

Backyard Connect...



CUYAHOGA VALLEY CHURCH
JUNE 26 / 27, 2010
Opportunities for CVC to better love the world

CVC is committed to loving God, loving one another and loving the world. Below are events that can impact our community by connecting CVC to those in our "backyard", demonstrating the love of Christ.

By serving others with a heart like Jesus, we're able to point them to CVC as a place where they can discover a personal relationship with Christ. Then, we—in turn—grow. *Be a part.*

To volunteer for any of the events below, please see the enclosed response card.

Red Cross Annual Summer Blood Drive: Tuesday, July 27, 7am-7pm at CVC

Co-sponsored by WCRF 103.3 and The Cleveland Clinic

If you haven't donated since June 1, 2010, you are eligible to donate at this drive. Donors are encouraged to make their pre-drive appointment electronically or via phone by: Logging onto givelife.org and entering the sponsor code: CuyahogaValleyChurch. Or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1.800.448.3543). Computers will be available this weekend in CVC's foyer to assist in scheduling Red Cross appointments!

Incentives thus far include Chick-Fil-A coupons, a FREE canvas grocery bag, an American Red Cross T-shirt, eligibility in 3 different raffles, and more! Pizza as well as Chick-Fil-A sandwiches to be served during drive hours.

In addition to donors, Blood Drive volunteers are now being recruited.

☎ Gina Rutti, CVC x254 or grutti@cvconline.org

☎ Jane Rutti, CVC x208 or jrutti@cvconline.org

FREE Family Sports Camp at CVC: Monday, August 2 – Thursday, August 5

Registration is open! Volunteer Opportunities are plentiful!

- For kids having completed Kindergarten through Grade 6.
- Two session options: 9am-Noon or 6pm-9pm featuring soccer, basketball, dance, martial arts, and flag football. (Flag football is offered in the evening session.)
- Registration forms are available at cvconline.org or at CVC.

Family Sports Camp Celebration: Friday, August 6, 6-9:30pm, at CVC

CVC's annual celebration that includes a cookout, inflatables, carnival games, guest speakers, prizes and demonstrations of the skills learned at the camp. A whole lot of fun!

Sports Camp Participation or Sports Camp Celebration

☎ Denise Petek, CVC x206 or dpetek@cvconline.org

Brecksville-Broadview Hts. Schools Clean-Up: Saturday August 14, 8:30am-1pm

Semi Annual Food Drive: *Continues*

Food collected will be distributed to needy families in our church, as well as to Brecksville, Broadview Heights, Cleveland, and Appalachia. Pick up a bag in the foyer, follow the attached instructions, and return the filled grocery bags the weekends of June 26/27, July 3/4 and 10/11.

☎ Gina Rutti, CVC x254; grutti@cvconline.org.

"Loose Change for Life" – calling all filled baby bottles!

Celebrate life! Baby bottles may be returned this weekend to the designated area in the foyer. Proceeds go directly to the Cleveland Pregnancy Center, a Christian pro-life organization where families receive free, confidential services, emotional support, practical assistance while hearing about God's love and plan for their lives.

CPC is a separate, non-profit organization from Cuyahoga Valley Church.

☎ Sue Gilliland, 440-582-5125 or spgilliland@gmail.com

Please see reverse for this summer's Backyard Connect 2010 service opportunities.



LOVE THE WORLD on mission

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International Friends – Soccer Tournament, July 31 – August 1

International Friends is hosting a soccer tournament ministering to the international students in the area. Opportunities exist to get involved including food preparation and servers, registration, and general helpers.

☎ Tom Wright, 440.884.1177, tom@international-friends.org

Care on the Square (COTS) – Homeless Ministry Volunteer Opportunities

Care on the Square is a local ministry that exists to minister to those living in despair on the streets of Cleveland, providing hot meals on all Saturdays throughout the year, *with the exception of the second Saturday of each month*. Volunteer according to your schedule and giftedness. *COTS is a separate ministry organization from Cuyahoga Valley Church.*

● **Food Prep:** 9:45am–noon (at CVC) *Please call ahead to be placed on the schedule.*

● **Servers:** 11:30am–1:30pm (meet at CVC, travel downtown to serve)

Donations of food items are also accepted on a regular basis. Please see the list of items needed at the information desk in the foyer or online at www.careonthesquare.org.

☎ Patty Bodanza, 440.546.9565, pbodanza@sbcglobal.net

The Village Chapel – Summer Ministry Opportunities

The Village Chapel, a church plant of CVC, ministers to the people of Slavic Village. Multiple opportunities exist to get involved throughout the months of June, July, and August.

- **Kids Day:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11am-1pm *Learning, games, and lunch.*
- **Work Day:** Thursdays, 11am-4pm *Cleaning, fixing, and maintaining.*
- **Sports Camp:** June 28-July 1 and July 19-July 22, 1-3pm *Ministering through sports.*

☎ Judy Jaworski, 216.536.4983; villagechapel@gmail.com

The City Mission Volunteer Opportunities

The City Mission offers crisis programs for men, women, and children; spiritual aid for those incarcerated and their families; and dynamic programs for youth and their families throughout the year. Opportunities exist to serve using your area of giftedness. For more information or to view specific volunteer opportunities, please visit www.thecitymission.org. *The City Mission is a separate, non-profit organization from Cuyahoga Valley Church.*

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Short-Term Mission Trips

Slidell, Louisiana – Prayer Opportunity

From June 19-26, a team from CVC will be continuing with the rebuilding efforts in Slidell following the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina of 2005. Please pray for God's direction and protection for the missionaries as they serve.

Team Members: Victoria Bigler, Dale Burrell, Sarah Clarke, Jackie Hurst, Vickie Hurst, Megan Kraft, Shaleen Lynce, Dan Marshall, Erik Scerbak, Rick Sutton, Marian Tereschuk, Dawn Traver, Chad Vacco, Anna Zajak

Here to Help – CVC Food Pantry

The Food Pantry is a permanent part of how we, as a church family, care for each other and our community. Donations are accepted and needed on an ongoing basis. *This is a CVC-run ministry.*

If you need help, please let us know. The Pantry is available 52 weeks of the year.

☎ Greta Smith, CVC x267

Mission Car Wash Dates to Remember!

Donations only. Proceeds to support short-term mission teams.

Weekend of:

June 26 / 27

July 3 / 4

Appalachia Team

Impact Student Ministries