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Hidden Opportunities

What a mess, Julia thought as she walked into the kitchen and saw all the dishes. Then she remembered the special computerized glasses her dad had given her and told her to wear.

"They'll help you see life differently," he'd told her.

She pulled them out of her pocket and put them on. The words "opportunity to serve" flashed across the screen. Were these dishes really an opportunity for her to serve her family?

Julia blinked back the tears. Her friend's words stung. Julia felt anger at the injustice rising in her heart. She pulled out her glasses. "Opportunity to love" flashed across the screen. Could her friend's insensitivity and lies actually be an opportunity for her to grow in love?

Julia moped around the house for a day before she remembered her glasses. When she put them on and looked at her ankle, the words "opportunity to trust" flashed across the screen. Could even this ankle be an opportunity rather than an obstacle?

Little by little, Julia's glasses changed how she saw the world and how she lived. She discovered that the very things she often complained about were really opportunities in disguise.

"For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal."

2 Corinthians 4:17-18 (ESV)

NEWS & NOTES

Secret Prayer Sister activity-if you would like to participate please let Nadine know ASAP

Feb. 13 @ 9:30 am-Tues. morning Bible Study via zoom

Feb. 16- 5pm Young Adults- will meet at the sports center for laser tag then at the church building for a Bible study. See Zach or Tori for details

Feb. 24 @ 4pm Game Night see flyer on back table

March 2nd-Ladies Night Movie & Dinner- time to be determined-The movie is

Ordinary Angels .Lisa Saracino is organizing . more details to come'

April 27th Give Away Day- fill out sheet on back table as to what you might contribute and return to Pat by **mid February**.

See other upcoming events on back table.

Remember to contribute to the Spooner House food collection, and to our own food pantry, Barnabas Project- if interested in joining contact Mary Lou (475)529-5751

*Pray for **Desrine Forbes'** health
 *Pray for **Daryl Smith** who recently had a kidney transplant.
 *Pray for **Ron** who recently tested positive for covid
 *Pray for **Jess Taylor's** remaining 2 months of pregnancy.
 *Pray for **Paula Ross's** sister and B-I-L, their house recently burned down.
 *Pray for **Simone Beans** who is struggling with several health issues and recuperating from covid
 *Pray for **Eric Reynolds father** who has been in and out of the hospital.
 *Pray for Chelsey Eddy's grandfather, **Raybern Ragland**, is recovering from a stroke
 *Pray for all those who have/or are recovering from covid.
 *Pray for **Marie Preteska** who is dealing with a difficult situation, also for the **Cerminara, Bonadio, DiScala families.**
 *Pray for **Kevin Early** (Bruce's B-I-L) who is struggling with a mental health crisis.
 *Pray for **Carol Ligori** who is in severe pain due to sciatica.
 *Pray for **Emille Jones**, recently diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma. He is awaiting PET/CT scan results and is also in a lot of pain.
 *Pray for **Mike Fernandes**, Ray's brother, who is dealing with several health issues. Also prayers for Mike's granddaughter **Mallory.**

*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen** (Ron's friend), **Sarah** (Angela's niece), Tom Byer
***Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.**
 *Pray for **families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to**, that they may turn to the Lord. Special prayers **for our church leaders.**
 Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones: Allie Saracino-Cherie, Bob and Joanne Discala-Virginia, Greg & Linda, Gina Porto
***Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses:**
 Nadine Keller, Greg & Linda Cerminara, Jeremy Sazone, Flo Repecko, Pat Yaglowksi. Meegan and Irene, Sylvia Sandoval, Nuris Gomez, Mildred, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes. , Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.

 *Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School-** contact Ron
 ***Opportunities** to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

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Wednesday Night Bible Study
 7:00 pm via zoom
 Bible class Sun. 10 am, worship service 11 am
 Online bible class and worship service go to our website: trumbullchurchofchrist.org
Week of 2/11/24
Song Leader : Derin Wilson
Lord's table: Ray Fernandes
Closing Prayer: Pat Keller
Usher: Bob Discala
Week of 2/4/24-2/10/24
Donations \$5267 Expenses: \$4199