

Matthew 25 Happenings

December We hosted 12 family members from Troutman, Burnsville, and Morganton, North Carolina, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey and Sugar Grove, Virginia. *January* brought the new year in with 7 family members from West Union, South Carolina, Burnsville and Tarboro, North Carolina. *February* we had 8 family members coming in from Eden and Valdese, North Carolina, Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey, Port Allegany, Pennsylvania and West Union, South Carolina. We also hosted Forgiveness Ministry 3 days for their One Day with God Camp, Kairos Outside 2 days, and Rock of Ages 4 days.

The Tour of Homes and Open House was made special by decorations loaned to us by Taylor Treto, Teresa Murray, Debi & Willis Creech, Debbie & Randy Hornbeck, Helle & Valde Jorgensen, Melissa & Larry Rivenbark, Iris & James Lemmonds and Rowe Sawyer III. Also from the Matthew 25 board Patsy Perhala, Sharon Baucom, Tammy Blizzard, Priscilla Tyree, Lynn and Jill LaCour for their help and provisions to make the event wonderful. Additional help was given by Pete and John Dean decorating, Emily Sneed candy making and Debbie and Crystal Hornbeck cleaning.

We had to replace a heater motor in one of the guest rooms and the washing machine needs to be repaired or replaced.

Special Thanks go to Priscilla Tyree and Jimmy and Anita our "forever" back-ups for all of their help.

Thank you Liz Pate for all of the books.

Temple Baptist Disciples for Christ Class, Kings Chapel Youth and a few Burgaw Citizens came to tour the Center.



The Pender County ECA Silver Bells came to tour and left behind 20 bags filled with different items such as coloring books, puzzles, and personal items for the children and also the Binky Patrol sent 20 hand crafted blankets to go with those bags, Thank you ladies.

**Come take a tour of the Center and bring a friend with you. You'll be glad you did.
Just call 910-259-7133. We can't wait to see you.**

Anniversary Open House

Hello Friends:

This year will mark 10 years that the center has been fully operational. God has sent many families to be our guests while visiting their loved ones in prison. We have been blessed with being able to maintain the facility and continue to minister to those who are often forgotten. On May 4 we will hold an open house for you to:

- visit
- reunite with friends
- see what your support and work has made possible
- rekindle your desire to support
- join the board
- add to the "Raise the Roof" fund
- witness what God has done

We will serve light refreshments and present some interesting facts and share heartwarming stories on all that has taken place so far in the life of this ministry.

Sincerely,

Sharon Baucom