

October 2015

Safe Families *for* Children

Monthly Newsletter



Events: SFFC Volunteer Orientation

When: Saturday, October 17th 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Where: Twin Cedars' Coleman Center, 701 Lincoln St., LaGrange

Who's invited? Anyone interested in SFFC ministry

**** Please RSVP by email to cgibson@twincedars.org ****

Discovering the Gift of Unity

There are many definitions of unity (joining together, combining into one, oneness of mind, harmony, or agreement.) Most sources agree that the result of unity is strength. There is power in unity.

God's Word shows us that unity is good and pleasant (Ps. 133:1) and that we should make every effort to be in unity (1Cor. 1:10, 1 Peter 3:8). Philippians 2:1-3 not only shows us the importance of unity, but of servant hood as a whole. It reads, "So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort in love, any participation

in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves." This verse leads us to the purity in serving Christ.

What happens when we come together in unity for Christ? Big things happen! Matt 18:20 assures us that when two or three gather in His name, there He is also. And Luke 1:37 says nothing is impossible with God!

That's why it has been exciting to hear different groups within our community share their God given vision and heart for unity. It is exciting when we can all hear His voice together, because that's a sign that we are "in one accord with Him." Kingdom things happen when we come together in unity; and that's exactly how Kingdom Community was created... believers coming together, unified in Christ. How awesome it is to see this happening in our community!

With Christ, nothing is impossible. Expect big things to happen in LaGrange, our surrounding area, and region.

Volunteers motivated by their faith...

"Ministering God's love to families in need"

Working together to serve others

Serving others is one of the most important things we can do. Christ even explained that He did not come here to be served, but to serve (Matt. 20:28.) He gave us a pure example of service and hospitality.

Giving our best is what's required and is deserved by those we serve. Safe Families for Children goes the extra mile for those we serve; and partners with equally

trustworthy providers in our community. Titus 3:14: "And let our people learn to devote themselves to good works, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not be unfruitful." We are called not only to work hard for others in need, but to be fruitful in our work.

Biblical hospitality is effective and fruitful. It's Christ's example and plan for His church. It's

rewarding with eternal rewards.

Understanding our call and purpose, coupled with our devotion and love for Christ, will produce great works and fruitful deeds.

When we work together, in unity, for Christ, big things are accomplished and our efforts are effective, because we have His strength.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Host Family
- Ministry Lead
- Family Coach
- Family Friend
- Resource Partner
- Community Outreach
- Support Groups
- Intake

There's a place for everyone to serve.

For More Information:

To become a SFFC Volunteer or to refer a family to SFFC, please contact:

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