



# September Update



Dear Bethel friend,

We welcome back our students for the fall after school program, and our building is once again filled with laughter from our students, volunteers and staff members. This fall, our students come from nine KCK public schools, a private school and a homeschool. Your recent donation enables us to work with more than ninety neighborhood students in a safe, fun and nurturing environment under the supervision of caring adults. Thank you very much for your love and care for our community.



Our students enjoy seeing their old and new found friends from the summer program. The surge of the Covid variant in our city prohibits us from running our program the way we used to run it in the past, and we limit the number of students to 25 or less for each day. A group of students come to our after school program one day a week, and we try our best to make their day to be fun, productive, and memorable for them. If our students need help with their homework on days they are not here, we make ourselves

available to help them. We are proud to let the parents of our students know that all our staff members and volunteers are fully vaccinated. We do continue to encourage our community members to protect themselves against Covid by taking the vaccine and to get tested if they have any of the symptoms.

We had a wonderful time at the 20th Bethel Open Golf Tournament on Saturday, August 28th at the Painted Hills Golf Course in Kansas City, Kansas. Seventy-two golfers had fun playing golf and raising funds for our youth program. We are very grateful to our golfers and gold level sponsors: Stinson, Spencer Fane and the Pauls family for helping us raise more than \$13,000. The four golfers in this picture are the Champions of this year. Congratulations to them - Bryan Rezin, Rick Bryan, Mike Chancey, and Destry Bryan. The one on the megaphone is John Pauls, the organizer of the golf tournament for 20 years. In addition to serving on the Bethel board, John and his family love Bethel, and they have been our supporter for many years. Thank you John for your continued support.



As fall begins, we are getting ready to have the Bethel Fall Festival on Wednesday, September 29th from 4:00 - 6:00 PM. The Junior League of Wyandotte and Johnson Counties will sponsor our event, and lead many family friendly and fun-filled activities. In a few weeks from now, we will be asking our Bethel families what their Christmas needs are, and there will be opportunity to adopt our families for Christmas. May God bless you and your loved ones for your continued support of our ministry!

Rev. Mang & Nem Sonna, Bethel Neighborhood Center.