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A Time of Need

As we put this newsletter together there have been many thoughts running through my mind. I think the following verses from Psalm 143: 4-11 say a lot for the season that we are currently experiencing.

⁴ So my spirit grows faint within me; my heart within me is dismayed.

⁵ I remember the days of long ago; I meditate on all your works and consider what your hands have done.

⁶ I spread out my hands to you; I thirst for you like a parched land.

⁷ Answer me quickly, LORD; my spirit fails. Do not hide your face from me or I will be like those who go down to the pit.

⁸ Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life.

⁹ Rescue me from my enemies, LORD, for I hide myself in you.

¹⁰ Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

¹¹ For your name's sake, LORD, preserve my life; in your righteousness, bring me out of trouble.
- Psalm 143:4-11 - (NIV)

We must keep our eyes on Jesus. Our way of life as we know it has changed, but the love that we have for one another has not changed. There is still a great need to help the people of Eastern Appalachia Kentucky, now more than ever! When we were planning our April distribution, we wondered how many volunteers would show up to help. How many food pantries were going to be open? Will any of us get the COVID-19 virus after the distribution? So many thoughts and worries that were completely uncalled for, because the answer was to "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus and Look full in His wonderful face, And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, In the light of His glory and grace!" We were unable to meet up with our soup distributor, but still had some soup from the previous month, so we made it work. Thirty five of our food pantries showed up for their distribution times and of course Jesus took care of all of our worries. We had many new volunteers both from Illinois and Kentucky. The local community of Stanton, KY really responded to our need for volunteers and provided all the help we needed. We were so appreciative of their help! So COVID-19 does not just bring despair, but it brought us the opportunity of joining together in caring for others in need!



The crew unloading the MFB semi

With God all things are possible

Volunteers putting together pallets of food for distribution



OUR MISSION

To serve our Lord, Jesus Christ, by meeting the spiritual and material needs of the many economically deprived individuals living in the Appalachians and surrounding areas.

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE

*Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.
Luke 6:38 (NIV)*

MINISTRY NEEDS

Prayer Partners. Please lift up the food pantries and volunteers that make this all possible, and also the families that receive God's abundance! Please pray for the ministry leaders, that they may know the will of God.

Financial Partners. Please prayerfully consider ways you can help with a monthly donation. 100% of all donations go to providing food to the Eastern Kentucky region.

Make a Difference



Our good friend and brother in Christ, Pastor Pete Combs has graciously volunteered to construct a cover over our outdoor shelves at the warehouse to protect the product during inclement weather. This will allow us to utilize our shelving come rain or shine. Pastor Pete and his wife Brenda, lead the Fullness of the Word Ministry located on rural Beattyville, KY. They serve the community there by providing food and supplies to many families. They also hold a weekly church service and help out the elderly with a variety of building projects such as roof repair, handicap access ramps and other necessary home repairs. Join me in prayer to lift up their ministry



Concord Food Pantry

Our newest partner in getting the food and supplies to needy and hungry families is Concord Independent Church Food Pantry in Hager Hill, Kentucky. Nestled in the Appalachian Mountains, Concord Food Pantry has been providing for the Hager Hill community for 18 years.



Concord Food pantry is lead by Pastor Steve Rose and assisted by Joe Atkins and Larry Duty along with a few other volunteers. The Food Pantry serves between 150—200 people per month with emergency food and supplies. They operate the pantry out of a 28' x 40' building on the church property but also deliver to shut-ins and people with disabilities.



Please join me in welcoming Concord food Pantry and join us in a prayer of support that can continue to reach out to the community and help provide,

not only physical need, but offer spiritual help as well.

Volunteer Update

Times are Changing....

Although we miss some of our regular volunteers, we are grateful for new ones that have been able to come and be a part of our mission. We know that when the timing is right that our regular volunteers will be back in full force. The COVID-19 virus has affected many aspects of our mission. It has restricted some of our vulnerable volunteers, a few of the food pantries are unable to pick-up their orders, and also effects how we fill the orders. Some people come with gloves and masks and do the social distancing and others feel that there is



nothing different. Some people offer up a hug of gratuity and others offer up an elbow bump. Whatever the mindset we know that the people of Eastern Appalachia Kentucky are thankful for what they receive and that the volunteers that we have are the BEST! After all, the willingness to help is one way that we can work together to spread God's love. One thing positive to take away from the COVID-19 virus is the ability to work beyond the issues in our lives and make a difference in the lives of many, be it by volunteering or by being a recipient of the gifts that God presents each of us individually. God is good all the time. All the time God is good!



Become a Ministry Partner

Please keep in mind, this ministry operates solely on individual donations and the help of volunteers. If you have the time and desire to help with the monthly food distribution, there are a variety of tasks that need volunteers. If interested, please contact us via email at servantsofourlord@live.com or phone (502) 791-6430. If you would like to help with the Ministry's monthly operational costs, please send your tax-deductible donation in the envelope provided or mail to P.O. Box 224 Lexington, IL 61753. Thank you and God Bless.

Thank you

God Bless you for all you have done to help the people of Eastern Kentucky! During these difficult times we continue to receive applications for new food pantries. As our ministry grows please pray that God will use this ministry to supply the food to all that are hungry in this impoverished region of our country.

