

## DEBORAH CIRCLE

Deborah Circle began 20 years ago, being organized by the late Dolly Sweet. The core group was retired women from Walnut Meadows, a 55+ community. They gathered at the church for lunch and a book study, having a nice fellowship time. Our main focus, then and now, is that we support our members in Christian love.

For many years, we prepared and served Thanksgiving dinner for the pre-school children and their parents. We also prepared and served funeral luncheons.

Our group supports people from the congregation who participate in various mission trips, community mission projects and youth mission trips. We also contributed to the new roof fund. We have organized the clothing collection for Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. We support the collection of "Labels for Education" for Red Bird Mission, as well. Liberty Ministries in Schwenksville helps those in need with a women's prison ministry. Some of our efforts through the year assist this group by purchasing hygiene items for the women and collecting Devotional guides. The purchases we make are taken from a specific designation in the annual church budget. The women greatly appreciate the kindnesses provided.

Since 2002, we have sponsored the Annual Yard Sale in Fellowship Hall, selling donated items and table spaces. This money is used for various mission projects. In memory of our group's founder, we purchased a bench for the church columbarium area honoring Dolly and Don Sweet in 2013.

Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the month in Lounge at 11:30am. We bring our own sandwich or salad and share coffee, tea and dessert. Each December, we have a Christmas dinner and in July, a picnic. Our meetings take a hiatus in July and August.

At our meetings, we often have church members who have participated in a recent church mission or trip speak to us.

We welcome any and all women to join us for Christian fellowship. You may contact Gloria Woodland at 215-368-2373 for any questions regarding the Deborah Circle!