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Chapel Church gave a variety including paper

In kind gifts ...

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can't thank you enough

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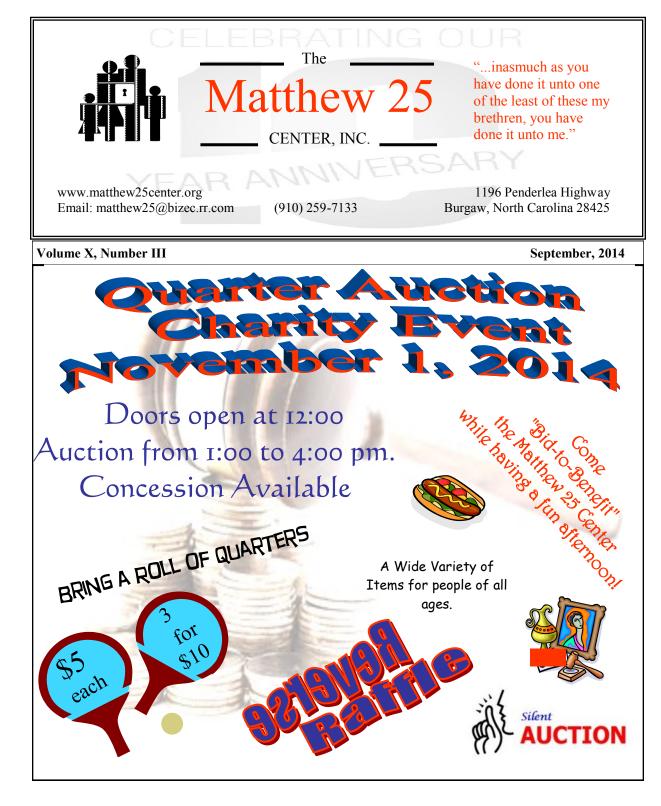
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Matthew 25 Happenings

June We hosted 24 family members from Roxboro, Gastonia, Burlington, Belmont, and Salisbury North Carolina; Port Allegany, Pennsylvania: Gaston, South Carolina and Sugar Grove, Virginia. We had a booth at the Blueberry Festival and made \$525 from our sugar bowls and blueberry nut cluster sales. We are waiting for the first batch of change to arrive. July brought 15 family members from Salisbury, Marshall, Greensboro, Reidsville, and Hickory, North Carolina, Cocoa, and Largo, Florida, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and Birmingham, Alabama. The final inspection was done on the air unit for the great room, so we are cool. *August* had 28 family members hailing from Tarboro, Greensboro, Troutman and Herford, North Carolina, Cocoa, Florida; Columbus, Ohio; Port Matilda, Pennsylvania: Unionville, Wytheville and Roanoke, Virginia and Gaston, South Carolina. We have had to have repairmen twice this month for two different air units, minor repairs were needed. We have a couple of eye sores out back and would like one to be a picnic area and the other a prayer garden, we have ideas, if anyone has a group that would like a project to work on, or donate to. We will be needing plants, fountains, an angel statue and bench.

Quarter Bowl Campaign underway.

We do have sugar bowls available if you would still like to get in the Quarter Bowl. We are asking participants to empty pockets at the end of the night into the sugar bowl and when it is filled to bring it to Matthew 25 (counted or uncounted) as a donation to keep the center running.

IT IS SO MUCH BETTER AFTER YOU HAVE SEEN IT...

Sunday School Group, Ladies & Men's Group, Church Group, Senior Group, Youth Group and Civic group — we would love for you to come take a tour of the Center, so why not plan a field trip for your next meeting so that you can see the center, hear about it and bring your lunch and chat about it. You'll be glad you did. Just call 910-259-7133. We can't wait to see you.

September 17-23 is Constitution Celebrate it by reading Week in America. Many of the men who signed the Constitution the Constitution this week. were deeply religious. While in Philadelphia during the Constitutional Convention, the delegates began each day with a prayer for guidance. This from will suggest, Mr. President, that propriety of nominating Ben Franklin: "I and appointing, before we separate, a chaplain to this Convention, whose assemble with us, and introduce the business of duty it shall be uniformly to each day by and address to the Creator of the universe, and the Governor of all nations, beseeching Him to preside in our council, enlighten our minds with a portion of heavenly wisdom, influence our hearts with a love of truth and justice, and crown our labors with complete and abundant success." Thus our Constitution was born.

From the Presidents desk...

Between Spring and Summer of 2013 the board found themselves looking for new directors for the center again. What an agonizing place to be. But one of the things this board can do is pray publicly over all issues surrounding operations, finances and finding leaders. We do it at every meeting and individually plea for prayer support for the center especially when going through struggles. We thought we had done something wrong until we realized God's plan cannot be wrong. About that time we had a couple interested and they were not strangers to the center. They were already board members. In 2011 Jerry & Paula Schwefel applied for the position and we chose someone else. They took the rejection well and wanted to work in any capacity that God lead them and so they joined the board. Looking back we appreciate how God works in all of our lives and makes no mistakes. We may not know all the answers but we know if we have turned it all over to Him. He guides us and it's never a failed plan. Last fall they started as live-in directors. This job is a 24/7/365 commitment and we could not be more pleased with their performance and dedication. It's been a year now and the biggest problem we have is keeping up with Paula. She is energetic and expresses a positive attitude towards her responsibilities. Jerry is a Jack of all trades and there has been very little he could not take care of. It is with the utmost appreciation that I say it's been a good year! If you decide to come by you will see what I mean. If you are a first time visitor or a veteran of this now 20 year work you will appreciate all that continues to be done for the families of incarceration in our area.

In His service, Sharon Baucom

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

PROJECT CENTRAL...

If you are looking for projects for you or your Sunday School class, women's or men's group or youth group, we have a few ideas. We have a couple of project to take on at the center like:

We would like a Prayer garden on and around a slab in the backyard also a picnic area. We have 4 wing back chairs that need to be upholstered. The Center needs to be painted.

If you are looking for something for the youth maybe they would like to do a car wash fundraiser for the center or work on a project here.

Give us a call if you would like to lend a helping hand or adopt a project 259-7133. Thank you!

Always a need...

- Raise the Roof Fund, with your help we can get the needed roof.
- Trash bags small 7gal, medium 13gal, large 33gal, and extra large 55gal.
- Laundry detergent, fabric softener, bleach, dryer sheets, spot treatment etc...
- Coffee, tea, hot cocoa, individual juices bottles.
- Liquid hand soap, airwick spray refill.
- Non-perishable foods such as: soups, canned meats, cereal (individual servings), breakfast bars, snack items, etc...
- Cleaning supplies, dish soap, scrubbing bubbles, toilet cleaner, disinfecting wipes, floor cleaner, etc...
- Paper products, toilet paper, napkins, paper towel, plates cups, dixie cups, cutlery.

Come out and see what the Lord has done here at the Matthew 25 Center. We are in our tenth year of operation serving families in 30 states and 3 countries thus far. We are a mission field "Keeping Families Connected" right here in Burgaw. Call for an appointment today.

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