one dynamic thing; that you support what the center does, the purpose of the mission, and the fact that it maintains its Christian-founded purpose. We end the year in a fiscally sound position – thank you!

Work support: If you didn't already know, the center pays only one full time salary but the amount of work we get back is multiplied by our generous directors, and you! Jimmy and Anita are experts at saving operational money and making sure that expenditures are well thought out and completely necessary. Occasionally we pay for services necessary to the maintenance of the building and grounds but we have many who give of their time and talents to keep costs to a necessary minimum – thank you!

Volunteer support: Did you know that volunteers provide almost all of the direct costs associated with our fundraisers and 100% of the time? Each spring we pack up hot dogs, fixins, and baked goods and take to sell at Sams Club in Wilmington. Almost all of the supplies and food are donated. All of the wonderful baked goods come from generous kitchens across Pender County. Each fall a successful BBQ fundraiser is held at the center. Everything from pigs to cabbage is donated. Very seldom will anyone take a reimbursement for their purchases of all the supplies that come together for these fund raising purposes. The proceeds from each fundraiser are a direct result of generosity – thank you!



Together, we make it happen!

Sharon Baucom

Matthew 25 Happenings

Sept. 4 - Bar-B-Que fund Raiser

Oct. 1- 4 - KAIROS #18 Retreat at Pender Correctional Institution

Nov. 7 - KAIROS Outside Retreat

Nov. 20 - Parking lot sealed

Upcoming Events

Dec. 19 - Families in Crisis Christmas Party for inmate children at PCI

Jan. 4 - 7 - Rock of Ages Revival at Pender CI



Jan. 12 - 15 - Rock of Ages Revival at New Hanover CI

March 17 - 21 - KAIROS #19 Retreat at Pender CI

April 17 - One Day with God Camp at Pender CI



Visitors Come from All Over

Recently, The Matthew 25 Center hosted our fourth international visitor, a lady from Puerto Rico. She had not seen her son, an inmate at Pender CI, in over 5 years. Previously, we have had visitors from Canada, Mexico and the Philippines.

In addition to hosting family members from 69 counties in North Carolina, we have also hosted families from 25 other states in the US. While most come from nearby states, we have had visitors from Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Colorado and other distant states. Regardless of where they come from, they receive a warm welcome at The Matthew 25 Center.

