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THE MT. COMFORT CHURCH OF CHRIST MESSENGER

CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS AND ONE ANOTHER,
WHILE SERVING GOD TOGETHER.

BANFORD HOUSE FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY– AI Morningstar **Incredible Impact: Serving Our Community**

The Banford House Food Pantry continues to be a vital resource for our community, acting as a beacon of hope for many families. **On average, the pantry serves 27 households, which amounts to approximately 85 individuals each week.** We are delighted to see a growing number of members stopping by to collect essential food items before heading to the grocery store. This support not only helps them save money but also provides relief from the increasing food prices that affect us all.

Our Heroes: The Volunteers

The success of this ministry is rooted in the dedication of our volunteers. **Over the last eight months, 17 individuals have generously given their time and energy to support the pantry. Notably, 11 volunteers have contributed every single month,** demonstrating unwavering commitment. In addition to their service, we deeply appreciate the financial contributions that supplement our regular budget, allowing us to continue meeting the needs of our neighbors.

A Call to Action: Join Us

We encourage everyone to feel comfortable utilizing the food pantry to help manage their food expenses. Please also consider those in our community who might benefit from this support. As Jesus reminds us in Matthew 25: "I tell you the truth, just as you did it for one of the least of these brothers or sisters of mine, you did it for me." Let us strive to embody this spirit of generosity and compassion in all that we do.

Stay Informed

If you are interested in learning more about our progress, monthly statistics for the past four years are available on the bulletin board in the hallway. We invite you to review these details to see the remarkable impact we have achieved together.

Thank you for being an essential part of this ministry. Together, we are truly making a difference in the lives of those we serve.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Today & Oct 12 | Church Wide Directory Pictures
Rm 102; before class & after services. Check your email to sign-up or call the office if you didn't get an email. |
| Oct 11 | Picnic and Pickin & Grinin' Entertainment At the pavilion; 5 pm - 7 pm; see inside for details |
| Oct 14 | LADIES BOOK CLUB At the home of Dixie Burkhart. See inside for details. |
| Oct 17-19 | MEN'S RETREAT At the Buffalo River; see inside for details |
| Oct 19 | WEDDING SHOWER for Miranda Hudson and Jessy Wade. Shower Room @ 2 pm. See inside for details. |
| Oct 26 | ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT
Church Parking Lot @ 3 - 4:30 PM. See inside for details |
| Oct | Baby GIRL coming SOON! Bretta & Chris Eaton. See inside for details. |

PRAYER LIST

Prayer Requests will be listed for up to 3 weeks at a time, unless further updates are received by the church office. Requests can be submitted via phone: 479-225-9878 or email: office@mountcomfort.org. Thank you!

Louis Barnes - prayers for quick recovery following a recent knee replacement.

THANK YOU

Tanya Lacy & Paulette Tate—We would like to thank everyone for the outpouring of love we received after the passing of our sister. The BIG hugs, cards, and prayers are truly a blessing! We love our Mount Comfort Family and can not express in words how much you all mean to us. Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the **Children's Home Inc "Change for Children" fund raiser**. This year we have raised a total of **\$6,922.85**. Last year we raised \$7,808.72. If you haven't brought your coin can back, please do so. It's not too late. We do accept checks for this fund raiser. We ask that you put in the memo "Children's Home Inc" and I will make sure it gets added to the amount. Thanks again!!

Nightlight Ministry

We would like to recognize **Leah Williams** or as most of us remember her as, "**Leah Sorrels**". She is a quiet spirit who would never request to be in the spotlight; however, she is our sister-in-Christ who could use our daily prayers and support. Human trafficking and human exploitation are a growing problem worldwide. You don't have to look far...it's in our neighborhoods. Thank you, Leah, for being willing to go to the darkest places in the world to share the gospel. May God protect you, as we know this work puts your own life in danger. Donations are her only source of income and she has faith that God will provide. If you are interested in writing cards or supporting Leah through funds, please contact the office at 479-225-9878 or via email: office@mountcomfort.org. You may contact her at 479-305-2110 or donate directly to her ministry at: <https://crm.nonprofiteasy.com//6373/Pages/fundraising/#/52> Under "Program" be sure to select: **Ministry of Leah Williams**

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER...

Lila Campbell
Eddie Kinzer
Lorene Adams
Montie Bailey

Mary Bruce
Kathy Walsh
Harold Shook
Nancy Bailey

THOSE SHUT IN...

Joe Conley
Kathy Hayes
Libby Laningham
Jack & Brenda Richardson
Janice Umberger

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Belated Birthdays

10/1 Amber Comer
Cody Keen
10/2 Paul Garner
Lisa Johnson
Chris Sanders
10/3 Angus Dawdy
Melissa Erks
10/4 Nancy Brands
Breeanne Carter
Erin Jorgenson

This Week:

10/5 Angie Bradford
10/7 Betty Broyles
Jerry Homishak
Bree Scott
Anita Woods
10/9 Logan Kiihnl
Jeanette Palmer
Melissa Tomlinson
10/10 Olivia Mae Stewart
10/11 Cody Jordan
Lila Mrak

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

10/6 Samuel & Melinda Mahaffey
10/7 Len & Janice Sharp
10/11 Larry & Janice Manry (57 yrs)
10/14 Paul & Carolyn Garner (61 yrs)
10/15 Marvin & Judy Higginbottom
10/16 Don & Brenda Wales (57 yrs)
10/18 Ian & Lauren Mrak
10/19 Will & Samantha Scarbrough
10/20 Matt & Reina Hart
Bentley & Lyndsey Stout
10/24 Victor & Linda Proffitt
10/26 Matt & Ann Morningstar

NEWS AND NOTES

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Living Life God's Way; The Study of James Every Tues. Location: **RFC Rm. @ 9:30 - 11 am**

PICNIC AND PICKIN' & GRININ' ENTERTAINMENT Sponsored by Hilltoppers

Oct. 11th @ 5 pm - 7 pm. At the church pavilion. All ages are invited. Bring your own food and lawn chairs.

LADIES BOOK CLUB

Will meet on **Tues., October 14th**, at the home of Dixie Burkhart. Our book is *The Summer House* by Lauren Denton. All ladies are invited. Please RSVP to Dixie: 479-353-6411

MEN'S RETREAT

Oct. 17-19th! We are planning a weekend at a large cabin by the Buffalo River. You can stay the weekend or come for a portion. Weekend price is **\$80 or \$40 per day**. We have room for 30 overnight guests. Scan the QR code or see Matt Wilson to sign-up.



WEDDING SHOWER

Let's celebrate the upcoming unity of **Miranda Hudson and Jessy Wade**. Shower will be held on **Oct. 19th @ 2 pm - 3:30 pm**. Shower Rm. Registered at Amazon & Target.

ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT

Trunk or Treat is coming up! It will be in our parking lot on Sun., **Oct. 26th, 3:00 - 4:30 pm**. This is a popular community event, so please mark your calendar to come participate in the fun! **A basket will be near the coffee area for candy bag donations.**

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Every 3rd Saturday of the month. Location: at the building. We will **NOT** have one in October because of the Men's Retreat. Next BF event: **November 15th @ 8:30 am**.

BABY GIRL COMING SOON!!!

Let's shower **Bretta Eaton (Wilcox)** with diapers & wipes! Maybe even toddler size & up clothes. This is girl #1. Basket is located in the front hallway. EDD: End of October!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Skate Party & Fellowship Night on Sunday, November 23rd @ 4:30-6:30 pm, at **Starlight Skatium** in Fayetteville (private rink). This is not a drop-off event. Guests are welcome. Please RSVP for food planning purposes at ***bit.ly/skateparty25***, or **scan the QR code.**



WEDDING SHOWER CELEBRATION

Ashlynn & Matt Neill. Nov. 1st, 1-3:00 pm. Shower Rm. Ashlynn is the daughter of Teresa Hartwig. Registered at Amazon. Scan the QR code.



PULPIT MINISTRY UPDATE

In August, we posted the pulpit minister job description on 9 different sites, including our personal website. As of Friday, Sept. 19th, we have received 21 interests. The Interview/Search Team of 10 members met last Saturday and went through all applications and watched several videos submitted by each applicant. The team will narrow down this list in October by having an in-person or video conference interview with each prospect. The team then hopes to narrow down the applicant pool to 2 candidates and schedule weekends for them to meet the congregation. Please continue to be in prayer for the Spirit to guide this process. Here are the members of the Interview/Search Team:

Reece Bailey, Glenda Davis, Rebekah Hopper, Matt Mills, Matt Morningstar, Yvonne Prater, Don Wales, Kenneth Wilcox, Elizabeth Wood, & Michael York

OUR SHEPHERDS

Joe Foshe	479-601-2122
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Mike Huddleston	479-466-0634
Rick Hudgeons	479-799-6470
Rich Leonard	479-466-8921
Mark Mahaffey	479-263-6674
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Matt Morningstar	479-790-8428
Anthony Spencer	479-238-5187
Kenneth Wilcox	479-422-0673
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To email a shepherd, please send a message to
elders@mountcomfort.org

OUR MINISTERS

Nathan Jorgenson - Pulpit Minister
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Sara Chance - Children's Minister
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Glenda Davis LPC, LMFT - Christian Counselor
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30am to 2:30pm
office@mountcomfort.org
479-225-9878



Monday - Friday
 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

info@mtcomfortsonshineschool.org

479-316-4597

After school care until 5 pm

Banford House

Community Food Pantry

3281 W Mount Comfort Rd

Wed. 9 am - 11 am & Thurs. 5 pm - 6:30 pm

Members anytime by appointment

banford@mountcomfort.org



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608 N Storer
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Sunday
 Bible Class 9:00 am
 Life Group 5:00 pm
Monday
 Freshman Dinner & Bible
 Study 6:30 pm

Tuesday
 V-Ball/Ultimate & Devo @
 Creekside Park 5:00-8:00 pm
Wednesday
 Bible Class at MC 6:30pm
Thursday
 Girls and Guys Bible Study
 7:00 pm



If you would like to send your contribution electronically, please scan to be taken to our Give+ Portal.

2025-26 BUDGET YEAR CONTRIBUTION RECORDS

Week's Contribution	\$51,130	Fiscal YTD	\$375,552
Weekly Budget	\$20,864		
Weekly Average	\$22,541	<u>2024-25</u>	
Weekly Children's	\$138	Week's Contribution	\$12,409
YTD Children's	\$1,521	Weekly Average	\$19,364

2025 ATTENDANCE RECORDS

Sunday, August 17		Wednesday, August 20	
Bible Class	221	Devo & Bible Class	125
Worship	451		

Sunday: Bible Class 9am, Worship 10am & 5pm, Wednesday: Devo 6:30pm & Bible Class 6:45pm