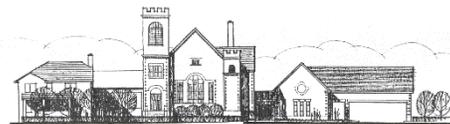


# Canfield UMC Friendly Visitor

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## Pastors Ponderings

## Nonstop Thanks

During November, I will be preaching a sermon series entitled, “Nonstop Thanks.” A Pledge card will be sent to you this month and you can pray and discern how much financial money you want to give to the ministries of the Canfield United Methodist Church. You can pledge to support the general church fund, give towards the Audio-Visual funds, or towards the fellowship hall roof funds. I encourage you to reflect upon the blessings God has given you and to pledge a financial gift to support ministries of the church in sharing Jesus Christ’s grace and love. Take time in November and give thanks and praise to God for the blessings he has given us. Reflect on this passage from Ephesians 1: 15-21:

*<sup>15</sup>For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God’s people, <sup>16</sup>I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit <sup>[a]</sup>of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. <sup>18</sup>I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, <sup>19</sup>and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength <sup>20</sup>he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.*

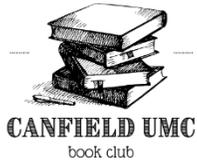
Give Nonstop Thanks to God for all the blessings he gives us and for the opportunity to do ministry that shares his blessings with the people around us. Take time this month to fill out a pledge card and decide how much financial you can give to the church to support God’s ministry of sharing Christ with the world. You can mail the pledge cards to the church or bring them in person and on the final Sunday of November, the 30<sup>th</sup>, we will be praying over the pledge cards in the church worship service. As your pastor, I thank you for the financial support and time given to ministries of the Canfield U.M.C. and I look forward to the ministries we will be doing with God the Father in this next year. Remember that Jesus Christ’s grace and love is generous in our lives, and he calls us to give God Nonstop Thanks!



## Thank you! Thank you!

We are incredibly grateful to the Turkey Dinner volunteers as well as all who supported our fundraising efforts this year.





Canfield UMC Book Club will meet Thursday, November 20th at 4:30 p.m. with Lisa Zetts leading the discussion of [The Book Club for Troublesome Women](#) by Marie Bostwick.

Please bring suggestions for December and January.



The November meeting of the United Methodist Women will be Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at noon. Jill Kercher will be presenting "Being in Mission to Community and Self." The December meeting will be Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at noon. Both meetings will be in the atrium and refreshments will be served. All women are welcome. Bring a friend!

**Hear Ye, Hear Ye...  
the gauntlet has been thrown down!**



**Western Reserve United Methodist Church**

**vs.**

**Canfield United Methodist Church**

**are in a NECK and NECK competition to fund a chicken for every pot for Canfield Operation Blessings' Thanksgiving meal in a bag food drive!**

**Please help - 90 chickens are needed, no questions asked.**

**Please fill an envelope and put it in the chicken pot on the sanctuary table.  
October 5<sup>th</sup> through November 9<sup>th</sup>**



For our Special Christmas Offering, members can order a poinsettia for the altar or make a gift to the Music Fund. Flowers can be taken home after the Christmas Eve service. Please consider making your donation to the Music Fund if you are not interested in taking a flower home.

Deadline to order poinsettias is December 15<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$10.00.



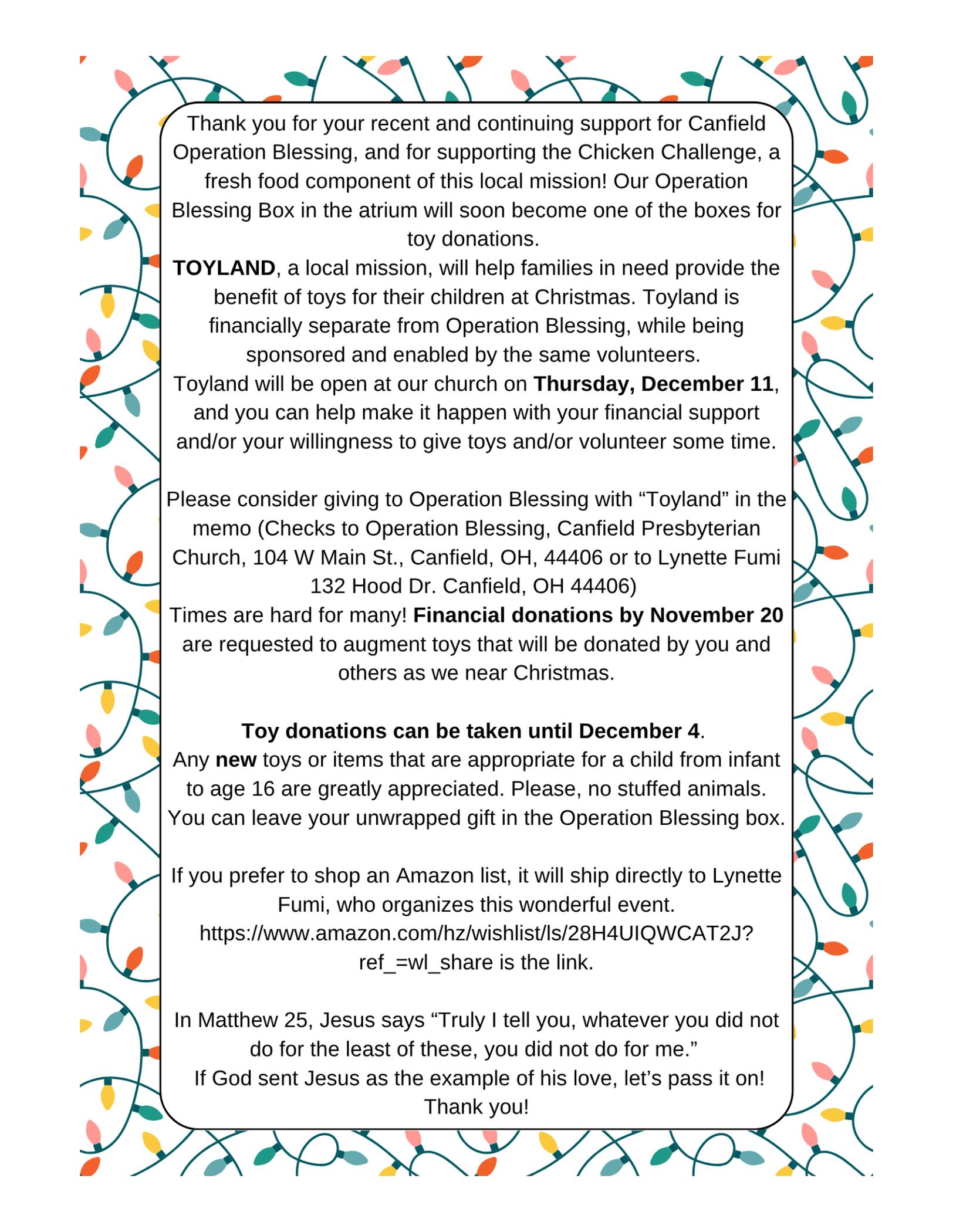
## MISSIONS

For November, we will be supporting Operation Blessing's Toyland Operation (see next page).



Clickable link to the Amazon Wishlist:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/28H4UIQWCAT2J?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/28H4UIQWCAT2J?ref=wl_share)



Thank you for your recent and continuing support for Canfield Operation Blessing, and for supporting the Chicken Challenge, a fresh food component of this local mission! Our Operation Blessing Box in the atrium will soon become one of the boxes for toy donations.

**TOYLAND**, a local mission, will help families in need provide the benefit of toys for their children at Christmas. Toyland is financially separate from Operation Blessing, while being sponsored and enabled by the same volunteers.

Toyland will be open at our church on **Thursday, December 11**, and you can help make it happen with your financial support and/or your willingness to give toys and/or volunteer some time.

Please consider giving to Operation Blessing with "Toyland" in the memo (Checks to Operation Blessing, Canfield Presbyterian Church, 104 W Main St., Canfield, OH, 44406 or to Lynette Fumi 132 Hood Dr. Canfield, OH 44406)

Times are hard for many! **Financial donations by November 20** are requested to augment toys that will be donated by you and others as we near Christmas.

**Toy donations can be taken until December 4.**

Any **new** toys or items that are appropriate for a child from infant to age 16 are greatly appreciated. Please, no stuffed animals. You can leave your unwrapped gift in the Operation Blessing box.

If you prefer to shop an Amazon list, it will ship directly to Lynette Fumi, who organizes this wonderful event.

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In Matthew 25, Jesus says "Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for the least of these, you did not do for me."

If God sent Jesus as the example of his love, let's pass it on!

Thank you!



Happy November! This month is full of fun, friendship, and gratitude as we learn about thankfulness and celebrate together before our Thanksgiving break.

We're excited to host our Annual Thanksgiving Snack Feast! The children have been busy learning about family traditions, gratitude, and sharing. We'll enjoy a special meal together to celebrate the season and share songs and smiles before our Thanksgiving break begins.

School will be closed from Wednesday, November 26 through Monday, December 1.

We'll reopen on Tuesday, December 2.

We hope you enjoy this special time with family and friends! We are so thankful for all of our wonderful families. Your support, kindness, and partnership mean the world to us.

Have a warm and joyful Thanksgiving!

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### Youth Events November and December

#### Events for Youth 5<sup>th</sup> Grade through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade:

November 16<sup>th</sup> 3-5 p.m. - Project Feed at United Methodist Church of Kent  
RSVP to Miss Liz by November 6<sup>th</sup>

November 23<sup>rd</sup> 6-7:30 p.m. - Friendsgiving Youth Group Combined at Boardman UMC

December 21<sup>st</sup> time TBA - Youth Group Christmas Caroling at Copeland Oaks

#### Events for Families with Children from Preschool through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade:

~~November 9<sup>th</sup> 5-7 p.m.~~ moved to December 14<sup>th</sup> 6-7:30 p.m. - Family Game Night!



ADVENT/CHRISTMAS/EPIPHANY HAPPENINGS  
at Canfield UMC

Plan to join us!

-Sunday, November 16- “Moving the Stuff” following Worship  
(Able-bodied souls are asked to help move decorations to ground level)

-Sunday, November 23- “Hanging of the Greens“ following worship!  
Giving Trees, Chrismon Tree, Garlands, Door wreaths (to MUSIC!) 🎵

-Worship each Sunday, with message and music to anticipate Christmas  
-Volunteer (individual or family) to read Scripture/ light the Advent  
Wreath



ADVENT ONE-November 30-  
lighting the Blue Advent candle for HOPE

ADVENT TWO-December 7-  
Lighting the Blue Advent Candle for PEACE

ADVENT THREE-December 14-  
Lighting the Pink Advent Wreath Candle for JOY  
A Brass Quintet offers Christmas Music

ADVENT FOUR-December 21-  
Lighting the Blue Advent Candle for LOVE  
Final Sunday before Christmas!



CHRISTMAS EVE-December 24, 4:00PM Worship  
Traditional Candlelight Service

CHRISTMAS DAY-December 25-The first day of Christmas!

HE IS BORN-December 28-Worship-to continue the celebration!

EPIPHANY-January 4-Three Kings!

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Non-profit  
Organization  
Permit 19  
Salem OH



## JOIN US!

Worship 9:00AM

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[facebook.com/CanfieldUMC/](https://facebook.com/CanfieldUMC/)



Sue Bell, Donna Bricker,  
Ron Musgrove Jr.,  
Ron Musgrove Sr., Birdie  
Reinhart, Debbie Schrock,  
and Donnie Yoho.

Our members at home.

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