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Hello Champions!

Welcome to Fall! I hope all of you have survived changes in your life as we begin school, sporting activities, school events, and church programs.

Here at Bethany Christian Services we are very busy as well. We still have a lot of things to do that you can be involved in the next few months before the end of 2007. Below I will be detailing some activities you and your church members may want to consider in your Champion roles with Bethany.

This last month has provided us opportunity to meet with several of the Champions and their pastors. These meetings have been a wonderful encouragement to us. The excitement you bring to us with your ideas and plans is wonderful. I look forward to meeting with more of you this month. If you would like to set up a meeting, we are happy to make those arrangements. We can also host the meeting here or will meet with you in your home or at your church. Please do give me a call to see how we can partner together in this ministry of finding permanent homes for children. My email and phone addresses are krenzema@bethany.org or by phone at 269-372-8800.

We had a wonderful Golf Open at Thornapple Creek on September 11! We had a total of 88 golfers enjoy the event. The weather was a sunny, windy and cool, just great for golfing. A couple of Champion churches were represented by their pastors or members and all had a good time.

A Discover Adoption Meeting will be held October 22 in Berrien County. Please see the email flyer for details. More of these will be offered in Southwest Michigan in the future. **November is National Adoption Month.** Please consider asking your pastor to have a service or sermon on Adoption. Bethany staff are equipped to attend your services or Sunday school and give your congregation more information about adoption and Bethany. **Christmas is coming soon!** Let me know how you would like to be involved in purchasing or delivering gifts for foster kids, unloading the planes from Operation Good Cheer, baking cookies or buying goodies or helping at Holiday parties.

Please keep praying for the work being done in HIS name at Bethany Christian Services and remember, ***TOGETHER, WITH OUR LORD, WE ARE THEIR HOPE!***

You are a blessing,

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