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Children's Quizzing

The Illinois District Children's Quiz was conducted Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the Roxana Church of the Nazarene. There were 72 children from 12 churches that participated in the quiz.

The churches with children participating were Anna, Belleville First, Carbondale New Beginnings, Decatur Parkway, Flora, Ogden, Pana, Paris, Pittsfield, Roxana, Royalton and Springfield First.

The Red Level had 30 children participate. There was one perfect score, Kadynce Shotts from Pittsifeld with a score of 30 out of 30, and seven qualified for the World Quiz. Those qualifying are, Caleb Tewel from Royalton, Renick Hoskin, Roam Hoskin, and Kadynce Shotts from Pittsfield, Grace Maxwell from Ogden, Carter Byrne from Decatur Parkway and Shannon Wankel from Belleville.

The Blue Level had 42 children participate. There were three perfect scores, Emma Flynn, Jonah Flynn and Melanie Peters all from Belleville with a score of 40 out of 40 and 14 qualified for the World Quiz. Those qualifying are Emma Flynn, Jonah Flynn, Amanda Horsley, Morgan Owens and Melanie Peters from Belleville, Emily Mannlein from Decatur Parkway, Zachary O'Neal and Clayton Ramage from Anna, Abigail Gindlesberger from Flora, Nick Bensyl, Zack Hill, and Emily Maxwell from Ogden, Charlotte Graves from Royalton, and Cole Sarginson from Springfield First.

Congratulations to all those who participated and we look forward to the World Quiz on June 22, 2013 in Indianapolis!

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Greeting in the name of Lord Jesus,

We are pleased to report that notice was received on April 10th that The Master's Hands, Inc is an approved Nazarene Compassionate Ministries and thus approved for 10% giving by Nazarene congregations.

The Jasper County, Newton Illinois Ministries Center will have a dedication service on April 28th at 2:00 pm, followed by an open house from, Monday–Friday from 9:00–11:30 am, 5:00–7:00 pm. The Center will be located on the east side of the square in downtown Newton. Van Buren Street is also IL state route 130.

Rooted in Christ Community Garden will open May 1st at 401-405 W. South Street in Olney where we will endeavor to help people to help themselves and to sow the seed of the Word in the hearts of the people.

As of today, The Master's Hands of Olney has:

3-weekly Bible Studies, 1-worship service, 2- recovery programs, coffee shop open 5 days a week, food distribution 2 days a week, perishable food distribution 5 days a week, School Backpack children's weekend lunch program, sharing perishable food items with 14 other 501c3 groups located in 10 counties.

There are now 904 households enrolled to receive food. In March we had 55 different volunteers that donated 1,214 hours of service to Kingdom business

Women's shelter: A house has been donated to us. It is located at 420 W. Chestnut Street in Olney. We are now working on it. This house will be a woman's shelter, which will be designed not to just shelter woman, but to help the woman clean up their lives and get on their feet.

We are seeking the building God has for us in Olney that will be used by both Olney and Newton whereby we will house clothing, house wares, and some furniture. It will all be given at no-charge to those who meet the income guidelines. One area of the building will be set aside to allow us to work with the local college and service groups. This will allow us to help people, who are going for job interviews, to have the proper attire. Formal dresses will be available to those that meet the income guide lines.

We are praying and seeking God direction for a Ministries Center in Effingham IL where a preaching point will be established.

Our needs are: 16' box cargo trailer, project cost \$6,500.00; 16'-20' box cargo refer truck, project cost \$18,000.00 to \$20,000.00; tow vehicle for trailer, project cost \$7,000.00; and funds to complete the women's shelter, projected \$24,000.00. It is our desire to allow our hand to be <u>His hands</u> and reach out in <u>His love</u> to be a part in building <u>His Church</u>. Every program undertaken by The Master's Hands must lift up Jesus to the people both in deed and word.

In His Love, Willard