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to Build a Better
Community."*

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P. O. Box 173 St. Stephens Church, VA 23148-0173

**2008
Dates:**

• **October
12th**

**Meeting at
Bruington
Baptist
Church**

3:00 p.m.

King and Queen Community Ministries

July 13th, 2008—Mizpah United Methodist Church

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The July meeting was called to order by Betty Jo Sims, Chairman. Minutes were approved as submitted. Rev. Brown opened with prayer.

Treasurer's Report

We are not sure if we will get the E.F.S. National Board Award again. The amount has been dwindling since 9-11 and Katrina. We are restricted as to how we can spend Federal money.

501c

Grants and programs are still waiting for us to apply once we have the 501c. Obtaining our 501c will be a top priority for 2008. If you can help with this project, please let us know.

Christmas Program

The Christmas Program needs volunteers to serve on the

board. They will meet to set up the calendar for the Christmas Project. We also need strong backs to help load the cars. The distribution site will be at Poro-porone again this year.

Thanksgiving Service

The Thanksgiving Service will be on Sunday, November the 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at New Mount Zion. Rev. Joshua Pittman from Upper K&Q Baptist has agreed to preach for the Thanksgiving service. We are asking for choirs to either sing as their own group or sing as a combined group choir. In the past the combined choir has worked well. If you would like to participate in the group choir, arrive at 6:15 p.m. for a quick practice.

Food Pantry

The Food Pantry needs proteins, peanut butter, tuna, canned meat, shampoo, soap, and toothpaste.

Community Pride Day

Community Pride Day is the October the 18th. We have registered for a booth and prepared a flyer to distribute. The parade starts at the King & Queen Courthouse Green and ends at King & Queen Central High School. For more information, please visit the King and Queen Infotrail and view the links. Join us and help pass the word about KQCM.

Fundraising Ideas

We discussed some fundraising ideas. It was suggested that churches host a "snow day." On this "snow day," churches will

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Treasurer's Report

General Account

Previous Balance		\$717.36
Deposits:	Donation from Shackelfords Chapel UMC	\$50.00
Total Deposits		\$50.00
Total Balance and Deposits		\$767.36
Total Disbursements		\$195.24
Current Balance		\$572.12

Christmas Fund - CD

Interest		\$3,241.77
		\$3.82

Total \$3,245.59

Emergency Food and Shelter Program		\$0.00
Current Bank Balance		\$3,817.71
E.F.S. National Board Program		
Award		\$1,750.00
Total Disbursements		\$1,750.00
Remaining Balance		\$0.00

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collect toilet paper, paper towels, and diapers. It was mentioned that we have some storage issues, but anything churches can do to help the citizens of K&Q is welcome.

Community Needs

No known emergencies at this time.

Clothes Closet

The Clothes Closet needs children's underwear. Please donate all sizes of children's underwear. We also need children's shoes. It seems that when there is a need, we never have the right size or appropriate gender for shoes. You may leave articles on the picnic tables at Bruington.

St. David's Episcopal Church in Aylett has invited the citizens of K&Q to visit their clothes closet. The St. David's clothes closet is open from 10 to 11:30 a.m. every Saturday. They also host a bible study from 9 to 10. Email CHJoysong@aol.com if you need additional information.

Community Involvement

There are no restrictions on wood delivery, so citizens may get wood as often as needed. It was also proposed that since we often have wood to spare it might be feasible to sell the extra wood. This would generate a little bit of profit for our organization.

Our New Website

Please visit our new website:
<http://www.worknotes.com/VA/kingandqueen/kqcm/index.html>

Check often for meeting information and donation needs.

Back To School Celebration

King and Queen Elementary School is hosting a Back To School Celebration for the children. The goal is to change the attitudes of the children and make going back to school a celebration. The teachers want to present each child with a "homework box" to keep at home. Joe Morris, parent and Smurfit Stone employee, arranged for the school to receive 350 boxes. Now, KQES is asking for help to put something in each child's box. Please drop off collected school supplies at Mizpah United Methodist Church.

The School Nurse at King and Queen Elementary School has requested: size 5-10 pants or shorts for both boys and girls. She also needs children's underwear and socks.

The next meeting is October 12th at Bruington Baptist at 3:00 p.m.

Betty Jo Sims adjourned the meeting with prayer.

The Food Pantries at Bruington and Poroporone will need restocking soon.

Our continuous needs are:

Protein items, juice, smaller boxes of powdered milk (although the large boxes are appreciated, they are just too large to handle), all sizes of diapers except newborn, Brunswick Stew, corned beef, tuna, shampoo, soap, combs, toilet paper, peanut butter, jelly, and canned vegetables. Cereal and oatmeal are always needed.

Recipients of donations are allowed food two times a year. They also receive a form to receive \$30 worth of perishable food if they have children, and they receive \$25 if they don't have children.

KING AND QUEEN ELEMENTARY

Nurse Duke says she needs: size 5 through 10 pants or shorts for both boys and girls. She also needs children's underwear and socks.

Also needed are tennis shoes. Used children's shoes of all sizes are needed.

We always need BELTS!!! Inexpensive women's belts that come with other apparel are great. They are easy to adjust to fit any age child. Men's belts are needed for our bigger boys.

Special Announcement

King and Queen Elementary School Teachers and PTO are hosting a "Back To School Celebration." The date of the celebration is yet to be determined, but we want to start our school year with a positive frame of mind. (Returning to school is a celebration, NOT a chore.) Joe Morris with Smurfit Stone arranged to us to receive 350 "Homework Boxes." In each Homework Box, we need the following supplies: one pack of paper, one small hand-held pencil sharpener, one glue stick, and several pencils. We started this project because

many of the children had supplies at school, but not the supplies they needed at home.

We would love to have the communities' help with our Back To School Celebration. Please check the School's Webpages for dates and times.

<http://www.kqps.net>

[http://teacherweb.com/VA/](http://teacherweb.com/VA/KingandQueenElementarySchool/SchoolHomePage/SDHP1.stm)

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Mr. Morgan, KQES Principal, invites volunteers to read to the children next year. Call the school for additional information. The number for the school is 804-785-5830.

LAWSON-MARRIOTT

No report

CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

No report.

CLOTHES CLOSET

The following items are seldom received, but are always in need: Sheets and towels, household items, nightgowns and pajamas, socks and underwear.

Sweatpants (all sizes), Underpants especially children's sizes, T-Shirts, belts, coats, hats, gloves, and bike helmets. We asked for bike helmets because our children often ride in Community Pride Day. Country children ride their bikes in fields and up and down driveways, yet once a year they

need a bike helmet. Children's shoes are always needed. It seems that when there is a need for a pair of shoes, the clothes closet will have ten pairs of children's shoes, none of which are the right size. Please purchase any shoes at yard sales or flea markets, then donate to our clothes closet.

Large size men's clothing and large size women's clothing are **always** needed.

Newborn and infant clothes are needed.

The Clothes Closet is open the first Saturday of each month from 10 to 12 noon.

Please leave items on the Bruington covered pavilion located behind the church.

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What Churches Can Do to Help Parents Raise a Child Who Reads

- Begin when the child is born and spend time reading.
- Sing to the baby.
- Repeat nursery rhymes.
- Visit the library. Ask about storytimes. Borrow books to share.
- Choose books with colorful pictures and simple words--or no words at all.
- Read with expression--or just tell the story in your own words.
- Hold the book so the child can see the pictures clearly.
- Let the baby play with the book.
- Encourage toddlers to point out objects, repeat words, and talk about the story.
- Reread the child's favorite books over and over again.
- Use the technique of **dialogic reading** to help a child stay actively involved with a story and develop reading comprehension. Instead of reading the story straight through, ask the child open-ended questions about the story: "Why do you think Goldilocks ate Baby Bear's porridge?" "What do you think will happen next?"
- Help the child develop **phonological awareness** (the understanding that words are made up of smaller sounds) by playing games with the sounds of words and repeating rhymes.
- Tell stories about your family and your culture.
- Encourage older children to read to younger children.
- **Be an example to children; let them see you read books too.**

Host a "Snow Day" to help restock the food pantries. During "Snow Day" all parishioners are asked to bring a paper product and create a snowman or mountain of snow.

I am willing to help with:

The Food Pantry

The Clothes Closet

Community Involvement

Community Pride Day

Help pick-up items & deliver items

Enclosed is a Donation

Meeting the needs of a child

My new 911 address is listed below

Christmas Program

Name _____

Address: _____

Phone number _____

Email address _____

Please mail form to: King and Queen Community Ministries, P. O. Box 173 St. Stephens Church, VA 23148-0173

Or email: philipians4@aol.com