

Community Care Ministry

The **September ministry**, our final one this year, is in support of **Beyond Basics**, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit offering reading, writing and expanding horizons enrichment programs to students attending public schools in Metropolitan Detroit.

Their program is based on the understanding that children, exposed to educational curricula beyond the basic school system offerings, will obtain higher scores on exams and have a greater chance of achieving excellence beyond their public school careers.

They work closely with school personnel and administrators. All educational intervention takes place during the school day and includes the part time operations of a publishing center. There is not cost to the schools, the district or individual students.

Programs include:

- *Reading program*: intensive 6 - 8 week one-on-one tutoring
- *Writing program*: On-site Publishing Center where students write and edit original stories that are bound with a hard cover.
- *Arts with the Masters Program*: Small group instruction where students are taught the techniques of art masters and apply these skills to their own projects.
- *Expanding Horizons*: Promote literacy while teaching children to continuously expand self-learning. Students participate in a variety of liberal arts, cultural and professional activities.

More information about this charity can be found on the table in front of the Philoptochos office as well as on their website: www.beyondbasics.org

If you would like to make a monetary donation to support this month's ministry, please make checks payable to: Ladies Philoptochos of St. George and submit to Philoptochos mailbox or Community Care Ministry Coordinator, JoAnna Yaksich.

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"One Can": Please continue to support our food pantry. Just one can (or box, or personal health care item, etc.) from each of us every week will

help keep it stocked. We CAN make a difference ONE person at a time! NOTE: If you are unsure what to purchase, we accept monetary donations and will do the shopping for you. Bring donated items to church any day of the week and place in food pantry.