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Hello all, here is my report for April 17, 2017 – May 14:

Major Events

April 1	Celebration of Anna Nichols' Life
April 18	Celebration of Denver McFarland's Life
April 22	Houston Association Spring Meeting
April 29	West Fort Bend County Crop Walk
April 29 - May 13	Army Annual Training

Broken Window

After two incidents of vandalism on April 26-27 inside our facilities, three girls were caught in the act of breaking a bathroom window. We know them from our children's programs and they are truly heart-broken and sorry for their misbehavior. The police officers who took the report informed me that damage or destruction inflicted on a place of worship is a state jail felony. That means the two ten-year-olds and the mother of the nine-year-old would have gone to jail had we pressed charges. On behalf of the church I declined to press charges. I determined that a felony record would not help them in their personal growth and the church sending kids to jail would greatly disturb the relationships in our neighborhood. I have contact info for their parents and John Eixmann has agreed to find out how much the window repair would cost. I will work with the families to make this right and I hope that we can become a place that is open to the children of our neighborhood to meet their recreational, educational, and spiritual needs.

Looking Ahead

May 21	Confirmation Sunday
May 25	DelWebb Bible Study: Ascension Day
June 9-10	54th Annual Meeting of the South Central Conference at the Cathedral of Hope UCC, Dallas, TX
June 30 - July 4	General Synod of the United Church of Christ in Baltimore

Blessings

Come and worship with us:
Sunday at 10:00 a. m.

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