# SCIPIFS Let us gather as a Community of believers to CONNECT, GROW, SERVE & GO

[19] Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, [20] and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20 NIV

**SERVE** 

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." — Mark 10:45

We just wrapped up a sermon series on serving. People in the church are often self-centered and form habits that serve themselves, even at the cost of others. Most of the time they don't even realize what they are doing. Our sinful nature convinces us that serving ourselves is what is best and will bring us happiness. However, as Christians, we are called to live like Jesus. Instead of looking to serve ourselves, we are supposed to serve others by helping them know and follow Jesus. This is the real path to joy and fulfillment.

Jesus is the perfect example of serving others. He came to the world and rather than be served he himself served others with kindness, truth, and sacrifice. From healing those who were sick or possessed, declaring God's truth, washing the disciple's feet, and dying a gruesome death on the cross, lesus shows how to live the right way. He exemplified how to live God's way.

"You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love." -Galatians 5:13, NIV

Serving others involves commitment. Once again, we can look to Jesus as an example for this. He did not serve by accident, but daily chose to be available to do God's work. This meant putting aside his own desires and interests. He showed true humility and sacrifice while he helped people with burdens, sins, and false ideas. He was committed, patient, giving, and focused. He spent lots of time, energy, and resources to help others know and glorify God.

Upcoming

How can we love and serve others like Jesus? Here are a few ways to serve others in the church:

- Be regular in your church attendance (Hebrews 10:25)
- Pray for each other (Ephesians 6:18)
- · Share and give your tithes and offerings (Hebrews 13:16)
- Give encouragement (1 Thessalonians 5:11)
- Volunteer and work with intention and joy (Philippians 2:14-15)ideasWord (Psalm 96:3)

One of US President John F. Kennedy's bestknown phrases is: "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country". It is a great civic motto, which goes against the attitude of those who expect to get while giving little or nothing, and it praises those who put the general interest before their own. This is God's will for each of us.

The difference between a nation that rises and starts to walk and a nation that gets stuck without a future, lies in the proportion of people who choose to serve. For a church, you might say it like this: "Ask not what the church can do for you; ask what you can do for the church". The difference between a mature Christian and an immature Christian, is that the first asks what he can do for the church, while the second asks what the church can do for him.

I am very thankful for so many who serve our church. Your love and commitment are inspiring. You bless others and make Zion Hill a great church. If you aren't serving, please get involved. I would be glad to help you find a place.

Hope to see you Sunday,

Pastor Michael

#### Effective parenting

**Empty Nesters & Beyond** 

Sunday School Classes

with 9:15 am breakfast

- Co-Ed 2
- Ladies
- Children
- Youth

#### **Sunday School Seniors**

- Searchers
- Dorcas women
- Jubilee
- Salt & Light

Sunday Series: Navigating Conflict

Pastor Michael Luce October 13, 2024 10:30 am

Upcoming

K-5 Children's Church: **Sunday Worship Series Kids Series: Right on Time** Starts at 9:15 Beginning on October 27th, 2024

By Pastor Michael Luce

#### **OCTOBER FESTIVITIES**

OCTOBER is PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH!



Remember to tell your Pastors how much you have been blessed by them!

#### Susie Dodson's 80th birthday Celebration



Saturday, October 12, 2024 2pm- 5 pm Time to Celebrate! Bring your favorite Photo of Susie !

Fall Fest October 30, 2024



Food and games for all ages! OCTOBER 30, 2024 Starts 5:30 - 7:30 pm

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### STITCHING WITH LOVE MINISTRY

The Stitching with Love ministry is a group of ladies that meet usually on the first Thursday of each month in the fellowship hall. They bring in their portable sewing machines, material, scissors, tape measures and of course snacks and set up a mini sewing workshop to work on items piece by peace.

In a general month, they create about 100 care caps for cancer patients that are then distributed to UAMS and CARTI in NLR and in Searcy. They also create approximately 100 seat belt pads that are also given to patients at UAMS and CARTI. And along with that, they sew about 15 baby blankets with matching bib and burp cloths, 20-25 more bibs and baby caps, and about 45 small teddy bears to give away.







Most of these baby items are given to Options Pregnancy Center. What an awesome ministry these ladies have created!

So keep this in mind as the winter months are approaching and you aren't able to do as much outside work. Maybe you could come join the ladies and help make even more items for those in need. Sewing skills are not required! There is always a need for ironing, cutting, or even just help with organizing the materials. They would love to have more come and join in. Oh, and it's not just for ladies only .... men are welcome too! if you happen to have a knack for sewing. Come join them Thursday, October 10 at 8:30 am and see how you could be a part of this great ministry!

### **OCTOBER SERVING OPPORTUNITIES**

## Nursery volunteers Needed!

Love babies? We would love to have you on our nursery team!

Contact the Office zionhillbc@gmail.com Phone: 501-988-4989

#### Stitching with Love

Thursday, October 10, 2024 Fellowship Hall 9:00 am-12:00 pm Meets every 1st Thursday after this month

#### Hurricane relief



Donations can be made out to: Disaster Relief Fund

#### The Finance Team- 2025 Budget

If you or your committee has a budget request for 2025, pick up a form from the table in the breezeway. If your committee had a budget request last year, a form has been started, and there are blank forms provided also. Please meet with your teams and fill out the requests ASAP and return to the office or give to Diana Jones or Rick Bridges.

#### **Operation Christmas Child**

We are continuing to gather items for OCC. For the month of October the

items needed are scissors, brushes, tennis balls, marbles and Hot Wheel cars. You can also fill a bottle with \$10 worth of quarters to cover shipping of boxes. Please place items in the box in the breezeway.



#### **OCTOBER**

#### October 2024

Join Us Sundays! 9:00 Prayer meeting 9:15 am Grow Groups 10:30 am Sunday Worship

> Monday Nights at 6pm BetterMan

Tuesday Mornings Bible Study 10:00 am -Fellowship Hall

#### Fall Fest

Wednesday October 30, 2024 at 5:30-7:30 pm

\*October 11-Deacon Meeting at 4 pm \*October 20-Church Council Meeting at 4 pm Wednesday Nights 5:45 pm Family Meal 6:15 pm

Trail Life (Boys) Heritage Girls BetterMan Women Group GriefShare

Stitching with Love Oct. 10th at 9 am-noon

Men's Prayer Breakfast Saturday Oct. 19th at 8:00 am

NEW THIS MONTH



Starts Wednesday, October 2nd at 6:15 pm Dinner served at 5:45 pm **13 -week course** 

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

WE WILL BE KICKING OFF OUR NEW SERIES, RIGHT ON TIME, SUNDAY OCT. 27TH @ 9:15 WE WILL MEET IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL. FOR AGES K - 5TH

#### **SEE YOU THERE!**

#### School Days OUT

PCSSD—October 25 JNPSD– October 14 Cabot SD– October 14 & 25



Restore faith in Jesus, love for family, and hope for our country.



VOTING TIMES Early Voting Dates October 21-November 4 In Person -November 5



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Recent videos of Zion Hill's Sunday services can be viewed at www.zionhillcabot.com/sermons