

# Spring Newsletter

January, February and March have been busy with our many in-person and online programs and events.

## THE POPULAR ONE

Our Valentine's Dance brought everyone and when we say everyone... we mean EVERYONE! Almost 60 participants, staff, and family members joined us for an evening filled with music, movement, and refreshments.

Participants, Direct Support Staff, family, friends, and Lifeline Board members danced the night away to the DJ Chris Chiles' music selections. Photographs were taken and given to all to remember this lovely evening.

## THE DAILY DIGEST

Our new Executive Director continues to make community connections through local businesses, providers, and the Developmental Disabilities organizations to enlighten all about our wonderful programming, create engagement, new, programming and community support.

Mary's most recent outings included meeting with area providers and group homes to enhance our programming through critical discussions and brainstorming of what our constituents like, need and desire in their spiritual and social programs.





**CHILI COOK OFF**

First Trinity and Lifeline resumed our annual chili cook off in February. Competition was stiff. Jennifer Nye won first place. Leroy Jackson was awarded second place. Heather Paradise earned the third place award. The congregation and Lifeline enjoyed a chili lunch together.



**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES MONTH**

Lifeline celebrated Developmental Disabilities Month with the musical delights of the Wes Biles' Jazz Band. A delightful luncheon was enjoyed by all.

Our annual awards recipients are as follows:

**Volunteer of the Year - Leroy Jackson**  
**Caregiver of the Year - Derek Momo**  
**George Harshaw Jr. Participant of the Year - Harold Whitlow**  
**Harold Oelke Award for Longtime Service - Matthew McCollough**

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## What's New

Lifeline is excited to have begun our newest spiritual program. Faith with Friends is our community based bible study. A group home has been generous enough to be our pilot residence. They have learned the word of the Lord, technology, and various life, motor, and socialization skills. This program will continue to expand throughout the community.

### DEVELOPMENT

Lifeline is appreciative of all the contributions we receive from all. Whether it has been your time, knowledge, donations, and support. We would not be able to provide this high level of programming without each and every one of you.

Lifeline has been the fortunate recipient of a generous donation that allowed us to implement our new programming, ease the burden of inflation prices, and create stability for our organization's future.

We are a nonprofit organization that relies on the generosity of our community and its partners to continue our mission of providing spiritual and social programming for teens and adults with developmental disabilities.

We continue to explore and apply for various grants to assist with our efforts.

Thank you for all that you do for Lifeline and our participants!



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## What's Next

Lifeline's event calendar is jam packed for the remainder of the year. We have continued our on-line groups on a bi-monthly basis and are happy to report that monthly in person programming has resumed. Below is our event calendar. If you are free for one of our events stop by and join us!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Advocacy Group - July 15th  
Sing Praise Service - August 5th  
Field Trip - June 10th  
Sing Praise Service - June 24th  
Summer Picnic - August 19th

Our Harvest Festival is right around the corner!  
October 14th



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