

### ***“Bundles of Joy” Diaper Ministry***

“Bundles of Joy” have increased their offerings and include diapers, adult incontinence items and period products. These are available to Brunswick County residents in need through the Brunswick County Diaper Bank.

The diaper bank is located in Bolivia at the Brunswick Baptist Association. It is operated by volunteers every Wednesday 9 -12. All eligible clients receive products once a month.

“Bundles of Joy” are always grateful for donations. Incontinence supplies are especially needed. Open packages will be wrapped and made available to our clients. Future plans are to purchase incontinence supplies. Volunteers and donations are the “Heart” of this ministry. Call Maryann Darzano to find out what you can do.

### ***Night to Shine***

Night To Shine has continued its work to provide a “Prom” like experience for people of special needs in Brunswick County. Although it remains virtual, 125 special needs people will experience NTS and God’s love for them.

- 1) MOST IMPORTANT: Please invite any special needs members, or visitors, (ages 14 to 100) in your congregations to register as Night to Shine Honored Guests at [www.bcnighttoshine.com](http://www.bcnighttoshine.com). It is free. And they will receive a gift bag of prom gifts and will be invited to celebrate the virtual Night to shine prom event on Friday February 11<sup>th</sup>. The Night to Shine prom is a celebration of God’s Love with dancing, karaoke, visits from very special guests and being crowned as a king or queen of the night.
- 2) Any church members, 16 years old and older, are welcome to volunteer at [www.bcnighttoshin.com](http://www.bcnighttoshin.com) and join other volunteers in delivering and ‘cheering on’ our Honored Guests when they receive their gift bags at their homes, nursing homes and schools.

### ***Brunswick Partnership for Housing***

**(BPH)** is pleased to introduce Arvis Andrews, the homeless outreach specialist serving Brunswick County. Arvis can be reached at 910-946-1499 if you have a referral for someone needing housing. BPH is also housing homeless people and families for a 5–7-day respite at Captains Cove as we seek long term housing solutions. This has taken the place of the Winter Shelter program. Donations to assist with emergency housing and services can be mailed to BPH, 4891 Long Beach Rd SE, Suite 3, #311, Southport NC 28461.

### ***Belize Mission***

The *Belize Mission* is ready to grow! We have an opportunity for a weeklong trip in January 2023. This trip can be customized to whatever the group chooses.

For this to happen, it will take folks to make the journey and those who are willing to support and organize. It will require us to start right away ironing out details and fundraising,

If you/family/friends are interested in hearing more please contact Shirley Desnoyers/George Ball at shirleydsunshine@atmc.

We would like to plan an organizational/informational group meeting sometime in the next few weeks.

### **Southport Oak Island Interfaith Church Fellowship**

After a one year absence due to Covid restrictions, *SOIICF (Southport Oak Island Interfaith Church Fellowship)* is planning -Lenten Wednesdays. They begin on Ash Wednesday March 2. Details to follow. In past years services were held at local churches followed by fellowship and lunch.