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### **KIDS HELPING KIDS: DAYSPRING STUDENTS COLLECT FOR POWER PACKS**

(MOUNTVILLE, PA) – Dayspring Christian Academy’s Serve for Education program has students helping students in need throughout Lancaster County through a Power Packs food drive. Students will conduct the drive through Thursday, May 1.

If you would like to help, please donate only these specific food items that Power Packs requests: canned chicken, 5 oz. or 10 oz.; peanut butter, 16 oz.; canned tuna, 5 oz.; cherry pie filling (to make cobbler), and corn starch (for a fun activity). Your donations can be dropped off at Dayspring anytime through May 1. On Friday, May 2, the food will be delivered to Power Packs.

Serve for Education connects Dayspring Christian Academy students with the community through direct service projects. In past years, students worked among several organizations in the Serve for Education effort. This year students focus their service time on one important program that will directly impact local students in need.

Power Packs is a program located in Lancaster County that provides food and nutritional information on weekends for the families of students who rely on the school’s lunch program to be well fed. This program realizes that students will perform better in school if they are eating well when they are home. The goal is to improve the mental and physical health of children in the program by helping their parents provide healthy meals over weekends, when the school breakfast and lunch programs are unavailable to them.

Currently, Power Packs is within four school districts, serving 20 different schools. They have over 250 volunteers that help them serve more than 750 families.

“Dayspring is pleased to partner with Power Packs for this community outreach project,” said Dayspring founder and headmaster, Michael Myers. “As Christians, we are all about people helping people. As a fellow nonprofit organization, Power Packs is doing just that!”

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Serve for Education day is just one way that Dayspring emphasizes the importance of serving. A part of the high school requirements is to participate in various service activities. In addition, at every grade level Dayspring students are taught to aspire to have the same character of Jesus Christ. Just as Jesus served the many around Him, Dayspring students are encouraged to serve those in their community.

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