

June 2015

Safe Families *for* Children

Monthly Newsletter



Events: ***SFFC Volunteer Orientation***

When: Saturday, June 20th 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 ****

Parents and Children need SFFC

Safe Families for Children doesn't just host children in their homes. Host Families become an extended family to parents and model Christian living and coping skills. Host Families connect parents to resources, opportunities, and relationships that will strengthen and restore them. Host Families cultivate a friendship and truly become like an extended family, someone they can call whenever they need them.

There are parents in our community that are overwhelmed, exhausted, and feel alone. They are struggling to survive and afraid of

losing their children if they seek help. SFFC wants to help them, just by being a friend.

Change is most effective in relationship with people who will spend the time needed to mentor and love someone else. A list of do's and don'ts can't change a life; but a friendship can. And the effects last a lifetime and are passed on to the next generation. If we would realize how powerful helping just one family at a time is, we could easily change the world. Each of us truly has the potential to be 'world changers.' Will you partner with us today?

There are many ways to Volunteer with SFFC:

- Become a Host Family
- Serve as Ministry Lead at your church.
- Become a Family Coach or Family Friend
- Recruit Volunteers
- Attend the Orientation and Training June 20th
- Pray for SFFC ministry and volunteers
- Volunteer in outreach, marketing, and social media...

There's a place for everyone!

Church & Community Partners:

- New Community Church
- Franklin Road Baptist
- City Light Church
- First Love Outreach
- The Good Seed Bookstore
- Troup Co. Baptist Assoc.
- Troup Co. Interagency
- Troup Co. DFCS
- Troup Transformation
- Troup Co. Sheriff's Dept.

For More Information:

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

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Volunteers motivated by their faith...

"Ministering God's love to families in need"

This Month's Study...

As I continued my study of Biblical hospitality and the early Christian Church... I've become broken and challenged; and I realize how far I am from where I need to be.

As I read Is. 58:7, Heb. 13:1-2, and Lev. 25:35, I understood the acts and expectations of hospitality. Then I read 1 Tim. 3:2 and learned it was a re-

quirement of the overseer or leader... Wow, that shook me. But then while talking to friends, I often heard, "our culture is different... we live in a different world" ... And I was tempted to accept that; but as I read Matt. 25:31-46, Jesus explains His return and how He will separate us by how we lived our life. And it pierced my heart when I read "...and I said

to those on my right... I was thirsty..., I was naked..., I was a stranger and you invited me in..." And I realized with my heart pounding that HE will characterize us by our acts of hospitality; just like the first centuries recognized the Christians by their acts of hospitality... My heart is challenged this month to align to His Will and not my own...