



### **Back pack Program for the school year: 2018-2019**

The program averaged 180 students per week. Approximately 22 volunteers filled the bags per week. Total donated hours to this project were 510 for the year. \$11, 470 dollars in food was distributed. God bless Ken Bowers for his devotion as head of this program as well as blessings to all of the folks who served.

### **The New Love Center – Opportunities to Volunteer and be a Tremendous Help to our Community**

In July, all clients had to re-register for Food Bank distributions. A total of 362 households signed up at The New Love Center Pantry at St. John's Lutheran Church on Broad St., representing 875 individuals, between Lock Haven and Linden, plus Trout Run. Additionally, 100 Senior boxes (for income-eligible clients 60 and older) were distributed, 101 families and individuals received Military Share boxes at the American Legion on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, and 45 backpacks were distributed each week at the Jersey Shore Summer Recreation Program, packed and delivered by the volunteers at Phelps Chapel. On Peanut Butter & Jelly Day, 19 packs were taken.

Volunteers are still needed to help cook and serve meals to an increasing number of guests served at the Love Center Café daily.

There are many ways to volunteer for The New Love Center:

- Thursday before the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday each month, 4 pm, St. John's Lutheran Church basement – package boxes of non-perishable foods for the month's distributions. Takes about an hour; just show up.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the month, 9am-noon and 1-3pm food distributions at St. John's Lutheran Church, many different duties. Contact Christine Barner (570-398-2888) to volunteer.
- Monday through Friday, 8:30am-1:30pm at the New Love Center Café at Trinity UMC across the street from Weis. Contact Lynn Thompson (570-244-8838 or 570-398-1509) to volunteer.
- Bi-weekly, watch the Phelps Chapel bulletin, listen to Announcements, or contact Ken Bowers (570- 398-2285), usually at 6:30pm, at Phelps Chapel. Takes about 10 minutes; just show up.