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***THANK YOU!***

*In kind donations...*

Mills memorial brought in donations of paper and cleaning products.

Sue, Sonya and Kenley brought in paper and cleaning items also.

Cheri dropped off food for the pantry.

Victory Christian Fellowship dropped off paper products for the center.

The WBA provided our new yard sign for posting events for all passing by to see.

***Thank you!***

## Upcoming...

***Belk Fall Charity Event. Tickets available now.***

***Kairos #33 October***

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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.”

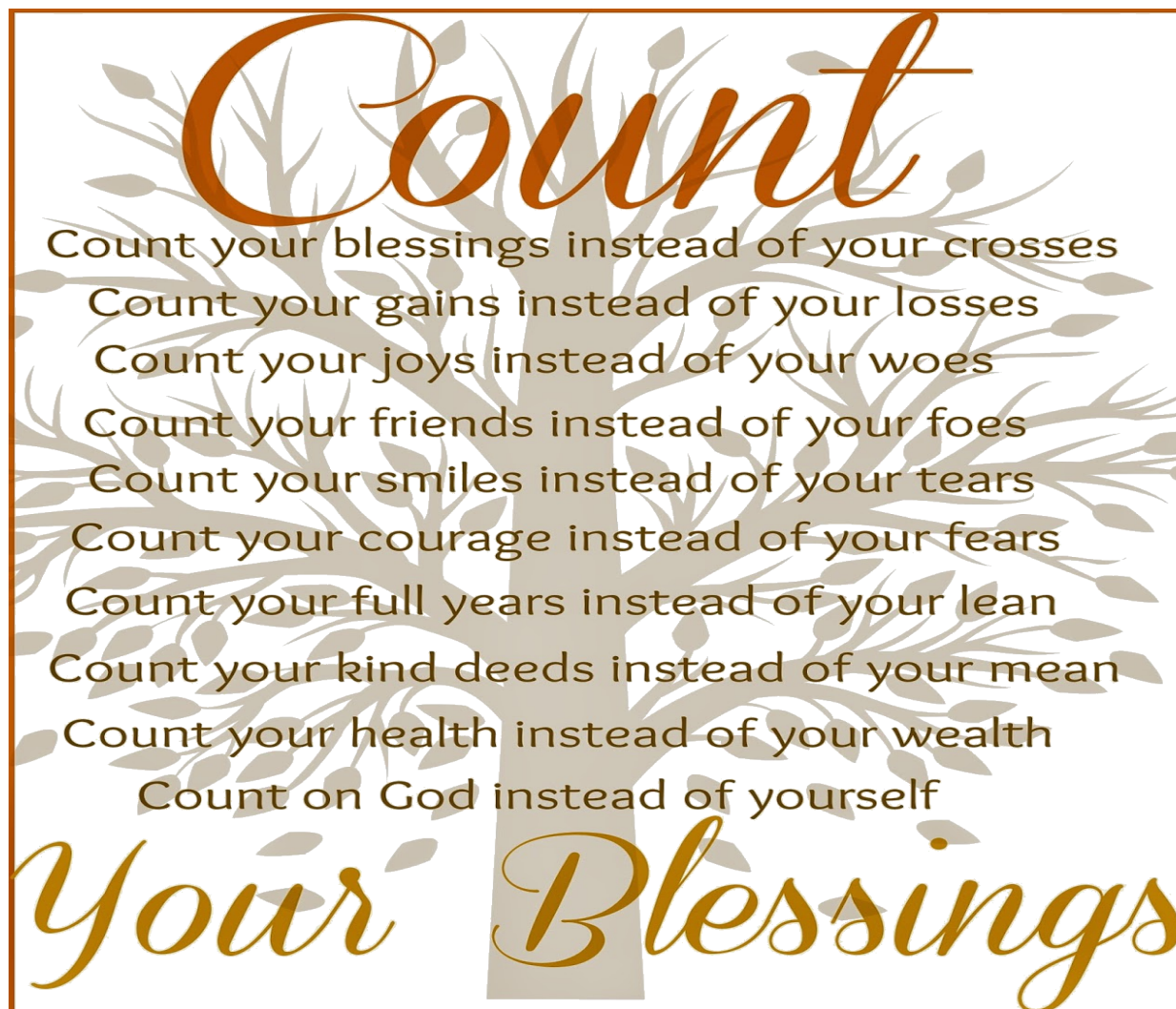
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*Count*

Count your blessings instead of your crosses  
Count your gains instead of your losses  
Count your joys instead of your woes  
Count your friends instead of your foes  
Count your smiles instead of your tears  
Count your courage instead of your fears  
Count your full years instead of your lean  
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean  
Count your health instead of your wealth  
Count on God instead of yourself

*Your Blessings*

## Matthew 25 Happenings

**June** 13 family members visited this month coming in from Statesville, Charlotte, Bennettsville, and Warrentonville, North Carolina. One family visited twice. The Matthew 25 at Tabor City group came out and toured the center.

**July** 7 family members made it out from Salisbury, and Nashville, NC and Columbus, OH. We were invited to speak to the Presbyterian Women of Coastal Carolina about the center and its mission.

**August** 18 family members out during our dog days of summer to visit came from Warrentonville, Marion, Mars Hill, Lexington and Winston Salem, NC from out of state Hanover, PA and Washington DC. We want to praise the Lord for The Matthew 25 Center at Tabor City, they broke ground on August 20th. Rock of Ages Ministry held their annual revival at PCI and stayed with us four days. Kairos Prison Ministry started training for their upcoming program in October.

### *Always a need...*

Paper Towels

Toilet bowl cleaner

We are preparing to redecorate the children's playroom and these are things that are needed.

Television and DVD player.

Children DVD's.

Two bean bag type chairs for the reading corner \$29.98 @ Walmart.

\$400 for the new shelf unit.



**With all the devastation from hurricane Harvey, Irma, Jose, and Maria — Please remember to keep all those affected in prayer.**



## *From the Presidents desk...*

Change of seasons.....

As a yard and gardening lover I'm noticing the change in the air and in the foliage and I can't help but think of how the seasons come and go so quickly. But while we are wishing upon the next one to arrive there are fond memories of the one leaving. This year I tried my hand at using flower seed harvested from blooms last



year and was pleasantly surprised at the life that sprang from them and I hate to see them go more so than the store bought ones.

But the greens are turning to browns and fall is beginning its show. As it is about to start the temperatures tease us with a few cool nights and lower humidity days. We anticipate this change. But let's not rush it along. Enjoy the change. There is a presence of life in each season that is still exciting and invigorating.

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says "There is a time for everything, a season for every activity under heaven."

One thing that never changes is that our Heavenly Father loves us. However, if we're not careful, we change our own seasons by turning away. If you are stuck in a season of doubt and you wonder why, seek Him. He does not promise or give us sunshine all the time; the clouds come but oh how much brighter we see when the sun comes back out. Let God's SONshine back into your heart so that you too can enjoy all of the seasons of life.

