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Dear Friends of the Food Pantry,

We hope that you are all well and safe while isolating in your homes. You are greatly missed at food pantry activities. And we will rejoice when we can resume working together again.



In March and April, our compassionate pastors donned gloves and masks to ensure that our clients could still receive their usual bags of food on the normal food pantry days. Thank you to Pastor Chilton for being a good sport and wearing the Thomas the Train mask that we requested. You all looked spectacular! The need has been fairly normal, 40 bags total, and a number of new people. But next month may be a

different story.

The backpack program is happening, but not in the manner we had planned. On Thursday each week, a different “family unit” has been packing Weis bags [not backpacks] to ensure that no one is compromised. Then, on Fridays, teams of 2 people have been helping to distribute them at the Mifflinburg Fire Co. at lunchtime and late afternoon. The first week, 80 bags were given out. The next Friday, only 60 were passed out. But, this last Friday, over 200 bags found their way to local families in need.



A huge note of thanks goes to Chris and Stacy Sauers for working diligently to procure the items needed for each “backpack”. They have had to go to numerous vendors to accomplish this as items are in great demand, but short supply. Hopefully, next year the circumstances will not be so extraordinary.

There are two more weeks on our schedule to pack and distribute. Our volunteers are being asked to pack 150 bags each week. Please continue to pray for the families in our area who are struggling to remain isolated, homeschool their children, and provide necessities for their families.

Look at the top of this document to see the brand new logo for the New Berlin Food Pantry designed by Kaylin Foss. We love it, Kaylin.

Yours in Christ  
The New Berlin Food Pantry  
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