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“...inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me.”

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Jesus saith unto him,

I am the *Way, the Truth,*  
and the *Life:*

Have a  
Happy Easter  
Sunday!

no man cometh  
unto the Father  
*but by me.*  
John 14:6



## *Matthew 25 Happenings*

***December** we hosted nine family members coming in from Charlotte, Mooresville, Hendersonville, and Swannanoa North Carolina. Watha Baptist brought us donations that included cleaning and paper products. The center was decorated for the Christmas season.*

***January** we had 20 family members come to visit loved ones. In North Carolina they came from Asheboro, Reidsville, Charlotte, Winston Salem, Greensboro, and Trinity. We had one family from Port Allegany, Pennsylvania. We had an opportunity to share the Matthew 25 Center with the Respect for Life group at St. Theresa in Wrightsville Beach. We also had a booth at the 2016 Conscience Fair at CFCC. We received toys for the children from Andrew's Toy Box. Berry and Michele Cook donated food items for the pantry. At the board meeting we started planning for the year of fundraising; our first will be a Rummage Sale on April 2, from 7am until 1 pm right here at the center rain or shine. The Belk Charity event will take place on April 30th and tickets are on sale now.*

***February** 17 family members come visiting loved ones, one traveled in from Boynton, NY and the others were from Asheboro, Kannapolis and Charlotte, NC. Woodmen Life Chapter 244 brought in donations that included cleaning and paper products. Maricela Pineda and Beatriz Torres donated food items and water for the pantry. The roof is officially under way; they began tearing off the old and we are so ready for the new. Kairos Prison Ministry has begun their training for Kairos #30 that will be held March 17th through the 20th. Scotts Hill Baptist and Forgiven Ministry began preparations the 25th to set up for the One Day with God Camp on the 27th and prepare the program for the caregivers while the children go to spend the day with their dad's. They had an awesome day.*

## *From the Presidents desk...*

### *More about the roof.....*

The roof is coming along as you read this edition of our news. It may seem like we should just move on to another topic but it's just such a big deal I can't help but say a few more things. We've learned a lot through this process. We've learned that God really does take care of those things and people that are important to His Kingdom. Not that we didn't have faith that God would take care of the roof but seeing this blessing take place is still just such a blessing. If we could have replaced the roof the minute it started leaking (many years ago) we would never have known the joy that comes with just being faithful and patient. It would not have meant as much if we had not discussed it for years in our board meetings and prayed for it. We learned that good things do come to those who wait. But the most important thing is that this building means so much more than a roof, walls, floors and rooms. It means that this building will have many more years of life because of the new roof for the families who need to come and sleep under it. God's timing is perfect and we must never cease in believing that being in His will is where we do our best.

### **I am reminded of this scripture:**

*But those who wait on the Lord will find new strength. They will fly high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint. Isaiah 40:31*



*Sharon Baucom*



For all of you **spring** cleaners, we are getting ready for our first fundraiser this year. If you have items that you have been wanting to get rid of but just didn't know what to do with them you can donate them to the Matthew 25 Center for this event. We are accepting most items except clothing. If you have anything you would like to donate to the center please call ahead 259-7133 or leave at the front door. Items can be dropped off starting *March 21, through March 30th*. Thank you.

**Rummage Sale**  
**Saturday April 2, 2016**  
**7 am - 1pm**  
**rain or shine**  
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Always a need...

Shopping list

Toilet bowl cleaner  
 Air fresheners  
 Toilet paper  
 Paper towels  
 Floor cleaner  
 15 **white** hand towels.

Large flower pots  
 Potting soil  
 Paint brushes and roller  
 Painters tape  
 Hand soap

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Charity **SALE**

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*Project central...*

*Power washing the outside of the building.*

*Painting inside—we need someone with experience to do the trim.*

*The prayer garden—we would like to have a small gazebo for two.*

*Window washing.*

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