Food Cupboard Needs

The Food Cupboard team serves those in need here in our body and in the Boise community. We'd love your help replenishing our shelves if you can contribute goods or funds. Monetary gifts may be made by writing "Food Cupboard" in the memo on your check or electronic payment.

### **CURRENT NEEDS**

- Body bar soap (unscented)
- Toothpaste (small size)
- Shaving cream
- Disposable razors (in packs)
- Progresso Chicken & Rice soup
- Progresso Cream of Mushroom soup
- Olive oil

# JANUARY 2023

Elder Applates.

If you had to pick one word for Cole Community Church to focus on going into 2023, what would it be? Many could be chosen, but the first one that springs to my mind is "hope." The hope that comes from feeling confident that God will soon reveal clearly to us what direction He wants our flock to follow. The hope that our faithful and loving God is going to do something new with his flock here at Cole Community, and the hope that it will spring forth this year.

Isaiah 43:19 says, "See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." Does that remind you of our current state here at Cole Community?

God is doing a new thing here, and the Elder Board continues to seek God's will for this new direction. Our Pastoral Search Committee is still working diligently at interviewing possible Lead Pastor candidates, and we continue to explore the possibility of merging with another church body.

We feel that we are nearing a "fork in the road" that God has for Cole Community, and that He will reveal to us which fork to take soon. Please continue to pray for us and the Pastoral Search Committee as we explore our options, and please save your afternoon on February 26 for a Church Family Meeting so we can share our thoughts on our future as well as other developments from this past quarter. Until then, remain in prayer for God's leading, and remain hopeful.

Be sure to read our other updates as well on our Elder Update page. Highlights from this month include:

- New Elder Candidate Update
- Deacon Handbook in Process
- January Pastoral Search Committee
- Save the Date for a Church Family Meeting

Today's Scripture Fannary 22, 2023

PASSAGE: II Corinthians 4:1-6, Do Not Lose Heart

**TEACHER:** Chuck Butler, Keenagers Pastor

MUSIC: Steve Alderete, Interim Worship Leader

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#### **SIGN UP FOR SUPPER FOR 6-8** Want to get to know others from

this church body? You're cordially

invited to Supper for 6-8 where you'll enjoy a meal with a small group of individuals over the next few months. Sign up to



host and/or attend online at https:// colecommunity.org/event/sign-up-forsupper-for-six.

## **MEN'S RETREAT JAN. 27-29**

Get ready for the Men's Winter Retreat in McCall, Idaho on January 27 - 29. We'll be combining with the men for The Pursuit Church this year, and our speaker will be Pastor and Author Dave Gibson. Dave has been a fry cook, wheat harvester, freight dock worker, professional forester, Bible college teacher, senior pastor, and international missionary. Dave's theme for the weekend will be

Identity, Confidence, Self-Control and Selflessness. Register online by going to https://subsplash.com/ thepursuitchurch-id/lb/ ev/+dcwcs35.



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