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The Greenwood Manor ministry has no guys on the team at present. Amanda sees this as her team's biggest need because there are many male residents at Greenwood that really need other men to talk with. If you are interested in this ministry, contact Amanda Cowell, or stop by the Christian Ministries office.

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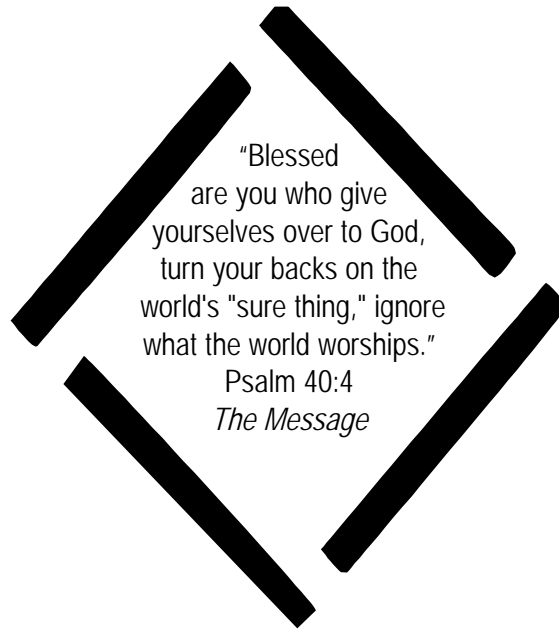
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