**September 13 is Gather Together Sunday**

As our church continues to gather remotely, on Gather Together Sunday, several new initiatives will begin.

**Sunday, Sept. 13**

**Gather Together Sunday**

**8:30-8:55 AM Virtual Knollchat**  
Join in an intergenerational online meeting with other KBC members

**9:00 AM Children's Sunday School**  
Via Zoom with break out rooms for different age groups  
See p. 6 for details

**9:45 AM Adult Sunday School**  
A new Sunday School semester begins  
See p. 5 for details

**10:30 AM Worship at KBC**  
Beginning on Gather Together Sunday, the service will go live on www.knollwood.org at 10:30 AM.  
It is hoped that gathering for worship at the same time will enhance our sense of community. A video of the service will be available for those who wish to view the service later. We’ll also be sharing Communion this Sunday.

**Saturday, Sept. 12**

**Gather Together Saturday**

**Doughnut Drive-Through for Children, Youth, & Families**  
9-10:30 AM – See p. 6 for details.

**Wednesday, Sept. 16**

**Gather Together Wednesday**  
**Cruisin' KBC – An on-campus drive-by event for adults**  
4:30-5:30 PM – See p. 5 for details.

**7:00 PM Knollwood Together in Faith**  
Through a special video montage, we’ll explore opportunities to gather, grow, and serve at Knollwood this fall.

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**KBC Annual Meeting and Church-in-Conference**

**Wednesday, August 26, 7:00 PM online**

At Knollwood’s annual meeting, the congregation reviews its ministry of the past year and elects leadership for the new church year starting Sept. 1.

The 2020 annual meeting will be held online using Zoom technology. The Zoom platform provides video and audio conferencing that allows participants to ask questions and make comments during the meeting. Those needing instruction about using Zoom can find a resource guide here: https://tinyurl.com/KnollZm

During this year’s annual meeting, the congregation will:

  Before the annual meeting, the congregation’s annual report will be distributed by email and posted online. Print copies will be available by request, call 336-725-1343. A PDF can be found at knollwood.org/media-documents by Wednesday, Aug. 19.

- **Vote on the Nominating Committee’s report** recommending committee and ministry team chairs and members. A copy of this report is in the Annual Report referenced above.

- **Vote on New Deacon Nominees**, see p. 9

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The Risk-Benefit Analysis

By BOB SETZER JR.

Recently, a friend reminded me of the last words of Vincent van Gogh, the tortured artistic genius: “The sadness will go on forever.”

Some days, living through this pandemic feels like that.

When stay-at-home orders were issued in March, and our campus was closed, I thought we might be in for a rough 90 days. Like most people, I greatly underestimated the length and severity of this crisis.

Thankfully, due to remarkably gifted and dedicated staff and lay leaders, our church shifted to remote operations nimbly and quickly. Thus, the conversation about “reopening” our church is something of a misnomer. In truth, our church never “closed.” Essential services such as Sunday morning worship and the Wednesday night prayer service, faith formation for children, youth, and adults, and pastoral care via email, cards, phone calls, Zoom, and when needed, in-person conversations, have all continued.

From the onset of this crisis, a KBC Medical Advisory team has guided us in establishing safety protocols for our church’s life and work during a pandemic. Joe Long serves as the facilitator of this group with the following docs advising our church leadership: Rebecca Wells, David Ramsay, Chip Mims, and John Roach. This team has taught me the value of making decisions by utilizing a risk-benefit analysis.

This risk-benefit analysis seeks to balance our church’s mission with the safety of our church and community. If, for example, we can safely gather remotely for worship--when large indoor gatherings are a toxic environment for virus transmission--we should worship remotely.

If on the other hand, there are pressing needs that require in-person gatherings, then those events should be held with the best possible safety practices in place.

In other words, it's not either/or: mission or safety. It's both/and: mission and safety.

Toward that end, the Medical Advisory Team has proposed--and the Deacon Executive Committee (DEC) has approved--some guidelines for small gatherings at Knollwood. See p. 3 for more about those guidelines.

In addition, on “Gather Together” weekend (see front cover), we'll claim Jesus’ promise, “Where two or three gather in my name, I am there among them,” by hosting some small, safe, in-person gatherings in addition to online options.

Meanwhile, on the risk-benefit spectrum, our church will be working to help address the critical need for childcare for essential workers in our community. Working with Imprints Cares (IC), a proven KBC missions partner, Knollwood will host an IC E-Learning Enrichment Center in the Noffsinger Youth Building beginning Aug.17. The Noffsinger building is not presently in use, and IC will observe stringent, CDC-compliant cleaning and safety protocols to protect staff and children (see article on p. 8).

Is this venture without risk? No. But the KBC Medical Team, the Deacon Executive Committee, the KBC staff and other church leaders, and Yours Truly believe in this instance, the huge benefit to our community outweighs the relatively small risk of hosting this vital service.

Like the children of Israel in the wilderness, finding the manna they needed day by day, we'll keep figuring this out as we go. But ably led by thoughtful staff and lay leaders, sustained by the vital prayers, service, and generosity of the Knollwood community, and guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, I believe Knollwood will emerge from this pandemic better and stronger than before.

Blessings,

Bob
AMONG OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our prayers and support are offered to Joan Lennon and Nancy Maranhao, who were recently released from the hospital.

We extend our condolences to the families who have experienced loss in recent months –

to Judy Yarborough on the death of her sister and only sibling, and to Steve Yarborough on the death of his aunt, Jane Boling, Aug. 5

to the family of Jewel Benton who died, July 13.

to Lu Ann Mangum and family on the death of her mother and Knollwood member, Alma Estes, July 1.

to Susan McBride on the death of her father, Burley Dunn, July 1, in Roxboro.

to Maurice Briggs on the death of his aunt, Margaret Laughrun, June 28, in Asheville.

to Suzanne Newsome on the death of her brother, Creech Newsome, June 28, in Houston.

to Charlotte Hubbard, Cathy and Ella Larmore, and family on the death of Frank Hubbard, June 26.

to Chris Norman and family on the death of her aunt, Norma Jean Johnson, June 24.

to Jean Nixon on the death of her cousin, Bonnie Nixon Whitaker, June 22.

to Chris Norman and family on the death of her aunt, Mary Caudill, June 21, in Elkin.

to the family of Annie Kendall on her death, June 18.

to the family of Pat Wilson on her death, June 7.

We offer our congratulations to Ginny Oberle and Brian Dudiaik who were married July 18 in Summerfield. Ginny is the daughter of Sylvia and Terry Oberle.

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KBC Annual Meeting and Church-in-Conference

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An orientation/practice session using Zoom is scheduled for Wednesday, August 19 at 7 PM. If you'd like to participate, email Steve Cramer at stevebizlib@gmail.com.

Finally, a video and audio recording of the annual meeting will be available afterward for those not able to participate.

If you have questions about this year's annual meeting, please contact Deacon Chair Len Preslar at preslar.len@gmail.com, or Vice-Chair Steve Cramer at stevebizlib@gmail.com.

New Guidelines for Small Groups at Knollwood

On Sunday, Aug. 9, the Deacon Executive Committee (DEC) approved a set of guides for small group meetings at KBC. These guidelines were developed by the KBC Medical Advisory Team and clarify the safety precautions that must be in place for small groups to meet: masks required, social distancing, vulnerable and at-risk populations encouraged not to attend, etc.

The Small Group Guidelines can be found at www.knollwood.org/media-documents under Knollwood documents in the Administration category, or with this direct link: http://content.knollwood.org/2020_Documents/KBC_Guidelines_for_Small_Group_Events.pdf.

Print copies are available by request by calling the church office, 336-725-1343, or emailing frontdesk@knollwood.org.

In keeping with current local and state guidelines, groups meeting outside need to be 25 people or fewer. At this time, outdoor meetings only are strongly encouraged. In the event an indoor meeting must be held, only 10 or fewer people can be present. All meetings need to be scheduled through the Church Administrator.
Music Ministry and Worship

By ROZANNA GOOCEY

Minister of Music

Beginning Sept. 13
Gathering Sunday
Worship at 10:30 AM
We will celebrate communion.
www.knollwood.org

Music Ministry: Looking Back at Hymns for a Lifetime Accomplishments

The following children completed the *Hymns for a Lifetime* program this past June. They each met over a Zoom video call with Rozanna Goocey and Charlotte Brown to pass off their remaining hymns. Each child confidently sang the first stanza of each hymn from memory. We are so proud of each child.

- **Completed Third Year**
  - Frank O’Neill
  - Adric Ebert
  - Aaron Neiberg

- **Completed Second Year**
  - Rebecca Maner
  - Annabel Martin
  - Jack Bain
  - Lincoln Heinsohn

- **Completed First Year**
  - Elena Madan
  - Clara Hardy
  - Kaziah Kindley-Hayes
  - Emma Gibson Heinsohn
  - Evan Neiberg

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**Music Ministry:**

**Chancel Choir Zoom Evening Prayer Meeting**

*Left to right: Bill and Crystal Leathers, Dorothy Wagener, Tom Edwards, Lisa Sykes Martha Simpson, Lauren Winkelman, Peggy Haymes, Becky Ball Rebecca Neiberg, Kathryn Ashworth, Rachel and Tom Wiggins, David Winkelman Mike Cherry, Judy Ianuzzi, Rozanna Goocey*
Looking Back, Looking Forward

By KATHARINE MARTIN

Interim Minister of Faith Formation and Education

Looking back, summer 2020 has challenged us to adjust to many new normals as a faith community. Through online worship and faith formation, we have continued to accompany each other on the spiritual journey, trusting the promise of Matthew 18:20: “For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”

Several Sunday School classes have taken their usual summer hiatus, while others have chosen to continue meeting via Zoom. The Wednesday Morning Women’s Bible study has met regularly this summer, studying healing stories from the New Testament. All God’s Children organized a well-attended Facebook watch party for the virtual June-sixteenth event presented by Triad Cultural Arts.

On Wednesday evenings, Dr. Bob has continued to offer a time of prayer on the KBC Facebook page. I began a series called Questions of Faith, sent out by church email and posted on our Facebook page, that poses spiritual formation questions to ponder in light of these challenging times. On Friday afternoons in August, we are gathering “on screens” to share fellowship and conversation about these questions of faith.

In preparation for worship on Sunday mornings, I’ve provided a Revised Common Lectionary Bible Study from Paraklete Press for groups or individuals to use. These Adult Sunday School materials, along with my reflections on the texts, are emailed and posted on Wednesdays and Fridays.

The Evening Book Club remained active this summer, reading several selections together. In response to the national racial reckoning sparked by the May killing of George Floyd, they offered a meaningful Zoom discussion on the book White Fragility by Robin DiAngelo.

Since on-campus events were canceled in March, faith formation has organically taken shape online as various Knollwood members have posted photography, scripture verses, poetry, prayers, and song in the KBC Facebook group. Trusting that remaining physically distanced continues to be the best way to love our neighbors, the Knollwood community has cultivated virtual gathering spaces for spiritual growth and community support where all are welcome, both to minister and to be ministered to.

We will kick off a new year of faith formation with Gather Together Sunday (Sept. 13) and Gather Together Wednesday (Sept. 16). On Wednesday afternoon, reconnect in-person during the Cruisin’ KBC event for adults. Come say hello to the ministers and receive a sweet treat and faith formation resources to take home. Later, join us online for an engaging video update on Knollwood’s small group offerings and ongoing missions and service opportunities.

As a new Sunday School semester begins, Knollwood members and friends interested in visiting classes will be invited to do so virtually. More information will be provided soon in our church-wide emails. On Wednesday nights, Dr. Bob will continue to hold a time of prayer on Facebook, after which we’ll gather together online for presentations, book and film discussions, interviews, and shared spiritual practices. As weather and virus metrics permit, we’ll gather outdoors in small groups for learning, prayer, and fellowship together.

Whether we gather together on the Knollwood campus, or in a grid of screens on Zoom, we do so as the body of Christ, for the purposes of forming in the love and knowledge of God. I look forward to gathering with you soon.

Kick Off A New Year of Faith Formation

September 13
Gather Together Sunday
Virtual Knockchat
Adult Sunday School
Worship at KBC

Cruisin’ KBC
4:30–5:30 PM
Drive through campus for greetings and goodies from the ministerial staff.

7:00 PM
Knollwood Together in Faith
Join us online for an engaging video update on Knollwood’s small group offerings and ongoing missions and service opportunities.
Children’s Ministry

By CHRISSY HARDY

Children's Ministry Associate

I've always been a planner. I delight in a new school year and that fresh spiral bound calendar ready to fill with dates and meetings and events. I like to plan long range and in depth. This pandemic is really raining on my parade. I'm learning, like many of you, that living in the moment is really the only way to get through this. It's hard to look a week out, much less a month or a year. There is no pretty calendar magnet with all the kbc.kids special events for 2020-2021 to be made or distributed this year. And like the people who have always lived “by the seat” of their pants, I'm also learning that it's actually okay. We are still here. Our church community is still thriving and connected, and we are still doing God’s work.

Doughnut Drive-Through
Saturday, Sept. 12, 9-10:30 AM
All children and their families are invited to drive through the KBC parking lot anytime between 9:00-10:30 AM on Saturday, Sept. 12 and pick up prepackaged Krispy Kreme doughnuts for your family, along with some other KBC swag, devotional materials, and special surprises. You'll have a chance to see Chrissy and some other Knollwood friends outside and distanced from your car as we think about “moving up” to your new Sunday School class for this year. Registration requested to prepare the correct number of materials: https://forms.gle/1xXKjWqrTYj63PLc8

Children's Sunday School
Sunday, Sept. 13, 9:00 AM Zoom
Children's Sunday School will resume this fall on Sunday, Sept. 13 at 9 AM on ZOOM. If you took some time off when the COVID crisis hit and this spring or summer vacations changed your family's rhythms, now is the time to re-establish routines as a part of this school year. Sunday School is the cornerstone of our children's ministry and will be our primary place for connection, fellowship, and learning this year. It will also be where our Hymns for a Lifetime program continues. We will use breakout rooms and other Zoom technology to make this 45 minutes as interactive and engaging as possible with time for small group discussions. If you commit to nothing else with kbc.kids this year, please try to make weekly Sunday School a priority, beginning with this Gather Together Sunday.

Fall Family Music Circles
Sept. 23; Sept. 30; Oct. 7; Oct.14 (All Hands In)
Join a small group of other families outside, masked and socially distanced, on Knollwood's campus for some music making this fall. Weather permitting, there will be four 30 minute sessions offered from 5:30-6:00 PM on Wednesday evenings in September and October. Sign up required.

Other Fall activities we hope to announce with details soon, pending health metrics in our community:
Bikes, Scooters, and Skates in the KBC Parking Lot
Halloween Costume Parade/Pumpkin Carving Contest
Prayer Walk through the Wooded Knoll
Collaborative Art Projects
Material Pickups for Sunday School
Missions Projects

A look back at Summer 2020: Together Apart
Our summer looked so different without Vacation Bible School, Passport Camp, Performance and Potlucks, Park Playdates, and the other summer activities we’re used to. But we sure had fun with the virtual programming that happened in its place. Here's just a sampling:

- Great and Small - a six week VBS replacement with toe-tapping music, storytelling, science and craft videos from Knollwood's amazing leaders, Zoom meetings, and more.
- A talent show filmed from the homes of our children and featuring an amazing array of talent and abilities.
- How to Videos, aired as KBC-TV, where our children filmed instructional videos teaching us their favorite skills.
We had big plans for the summer of 2020. Our group was going to return to Furman University for Passport camp for the third summer in a row. We were planning for fun outings, day activities, and service opportunities. Perhaps most of all, we had looked forward to our annual Labor Day Beach Retreat. You know where this is going, don’t you?

None of that happened.

Yet, KBC.ym still happened. Thankfully, our young people were able to gather together in different ways throughout the summer months. Rather than one weekly meeting, we shifted to a carousel of virtual gatherings. We gathered in small groups on Sunday evenings to talk together about scripture and our faith. We became more comfortable turning our mics on and off while listening and responding to one another. We gathered on Tuesday evenings for “Quiet Nights” spent engaging in different prayer practices and sharing highs and lows about our distanced lives. We gathered on Thursdays for game nights, enjoying one another’s company and sharing some laughs together, reminding ourselves that it’s still okay to let yourself have a little fun.

These small virtual gatherings kept us together and kept us feeling near to one another in distant times. As the summer went on we were able to gather our young people in socially distant small groups, masked and sitting in chairs measured six feet apart. We even managed a socially distant game night involving some Mentos and extra-fizzy Diet Cokes that we launched skyward. These socially distancing in-person gatherings were a blessing to our digital-weary souls.

Now, we turn our attention to the months ahead. None of us really knows what the fall will look like. We will make plans and inevitably some of them will be postponed or outright cancelled. Such are our times. But some things will make it through. Whether it be virtual or in-person, we will be able to “Gather Together.”

Our in-person small groups were a small taste of “Gather Together.” But in gathering together, we are doing more than sitting in an open space within sight of one another. These are small glimpses of our community, of the family of faith that is always near us.

Gathering together for KBC.ym will mean being together in mind and spirit also. We will wrestle with questions and pique our curiosities together. We will pray together and share our burdens with one another, whether on virtual holy ground or in a near physical presence. We will gather together to listen to one another and learn from one another. We will gather together to serve our community and love our neighbors.

We will have our chances to see one another, like the Doughnut Drive-Through on Sept. 12, but we will also have our chances to “Gather Together” in serving our community. We will have our chances to “Gather Together” in small groups until our big, beautiful bunch can be together again. We will “Gather Together” because we know that when we do, God’s presence will be there as the threads tying us and keeping us together.
TTWS Preliminary Plans

By LUCRECIA NORMAN
Minister to Senior Adults & Weekday Preschool

After much deliberation and assessment of the current and possible future path of pandemic data, TTWS has made preliminary plans to open school in November. We hope to start with our four-year-old classes and readiness class, then a few weeks later, open our two-year-old classes and three-year-old classes. We will wait until January to open our infant - toddler classes. We are looking forward to having our children back in our school when it is safe to do so.

Knollwood to Host E-Learning Enrichment Center

By JANET RAY
Facilitator of Imprints Cares/KBC Partnership

The Noffsinger Building is serving as one of the E-Learning Enrichment Center sites of Imprints Cares this fall. Imprints Cares developed the E-Learning program to respond to the critical need for childcare for working families during the time schools are offering only remote learning. Children in grades K-5 will participate in the program that will operate from 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM. During school hours, children will work on their computers with their virtual teachers in groups of eight children with one Imprints Cares teacher assisting. In addition to the virtual learning, the program provides enrichment activities for the participating children.

Knollwood staff and members of the Mission Affiliations and Allocation Committee (MAAC), the Medical Advisory Team and the Diaconate Executive Committee (DEC) carefully reviewed the request from Imprints Cares to use the Noffsinger Building as an E-Learning Enrichment site. Because Imprints Cares was successful implementing cleaning and safety protocols in programs providing care, the risk of hosting the program is determined to be minimal. Members of all three Knollwood committees were enthusiastic in their approval of the program and the opportunity for Knollwood to serve working families in our community.
Slate of Deacon Nominees

Class of 2023

R. Trevor Anderson
VBS Volunteer

Committees/Teams
Children's Ministry; Faith Formation Search

Carrol Danforth
for Class of 2022
Literacy tutor at Bolton; VBS Volunteer, Deacon, chair

Committees/Teams
Finance chair; Bereavement; Nominating, chair; Building Advisory; Deacon, chair

Marissa Joyce
Faith Matters Sunday School Teacher; Godly Play Children's church leader; Youth Sunday School teacher

Committees/Teams
Women's Retreat Planning; Raising White Kids breakout instructor

Crystal Leathers
Deacon; Chancel Choir; Bolton Buddies; Bolton Food Pantry Volunteer

Committees/Teams
Knollwood Cares, Director; Stewardship; Nominating; Mission Affiliations & Allocation; Women's Retreat Planning

Rebecca Neiberg
Deacon; Chancel Choir; Greeter; Usher; DEC Secretary; Worship Care

Committees/Teams
Mission Affiliations & Allocation, chair; Deacon Nominating; Knollwood Cares-Loving Hands, captain; Music Ministry Transition; Children's Ministry, chair

Beth Sanders
Chancel Choir; Adult/Youth Handbells; Faith Matters Sunday School; Deacon

Committees/Teams
Personnel, chair; Minister of Music Search; Music & Worship, chair

Terry Oberle
KnollWord newsletter editor; Bolton Food Pantry volunteer

Committees/Teams
Facilities

Bob Schenkemeyer
Usher; VBS Volunteer; Meals on Wheels; Bolton Backpack Program; Worship Care

David Winkelman
Deacon; Children's Chapel piano assistant; Chancel Choir, member & interim director; Middle School Bells, director; High School Bells, mentor

Committees/Teams
Pastor Search, co-chair

Called Church-in-Conference

Wednesday, August 26, 7 PM

to vote on slate of Deacon Nominees

See page 1 for information.
Welcome New Members

We welcome Mark and Kim Johnson as new Knollwood members.

Mark grew up at Knollwood; his brother is Frank Johnson and his mom is Sara Hooks. Mark recently finished training as an EMT and begins paramedic training soon.

Kim is a social worker with the state of South Carolina, currently completing an online master's degree at Winthrop University. She also volunteers two days a week with the City with Dwellings ministry to the homeless.

Mark and Kim come by transfer of letter from a sister church in Greenville, S.C.

You can contact them by email at markji_52@yahoo.com, and paperdali@yahoo.com.

We welcome Anne Lenwood Rich as new Knollwood members.

Lenwood retired last October from a career in the furniture industry, although recently he took a position in sales management with Vanguard Furniture in Hickory.

Anne just retired from 21 years of service as the librarian at Lewisville Elementary.

The Riches have 3 children and 4 grandchildren. Two of their grandchildren are twin girls who attend Knollwood’s Through-the-Week School. The Riches are coming to Knollwood from a sister Baptist church. You can contact them by email at lrich21266@aol.com, and awfr@aol.com.

Books for Bolton Students to be Distributed

For the past five years, Knollwood has distributed age-appropriate books several times a year to the students at Bolton Elementary School to supplement their personal libraries. The books come with a nameplate in the front so students may lay claim to the book. The COVID-19 pandemic put a quash on the Spring Break book distribution to our friends in March. These books will now be given to the students as they pick up their materials for remote learning.

Thank you, Knollwood, for making literacy a priority and also for helping to make reading fun.
IN MEMORIAM

Michael Gillispie
July 13, 1958 - April 19, 2020

Ken Bass
November 6, 1939 - May 6, 2020

Doug Doane
November 27, 1952 - May 17, 2020

John DeArmon
October 1, 1934 - May 25, 2020

Patsy Wilson
January 31, 1937 - June 7, 2020

Annie Kendall
July 28, 1944 - June 18, 2020

Frank Hubbard
February 23, 1937 - June 26, 2020

Alma Estes
November 18, 1923 - July 1, 2020

The members of Knollwood extend their deepest sympathy to the bereaved and pray for God's healing presence in their lives.

MINISTER ON CALL

If you need a Knollwood minister, please call our Minister On-Call at 336-283-5067.

This number is staffed 24/7 by a Knollwood minister.

ADMIN STAFF ON CALL

Monday-Friday, 9 AM - 5 PM

The office is not open to the public, but it is partially staffed at this time.

Call 336-725-1343 to check staff availability for dropping off and picking up items.

Ministry Plan Finances YTD

By CAROL DANFORTH

Finance Chair

**Ministry Plan Finances as of June 30, 2020:**

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KBC sends 10% of all Ministry Plan contributions to more than 30 missonal and community organizations vetted by our Mission Affiliations and Allocation Committee. After the 2nd Quarter mission checks, our budgeted mission support for the first six months exceeded $74,000.

In addition, as of June 30 we have disbursed $6,899 from the Benevolence Fund to support some local individuals and families in extreme need, and $14,000 from the Celebrations Fund for local mission efforts.

Recent Mission Gifts

MAAC (Mission Affiliations and Allocation, alias, our “missions committee,” made the following disbursements from Knollwood's "tithe” (10%) of the last quarter's offerings:

- **$5,000** to Forsyth Jail and Prison Ministries to help with the ministry’s “Transition to Work” program. These monies will help the formerly incarcerated--whose work has been reduced or eliminated by COVID-19--find the means to stay solvent until their work resumes.

- Provided **$5,000** in seed money for the national Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's new Emmanuel McCall Racial Equity Fund. This gift makes Knollwood a “founding donor” of this new effort to fund Fellowship ministries focused on racial justice, repair, and reconciliation.

- Made a **$2,000 gift** to Action4Equity, a coalition formed "to advance equity for students in Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools in the areas of academic achievement, access to high-quality instruction, and safe and healthy school environments." Knollwood's gift will be used to help provide parent coaching for parents struggling to help their children with school assignments, as well as market this service. Such coaching is vitally important since once the schools went remote in the spring, 5,000 students were not able to sign in for online instruction during the pandemic, and an additional 2,000 only occasionally participated in remote learning.

- Provided a refugee family with a needed rent payment.

- Knollwood continues to assist other families with pressing rent or other payments through its Benevolence Fund.

- Knollwood recently received an extensive report and “thank you” from World Relief, a KBC mission partner that assists refugees and immigrants in resettling in America. Knollwood's funds were used by World Relief to provide immigrants and refugees assistance, support, coaching, case management, and help with expensive immigration fees.

- The first Kids Café graduate recently received a **$1,000 KBC scholarship** for Salem College this fall. MAAC has committed **$1,000 per semester** to help this individual, or others like her, attend college. Kids Café is a tutoring ministry offered by a dozen KBC volunteers. The program is hosted at St. Paul's Episcopal.
Knollwood Baptist Church is an inviting, inclusive family of faith open to all persons, whatever their race, gender, socioeconomic status, special needs, or sexual orientation, who want to walk in the way of Jesus.