



Refueling in the Summer July 2011



Refueling is something every moving mechanism must do, whether it is gasoline for your automobile, a routine battery check on battery operated device, or just rest and restoration for the body. Over the past two months, God made it possible to rediscover the importance of refueling, and I am glad God did. With the recent tornado, the increasing number of those who have gone on to be with Lord, and the joy & excitement of summer approaching, God graciously reminded me, that I was almost on spiritual depletion. It was time to refuel. My spiritual reservoir was getting low. Refueling is something we all must do. Jesus always encouraged his followers to refuel by renewing their commitment first to God and refocusing on the mission of telling people about Christ in order that their lives will be change. Refueling is checking your helpometer measuring the amount of resources that you allow yourself to expend. Your helpometer will over flow over with the joy of having been refueled when you service others.

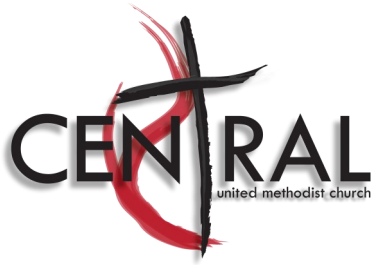
Proverbs 19:17 If you help the poor, you are lending to the Lord and He will repay you!

Romans 12:13 When Gods people are in need, be ready to help them.

We refuel our spirit by providing help to others.

- The purpose of life is not to be happy - but to *matter*, to be productive, to be useful, to have it make some difference that you have lived at all. ~Leo Rosten
- We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give. ~Winston Churchill
- Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth. ~Mohammed Ali
- Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need; the remainder is needed by others. ~Saint Augustine

Refueling only means a temporary stop in order to adjust. Many of us use the summer to as a time for vacation, but refueling reminds us never to vacation with God, because if so we leave vacancy and open ourselves up to attacks from the enemy, our mind, our body and our spirit.



Reaching, Growing, Sharing Christ

Life offers us to many unexpected pitfalls, some pitfalls are even harder to recover from without having Christ in your life. One of the hardest task for people is not falling, but hardest task is sometimes getting back on your feet after a pitfall. The biggest blessing out of the tornado is that persons are now taking time to renew and restore their commitment to Christ, their families, and the world. Don't let the course of the summer cause your fire to burn low.

Galatians 6:1 Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path.