



# FIRST LIGHT

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## January Collection for Dwell

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Dwell Orphan Care, based in Williamsport, is a faith-based outreach that supports foster and adoptive families in central Pennsylvania so that children have a safe, loving, forever home in which to dwell. Their “Hope Chest” is a foster closet for families who are receiving emergency placement of children, providing clothing and other essentials. Donations for the Hope Chest are being collected through January, to be placed in care packages sent to foster homes. The items of greatest need at this time (new items please) are: LEGO® sets for boys and girls of all ages; family board games; and card games for all ages. Your donations may be placed in the box in the Welcome Center or in the blue tub outside the Living Water Cafe.



## Please Collect Your Poinsettias



The Christmas poinsettias will be removed from the sanctuary and café after services this Sunday. If you donated poinsettias, please collect them or they will be discarded. If you know of someone who might enjoy receiving one, please feel free to take one or more even if you did not order one.

## Reminders:

- 2022 offering envelopes have been moved to the church office.
- Pastor Rick will be offering a new bible study on Wednesday evenings in the café at 6:30 p.m. beginning January 12<sup>th</sup>. The study is a deeper look at the scriptures with biblical scholar and historian Ray Vander Lann titled “That the World May Know.” There is no book to purchase or homework. All are welcome. Contact the office if you need childcare.
- Red Cross Blood Drive in the Celebration Center on January 25<sup>th</sup> 11:00-4:00. Call 1-800-RED CROSS or go to their [website](#) to schedule an appointment. Masks and I.D. required.
- Life Line Screening Event in Celebration Center on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Schedule an appointment by calling 1-866-229-0469, going online to <https://llsa.social/HSC> or texting the word “circle” to 797979.

Card Shower for Alberta Shaner’s 90+ Birthday on January 20<sup>th</sup>  
 Ephrata Manor  
 Alberta Shaner - Room 124  
 99 Bethany Road  
 Ephrata, PA 17522



# God Squad to Participate in 30 Hour Famine

The God Squad Youth Group will be participating in the 30 Hour Famine on February 11th & 12th. The 30 Hour Famine is an annual youth fundraising event which seeks to fight hunger by



raising funds for World Vision, an international aid organization. The God Squad's goal is to raise \$1,000.00. To do this, they are asking the congregation to partner with them. There are several ways that you can support them. First, be in prayer for their efforts and encourage them. Second, students will be individually looking for sponsors beginning this week. So, look for ways to connect with one or more youth over the next few weeks. To make a donation electronically with a credit card, you can go to the group's sponsorship page: [Donate here!](#)

Third, God Squad will be hosting a luncheon for the congregation on **February 13th**. Since that is Superbowl Sunday, they will be offering a "**Soup**"er Bowl **lunch**. The cost of the luncheon is "by donation." All proceeds from the luncheon will go toward the fundraising goal.

To learn more about the 30 Hour Famine, you can go to their website [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Myers at 570-412-2820 or [muncygodsqquad@gmail.com](mailto:muncygodsqquad@gmail.com).



The Widow's Mite will be hosting a hymn sing at 1:00 p.m. on January 20<sup>th</sup> in the sanctuary. Evelyn Derrick will be at the piano and taking requests. The congregation is invited to participate.