



THINGS DO NOT ALWAYS WORK OUT the way we want or hope. A seminary graduate was not assigned to serve at Open Arms. There are not enough graduates to fill all of the requests. This may be disappointing, but it is not the end of the story. God sees the big picture, we do not. He does promise to work everything out for the Good of Open Arms because He loves us all and calls us to be His people.

WHERE DOES OPEN ARMS GO FROM HERE?

- The Board of Directors and Elders will meet this Pastor Rob Kasper on May 21st to consider the options and next steps for Open Arms to take. The leaders will decide at that time about requesting a new Call list.
- Pastor Larry plans to continue serving as the Transitional Vacancy Pastor of Open Arms through the end of the year if need and nothing comes up that would prevent Him from serving.
- We trust the Holy Spirit to lead and guide Open Arms through these next steps.
- We pray for the Lord to continue to bless and guide Open Arms

THINK ABOUT GOD'S BLESSINGS TO OPEN ARMS

- Average weekly attendance at Open Arms continues to grow
- The Daycare is full and serving a variety of families from the area
- Team Tigers is providing weekend food for Tyler School families that request it
- Three adults and three children are preparing to be baptized at Open Arms

252 KIDS had another successful season that ended on April 30th. Thanks to Tom Giffen and the team for leading the excellent program for grade school age youth. Look forward to the return of 252 in the Fall.



FOOD DRIVE

LET'S FEED HUNGRY KIDS

April 27 through May 16



WHAT WE
NEED?

UNEXPIRED CANNED VEGETABLES
AND FRUIT CUPS.

Please drop off your donation in either of the Team Tigers drop boxes located near the entrance doors.

TEAM TIGERS THIS WEEKS NEEDS: Canned vegetables (biggest need). Apples
Oranges or Cuties Individual sized bags of carrots Granola bars Fruit cups
Squeeze applesauce Squeeze fruit Individual sized bags of freeze-dried fruit chips
Individual sized no-sugar added juice Oatmeal

IT'S TAKE OUT TUESDAY TIME: Open Arms is collecting \$25 Visa gift cards to be given to residents at the Wayne County VA Hospital so that they can order "Take Out" food on a Tuesday. Open Arms does this twice a year for Memorial Day and Veterans Day. This is one small way to say thank you to the men and women who have helped protect the freedoms we enjoy in America.

THRIVENT ACTION TEAM OPPORTUNITIES: If you have investments or insurance with Thrivent, you are eligible for two Action Team grants of \$250 a year. Here are some suggestions:

- Veterans Take Out Tuesday Gift Cards Daycare Graduation Party June 5
- Meal Time any upcoming month Team Tigers
- Summer Camp supplies starting June 16 Vacation Bible School July 28-31

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o_xOMNiH7_w&list=PLyqFOkxicbM17Z7Z0NvGMTmLv3Dck8Kt **WORSHIP MUSIC PLAY LIST LINK**

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