

WELCOME TO FRIENDSHIP!

SUNDAY, May 24, 2026

We're glad you're here!

1391 Sykesville Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784

Office: 410 442-5506

Sunday Services (English): 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Service (Spanish FBC en Espanol): 9:30 a.m.

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Information for Your First Visit with Us:

(1) Our 8:15 Service is recorded

(2) Giving/Stewardship

If you are our "Guest" in worship today, please do not feel obligated to put money in the offering plate. Our members and regular attenders have made sacrificial commitments to support the ministry of our Church both here and around the world. As our guest, please feel free to fill out the "Welcome Card" and place it in the offering plate. However, for those who desire to financially support the ministry of FBC, you can use the offering envelope in the seat in front of you, you can ask for a yearly set of offering envelopes, or you can also take advantage of Online Giving. For Online Giving, simply scan the QR Code to the right, and it will take you directly to our giving website where you can choose a donation option.



(3) FBC Firearm "Concealed Carry" Policy

In order to address insurance coverage and safety issues, FBC has established a firearm "Concealed Carry" policy. If you have a current Maryland Concealed Carry permit, please be advised that in order to Conceal Carry on FBC property you must have written permission to do so. A process has been established, please contact the Pastoral Staff or Deacons for more information.

This Week's Schedule

Today	8:15am	English Worship Service in sanctuary
	9:30am	FBC en Espanol Worship Service in sanctuary
	9:45am	Adult Spring Disciple-U Topics (classrooms) CLASS 401 "Discovering My Life Mission (2 of 3) (meeting downstairs, room 101, by elevator) "Power Kidz Hour" (downstairs for PS 4 - Grade 5) "Power Kidz" Grow Groups (classrooms) (Jesus' Ministry Continues...Session 2...Jesus at Passover) Student NextGen Grow Groups (classrooms)
Mon.	11:00am	English Worship Service in sanctuary FBC en Espanol Grow Group "Power Kidz" Worship Service (as above) Student Worship (downstairs SALT House)
	7:00pm	Young Ladies Connection Group (Jessie 443 388-6296 & Hannah 410 596-4824) Church Office Closed
	7:00pm	Connections Group (Jim Croft 410 596-3347) Men's Connections Group (Mark Tapscott 301 275-6645)
Tues.	7:00pm	Ladies Connections Group (Joyce Thompson 443 527-5783)
		Ladies Connections Group (Carmen Castiglia 410 491-4210)
Wed.	2:00pm	Connections Group (Nelson Miles 410 549-1087)
	6:30pm	Bonfire (see insert) NO Mid-Week WeCare Groups: NO Adults (Pastor Mark K, room 115) NO Young Adults (Garrett Bittinger, room 201) NO Ladies Study Group (Darlene Ely, room 101) NO AWANA Clubs (age 3-grade 5...F.Hall) NO Students (grades 6-12, room 108)
Thurs.	7:00pm	Worship Arts Rehearsal (sanctuary)
	10:00am	Power Kidz Families' Play Group (see insert)
	6:30pm	Connections Group (Mick McNary 410 294-6141) Student NextGen Worship Rehearsal
Sat.	7:00pm	Men's Connection Group (Ken Walk 410 790-1592)
	10:00am	Young Adults to Hershey Park FBC en Espanol Mother's Day Event
Sun. 5/31	9:45am	San Francisco Commissioning Service CLASS 401 "Discovering My Life Mission" (ends)



National Memorial Day Observance

Memorial Day is a time for all Americans to pause, remember, & honor all military members who have died in combat. *Tomorrow, our Nation will take a **Moment of Silence at 3pm** to reflect on their sacrifice for our freedoms.*

Bonfire This Week: Register TODAY...Details on insert

Ester Nieto, Leader
Students (gr. 6-12)
"NEXT GEN Ministry"



Info: fbcmd.org or e_nieto@wecare.org

- Wednesday Night "Grounded" 6:45 — 8:00 PM

Meeting downstairs in room 108 where you can pause, reflect, and grow deeper in your walk with God. Refreshments available. And, "Career Share Nights" are the newest impactful addition to Wednesday night gatherings. On scheduled nights, students will hear from adult professionals about their workplace journeys, challenges, and how God is present in all different careers. It's designed to help students begin to see their future not just as a job, but as a calling.

- Thursday Night "Worship Nights" 6:30pm

Our Thursday Worship Nights are becoming a powerful space where students come together to encounter God in a deeper way. Student musicians are invited. Join the group leading a unique Rehearsal Night for Next.Gen Ministry Sunday morning worship experiences.

- Sunday Morning "Next Gen" 9:45—10:45am Grow Groups

The Gospel Project is a weekly Bible study that will help you dive deep into the big story of the Bible—God's plan to rescue His people through His Son, Jesus Christ. Focus on Jesus...Connect the dots...Live the story...Encourages you to ask tough questions about what Christians believe, and expect real answers.

- Sunday Morning Worship Experience! 11am

It's good to be together, worshipping the Lord Jesus Christ. Students are encouraged to join together, downstairs, and their parents are welcomed, too!

- Student Ministry Highlights

Details on any events are posted on the downstairs S.A.L.T. House bulletin board. Sign up & Permission Slip required; guests welcome! Questions? Contact Ester at ["e_nieto@wecare.org"](mailto:e_nieto@wecare.org).

Last Week's Stewardship Report

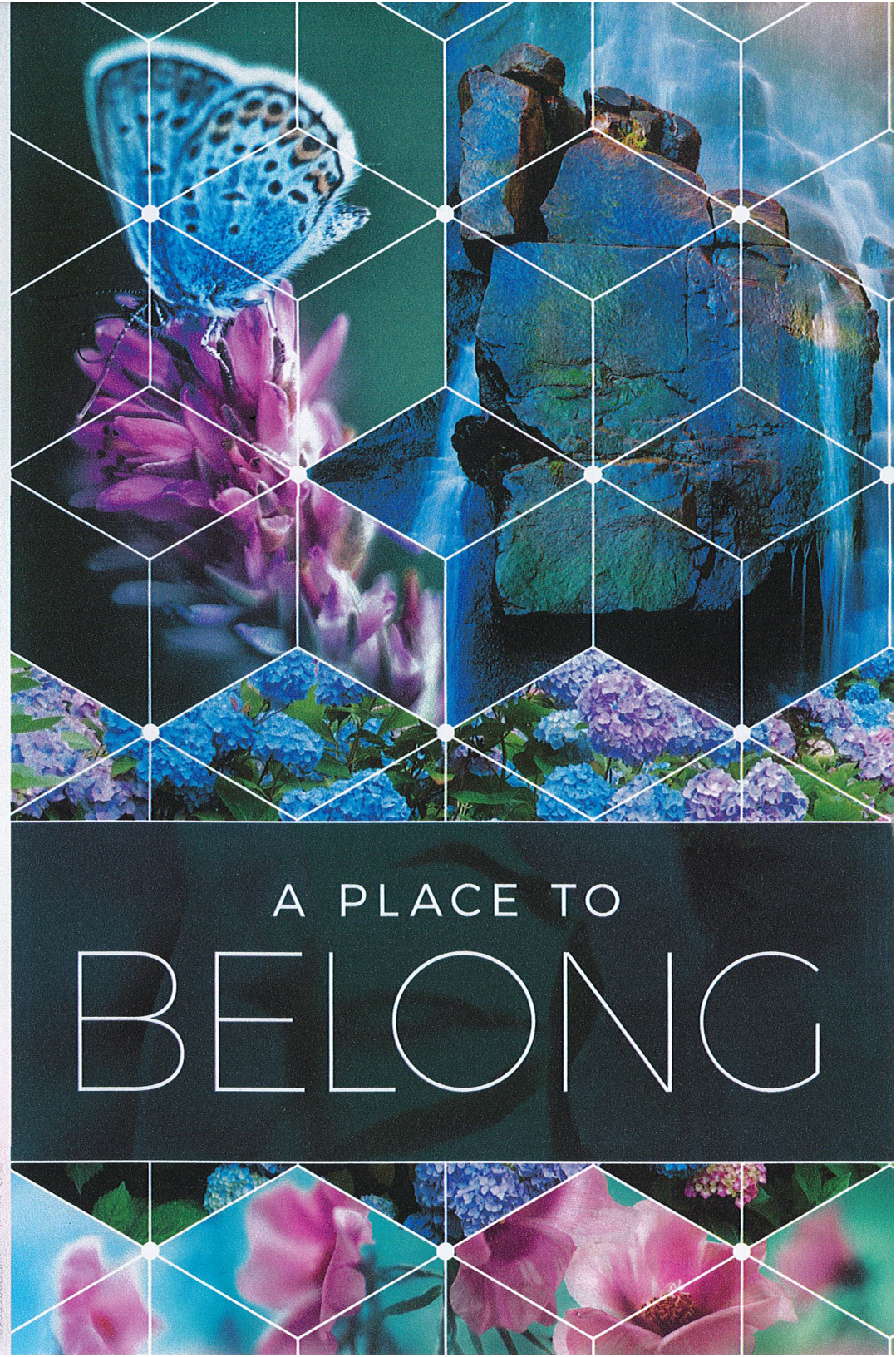
May 17, 2026...Total Receipts

Budget Needs per Week	\$ 20,259
Total Received Last Week	\$ 26,362
Total Received to Date	\$ 524,064

In response to your questions and for your convenience, we are happy to inform you that on-line giving is available for your use if you choose to make use of this form of giving. Our on-line giving application is safe, secure, & convenient.

**"Since
 Jesus
 died
 for me,
 I can
 Give
 for Him."**

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POWER KIDZ

PLAYGROUP



Power Kidz Families, let's meet at the playground!

Who: Power Kidz Families (and any friends!)

When: Thursday, May 28 at 10am-12pm

Where: Harold Burkett Park in Sykesville

The Details: Bring a snack, a water bottle, and yourselves and meet us at the park for a morning out with the kids. Are your kids in school, but you still want some time out with the moms? No problem, come join us! :)

Questions? Contact Christine at christine@wecare.org or Jamie at jlj320@aol.com

FBC Garden Ministry

The FBC Garden Ministry needs additional help this growing season (May thru Oct).

There are 2 areas:

one in-ground bed by the pond, and the other bed against the church with ground cover & 2 pots to plant & water, bi-weekly. Both beds may need weeding & plantings to get started.

Can you &/or friend(s) help this growing season?

There is a small budget to assist with plant purchases, and such.

Please contact Paula, FBC Office Manager for more details or to volunteer for this growing season; thank you.

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or
frndship@wecare.org

Living As Disciples In Encouragement & Service

L·A·D·I·E·S

MINISTRY

YOU ARE INVITED TO CAPTURE

Confidence Calm...Joy JESUS!

SATURDAY

JUNE

13

AT 11 AM

Lunch Provided

Brenda VonRautenkranz's Farm
13425 Forsythe Road
Sykesville

Limited Space

Living As Disciples In Encouragement & Service

L·A·D·I·E·S

MINISTRY

THE IMPORTANT DETAILS OF:

Confidence...Calm...Joy...Jesus

Join us at Brenda VonRautenkranz's farm for a delightful afternoon of fellowship, fun, and encouragement! Enjoy a special meet-and-greet with the animals and one another, followed by a scrumptious lunch and an inspiring presentation on living a balanced life through Confidence, Calm, Joy, and Jesus. We'll conclude the afternoon with breakout discussion time to reflect on what we've learned together.

Limited seating available - RSVP by 6/8
First come, First serve. Sign up today on Realm!

REGISTER



Contact Laura G. or Christine D.
lgulley@wecare.org
christine@wecare.org
410.442.5506



FBC Summer and Fall Message Series

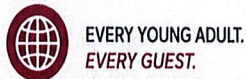
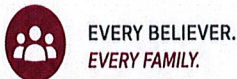
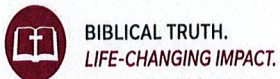


Mark Massey,
Senior Pastor—FBC

This summer and fall at Friendship Baptist Church (FBC), we will walk through a powerful series called 'Giant Things God Wants You to Know.' We will begin with prayer, family, relationships, words, thoughts, and temptations, and end with the greatest event of all—the return of Jesus Christ for His people. These are not small ideas. They are life-changing truths God wants every believer, every family, every young adult, and every guest to know and live.

GOD WANTS YOU TO KNOW:

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| 1 Prayer Really Matters (June 14) | 12 You Need Christ's Church (Sept 13) |
| 2 Your Family Really Matters (June 28) | 13 Your Life Has Purpose and Meaning (Sept 20) |
| 3 You Were Made for Relationships (July 12) | 14 God Is Still in Control (Sep 27) |
| 4 Forgiveness and Reconciliation Set You Free (July 19) | 15 Obedience Brings Blessing (Oct 4) |
| 5 Your Thoughts Really Matter (July 26) | 16 Your Body Belongs to Him (Oct 18) |
| 6 Your Words Have Power (Aug 2) | 17 Worship Is About Him (Oct 25) |
| 7 His Word Is Truth! (Aug 9) | 18 Money Makes a Terrible "God" (Nov 1) |
| 8 The Holy Spirit Empowers Believers (Aug 16) | 19 Your Suffering Is Not Wasted (Nov 8) |
| 9 Sin Is Really Serious (Aug 23) | 20 Eternity Is Real (REALLY REAL!) (Nov 15) |
| 10 Temptation Can Be Defeated (Aug 30) | 21 Jesus Is Coming Again (Nov 29) |
| 11 Your Work Really Matters (Sept 6) | |



WE CARE • ALL NATIONS

FBC California VBS Mission Trip

June 5-12, 2026

Iglesia El Refugio,
Lafayette, Ca



• Working with Andrew and Connie Flagg

- ☀️ • Evening VBS working with Hispanic children
- ♥️ • Evening Marriage Enrichment for Parents
- 🌳 • Daytime preparation for VBS at the VBS location

JESUS

NO SPANISH REQUIRED

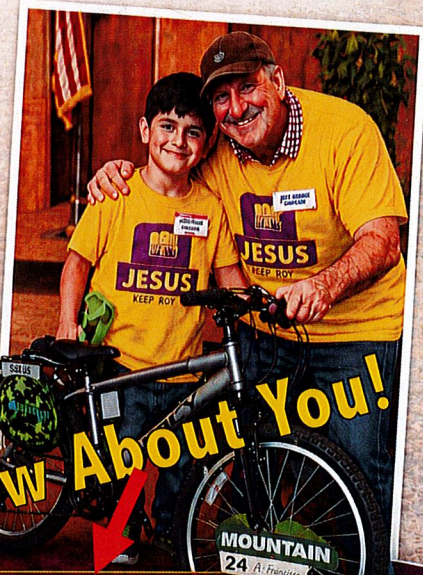
✈️ We fly into San Francisco International Airport

📅 Depart: June 5

📅 Return: June 12

💰 **Cost: 100% Scholarships Available - JOIN US!**

👥 Team: 6 Team Members Needed. Must be willing to work with children. Spanish optional.



How About You!

3 MORE TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED

☎️ 410 236 1809

✉️ pastormark@wecare.org

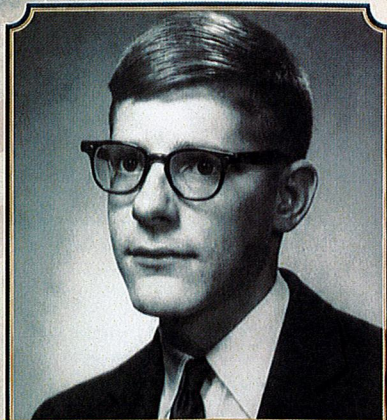
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Remember and Honor



MEMORIAL DAY

The Story of Medal of Honor Recipient David F. Winder



Private First Class David F. Winder
Medal of Honor



On May 13, 1970, 23-year-old Private First Class David F. Winder crawled through the dirt of the Republic of Vietnam.

He was serving as a senior medical aidman with Company A, 3rd Battalion, 1st Infantry Regiment.

Winder was the son of a pastor and a strict pacifist.

When drafted, he considered fleeing to Canada to avoid the war, but ultimately decided that would be the wrong choice.

He refused to carry a weapon in combat, entering the war zone entirely unarmed.

His unit was moving through freshly cut rice paddies on a search and clear mission when a massive North Vietnamese force launched a surprise ambush.

The enemy was heavily entrenched and opened fire with automatic weapons and rocket-propelled grenades.

The initial volley wounded several American soldiers and pinned down the rest of the company.

Private First Class Winder immediately reacted to the sight of his wounded comrades trapped in the kill zone.

He dragged himself across one hundred meters of open, bullet-swept terrain to reach the closest injured man.

Enemy fire struck Winder as he moved, severely wounding him.

He ignored his own injuries, reached the first casualty, and provided medical aid.

Winder then heard a second wounded soldier calling for a medic.

He pushed himself back into the line of fire and crawled toward the next man.

Rounds hit him a second time.

He stopped momentarily, bleeding heavily from multiple gunshot wounds.

Winder forced himself to keep moving and dragged his body to within ten meters of the second man.

Enemy fire struck him a final time, and he was mortally wounded.

He did not survive the war, dying in that rice paddy.

His actions fueled his unit with immense resolve.

The surviving soldiers launched a fierce counterassault and defeated the enemy force.

For his actions, Private First Class Winder was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor.

Back home in Ohio, his parents and brother were sitting by the phone, expecting a call from Winder to discuss an upcoming furlough, when military officials arrived to deliver the news of his death.

He was buried at Mansfield Memorial Park in Ohio, and a military medical clinic was later named in his honor.

Thirty-eight years after the battle, volunteers in Vietnam found one of his lost, rusted dog tags in a market and finally returned it to his brother.



Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. — John 15:13



Ask Pastor Mark....

WHAT DOES MEMORIAL DAY TEACH US ABOUT THE CROSS?

That's a good question....

Memorial Day is a time for Americans to pause, and remember the men and women who died while serving our nation. Their sacrifice reminds us that freedom is not free. The liberties we enjoy were provided and protected at great cost.



As Christians, Memorial Day also points us to an even greater truth:

Our greatest freedom was purchased at an even greater cost.

The Bible says:

"For you know that God paid a ransom to save you... And it was not paid with mere gold or silver... It was the precious blood of Christ." - 1 Peter 1:18-19

Soldiers have died so we might enjoy earthly freedom.

Jesus died so we might receive eternal freedom.

Because of the cross, believers are set free from:

Sin's penalty — *"There is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus." - Romans 8:1*

Guilt and shame — *"He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west." - Psalm 103:12*

Spiritual slavery — *"So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free." - John 8:36*

Death and hell — *"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" - 1 Corinthians 15:55*

Memorial Day should never become merely a cookout, a day off, or the beginning of summer. It should be a day of gratitude, remembrance, and humility.

But for the Christian, it can also become a doorway to worship.

When we remember fallen soldiers, we say,

"Thank you for your sacrifice."

When we look to the cross, we say,

"Thank You, Jesus, for saving my soul."

Both the **Cross** and **Memorial Day** teach us that freedom is costly.

They teach us that love gives.

They teach us that rescue requires sacrifice.

They teach us that someone had to die so we could live.

This **Memorial Day**, let us honor those who gave their lives for our nation. But also, let us worship the **Savior** who gave His life for every person in the whole world.

Freedom in America is a blessing.

Freedom in Christ is salvation.

- Mark Massey, Senior Pastor, FBC pastormark@wecare.org



The Goal Of This Class:
“... That I will commit myself to Christ and to the Friendship Family.”

What Makes Friendship A Family ?
In a church as diverse as ours...

Four Things Unite Us:
Our Salvation (What God has done for us)
Our Statements (Why we exist as a church)
Our Strategy (How we fulfill our purpose)
Our Structure (When & where we fulfill our purpose)

CLASS OUTLINE:

“OUR SALVATION”

What it Means to be a Christian
The Symbols of Salvation: Baptism & Communion

“OUR STATEMENTS”

Our Purpose Statement
Our Faith Statement
Our Lifestyle Statement

“OUR STRATEGY”

The Story of Friendship’s Beginning
Who We are Trying to Reach (Our Target)
Circles of Commitment
The F.R.I.E.N.D.S.H.I.P. Strategy

“OUR STRUCTURE”

How Our Church is Structured
Our Affiliation
What it Means to be a Member (required for membership)
What Now? — The C.L.A.S.S. Program
A Quiz About Friendship

Membership Application included but optional as God leads.

YOU’RE INVITED: Sundays 3/8 & 15, 9:45am

If you are visiting or are interested in more information about Friendship, or want to pursue membership, join this group to be led by Senior Pastor Mark Massey. To enroll please complete this tear off & place it in the offering plate. Notebook/answer sheet can be picked up in the foyer starting 6/7. You MUST complete it by 6/21/26. Bring it with you to class.

TEAR HERE & PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE

NAME: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

BONFIRE Night

FOOD! - FELLOWSHIP! - FUN!
Wednesday, May 27
6:30pm to 8:30pm

VBS RALLY
FEATURING
THE SCIENCE GUYS

Fizz, Pop, Boom show, lasts about 45 minutes and includes a ton of exciting experiments, bubbling potions, chemical reactions, and explosions! This show is perfect for kids aged 3-15, and volunteers will get to do the experiments with our Scientist during the show!

DINNER MENU
Beef Taco’s, Mac & Cheese, Apple Sauce and The Cow Ice Cream!

FREE WILL OFFERING TO OFFSET RISING FOOD COSTS

INDOOR SEATING: A LIMITED NUMBER OF TABLES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE SALT HOUSE. FIRST COME FIRST SERVE.

Pre-Registration Is Required
ONLINE — WECARE.ORG OR FBCMD.ORG
EMAIL CHURCH OFFICE — FRIENDSHIP@WECARE.ORG
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE — 410.442.5506

SHINING A LIGHT ON
WHO JESUS REALLY IS

ILLUMINATION STATION

JOHN 8:12

VBS
JUNE
22-26

**Shine Bright in a
Dark World @ VBS**

»»» **MON - FRI 6:30 - 8:30PM** «««

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN
FOR ALL AGES**



**"I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.
ANYONE WHO FOLLOWS ME WILL
NEVER WALK IN DARKNESS BUT
HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE."
JOHN 8:12**

Q?'s - Cathy Klimovitz or Laura Gulley - lgulley@wecare.org