

## Rusk "Feed The Children Ministry" held at Mt. Pleasant CME Church



L to R.-Volunteers Tiffani McGowan, Saral Johnson, Chamell Franklin, Liz, Darryl McGowan, and Flo Bostick finish out the days sack lunch preparation as one of the last participants of the day waits for her lunch.

Rusk, Tx.- To add a little fun and nutrition to their summer, Rusk children were treated to a sack lunch each day from July 9th through August 20th and a book to take home for summer reading. Twenty-four volunteers worked approximately 392 hours to prepare 1,146 sack lunches. The sacks contained a sandwich, chips, cookies or fruit cup/watermelon and juice. Fridays the lunches varied with hot dogs or pizza and ice cream.

Other volunteers were Ella Proctor, Shirley Clark, Kerry Tubbs, Jeremy Pierce, Nate McGowan, Sally Wallace, Joy Mathe, Minnie Hooper, Lois Teague, Jasmine Harris, Janis Hamilton, Sarah Pierce, Waldine Walker,

Tim Walker, Jerry Don Pierce and project coordinators Maxine Pierce and Maxine Session.

Those making donations in addition to members of both churches were Marlene Jowells, Charlie Burfoot, and Toni George who donated watermelons. First Baptist Church donated books from pre-k level to high school. The Sunday School Classes and anonymous donors from First Baptist and Mt. Pleasant members donated money and food supplies to make the program possible.

This event marked the first time an event of this kind was provided in joint effort by two churches. No person requesting a lunch was turned

## Children of Cherokee County Enjoy Summer Program



Students and staff participate in summer the Cherokee County Summer Youth Program.

During the summer month of school vacation, most children in the Cherokee County area spend endless hours with nothing to do. This was not the case for youth that attended the Cherokee County Summer Youth Program at Lon Morris College, Jacksonville, Texas. The program started June 2nd and ran through August 13, 2010. Program hours were from 7:00 AM until 5:00PM. Monday to Friday. Youth from age five to fourteen attended the program and enjoyed arts and crafts, volleyball, and special emphasis was placed on reading, math and science. The children were fed two meals a day and two snacks. They watched movies and went swimming at the Lon Morris where they were supervised by certified life guards, Program Director, Gloria Mays states that the program has been a

success and she looks forward to next year and she hopes that parents will register their children early. The program was sponsored by HII/MA Counseling and Intervention Services of Texas. Ms Mays gives thanks to all business owners and citizens who helped support the program and youth of Cherokee County. She would also like to thank all workers and volunteers assisting with the program, and the Lon Morris College. When the program ended August 23rd planning began immediately for the next year. We know there is a need for programs of this kind," Mays said. "Our goal was to give children a positive rewarding summer months. If you would like to volunteer or donate to our program, please contact Mays at 903-283-6089.

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