



The Good News from The John 3:16 Center

A Note From the Director

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Praise God!

I am so happy to share with everyone that since our last newsletter we have had another child accept Jesus Christ as his personal Lord and Savior. It encourages me when someone makes a decision to commit his or her life to Him and begin their walk with the Lord. Everything you have done to help us build a place like this for our families to participate in is exactly what God calls us to do.

I would also like to thank those who responded to our request for financial support in our last newsletter; we are now a little bit closer to raising our operating expenses for the year. It is truly a blessing to know that you are willing to help us witness to our local community by providing programs that lead our children and families closer to Christ.

Many exciting things are happening at the center; we are blessed to have a couple from Enterprise Baptist Church, Benny and Judy Conner, leading a Bible study on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 11AM. During this time they have an opportunity to witness to those who may not otherwise hear the message of salvation.

We are also gearing up for our auction, which will be April 29th. We look forward to seeing you there; last year was truly a great time of fun and fellowship. Details are included in the newsletter.

We are also beginning preparation for summer camp and as we did last year you have a unique opportunity to sponsor a child for our summer day camp program. This will enable a child to have fun, direction and a potentially life-changing experience at the center. Details are also included in this newsletter for your response.

Have a blessed Easter season and may God Bless you!

Juli

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Quarterly Newsletter

Since January at the Center

- ☉ Our afterschool children participated in a Tobacco Awareness program presented by Teens Against Tobacco Use.
- ☉ About 12 individuals came to a Bible Study offered at the Center.
- ☉ 25-60 children and adults enjoying outdoor recreation on our basketball court and playground daily.

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The John 3:16 Center
and Annual Fundraising Auction
will be held

Saturday, April 29th
At 7:00 PM

In the Littleton United Methodist
Church Fellowship Hall

(Next to the Post Office on Mosby Ave.)

We have antiques, collectibles, furniture, new and gently used household items, electronic/computer equipment, tools and much more. For more information call The John 3:16 Center 252-586-1800.

The John 3:16 Center is located at the intersection of East End Avenue and Hwy 158. The center provides a safe and structured environment for youth and their families to learn, grow and flourish as a family unit in Littleton and

“Career Day” Scheduled!

The John 3:16 Center will be hosting a “Career Day” on Wednesday, April 19th for the children of the community (Kindergarten through Grade Twelve). This is an excellent opportunity for these children to see some possibilities for future employment that may interest them.

Representatives of professional careers as well as trade/skill careers will be available to answer questions about their chosen professions. Some of the careers that will be represented include: Disc Jockey, Nurse, and Preacher. Representatives of several other career choices will be there as well.

The John 3:16 Center will be providing food and door prizes for the children who attend. If you have any questions or to let us know that you are bringing children to this event, please call us at 252-586-1800.

Volunteers Needed!

Our after school program is in progress, serving children from Kindergarten to 9th grade each afternoon! We are still in need of volunteers to help with the children in the program by assisting in serving snacks, helping with homework, and supervising play after the homework is complete.

Help would be appreciated in keeping our clothes closet sorted and in order. We also need help on Tuesday and Thursday mornings with distributing food. If you would be willing to volunteer even a few hours weekly or monthly to help us meet any of these needs, it would be greatly appreciated.



Summer Camp Plans



Plans for our 2nd year of FREE Summer Day Camp are underway! Our goal is to provide a day camp for 25 children per week for 7 weeks, allowing 175 children to share in this experience. Below you will find a sponsor sheet which will enable you to respond to this opportunity. Each sponsor will receive an “after-camp” update from the child they sponsor so that you may see how God has worked in his or her life because of your generosity. Last year more than 90 children participated and it was so exciting to see how God worked in the lives of those children. We are looking forward to working with more children this year and sharing Christ with them as they do devotions, make crafts, and play games. A donation of \$75 will enable a child to go to camp for one week. <>

Sponsor Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Number of Children you wish to sponsor: _____

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" 'For God so loved the WORLD, that HE gave His only
begotten SON, that whosoever believeth in HIM should
not perish, but have everlasting LIFE.' " -JOHN 3:16



The center will provide opportunities for parental and community involvement in the lives of their children. We look forward to realizing this vision by providing the following services through the center:

- After-school check-in
- Programs and structured activities for children
- Free summer day camps
- Weekend and holiday enrichment programs
- Outdoor recreation including a walking trail, soft-ball field, basketball court, and playground
- Counseling services provided by local agencies
- Parenting classes and workshops
- Conflict Resolution workshops (adult and youth)
- GED and Literacy classes
- 12 Step support meetings (AA, NA)
- Family outreach (free clothing, home furnishings, hygienic items)
- Food pantry

The John 3:16 Center Schedule

You Are Invited!

Date:	Monday-Friday	Saturday
Time:	10-6	9-3
Place:	The John 3:16 Center	

Please come by the center to see our many programs and services to the community!

Monday:	GED 10AM-1PM After-School 3:15-6PM
Tuesday:	Sorting Food 10AM-Noon Food Distribution Noon After-School 3:15-6PM Music Lessons
Wednesday:	GED 10 AM-1PM After-School 3:15-6PM
Thursday:	Sorting Food 10 AM-Noon Food Distribution Noon After-School 3:15-6PM
Friday:	After School 3:15-6PM Craft days/Special Programs
Saturday:	Free Play Family Days

**** The center is also used for weekly Narcotics Anonymous and Alcoholics Anonymous meetings