



*"I am the Good Shepherd" John 10:14-16*

## **Freedom Center Ministries Inc.**

**January - February - March 2025 news**

Greetings Missionary Friends and Family,

This winter God's ministries came together with support for our friends. A very cold January brought single-digit weather to Kentucky, with the highest power bills in 15 years. It was a long struggle with the increase in heating costs: kerosene, propane, fuel oil, and electric bills. Throughout the winter months, more than 355 folks received free coats, toboggans, gloves, and other items. We had a blessed time as we encouraged and comforted our friends. The Good News reassured their personal relationships with God and family. Thank you for your continued prayers for our friends!

This is God's ministry that engages with the community. This month some folks lost their homes by fire and came to FC for assistance. They needed physical and spiritual encouragement; as missionaries, we are here to point folks to Jesus and comfort them with clothing and housing items. FC has received donations from three churches this year. We are grateful for all the Lord brings!

The week of March 19<sup>th</sup>, 24 volunteer missionaries from two North Carolina churches brought 198 boxes and bags of donations. Below is a missionary report as they went into the schools with Easter Hope Boxes.

Freedom Center Ministries, Lynch, KY mission journey. On March 19 First Baptist Church of Salisbury, NC made its 8th trip to Harlan County, KY to bring Hope Boxes to the children of Cumberland and Cawood Elementary Schools. They were accompanied by First Baptist Church of China Grove, NC. Hope Boxes were delivered to 704 students plus all members of the school's staff received an appreciation gift as well.

The volunteers shared the hope of Jesus and prayed with the students and teachers. Their prayer request included Mom and Dad from sickness and drugs, Papaw's heart and Mamaw's cancer, their pets, their spelling test, loneliness, friends' health, depression, protection from danger, and everything. Lastly, one said, I pray for my teachers and all the staff at my school.

This year 3 young people accepted Jesus Christ publically. While there have been seeds planted over the past years, it was so evident when one of those young people who asked lots of questions last year, gave his life to Christ this year. We are thankful for the relationships we have made through the years.

In addition, both churches worked at the Freedom Center in multiple ways by helping sort, hang, and store donations among other duties. It is always a joy to work with George and Robin. We all had the blessing of hearing their personal testimonies and how God has worked in their lives.

Looking forward to sharing the Hope next year and of course, staying at our favorite home away from Home the Agape House.

There is Hope in the promise of the Cross!



### **Missionary Teams on the 2025 Calendar**

April 14 -19 Hope for Appalachia, VA

May 3 - 9 Riverland Hills BC, Irmo, SC

May 22 - 26 Hampton Family, KY

June 1-7 New Hope BC, Seneca, SC

July 14 -18 Back to School Mission Week: Buck Creek BC, Longs, SC, Wampee BC, Longs, SC, Indian Lake BC, Northport, AL, Memorial BC, Frankfort, KY

October 13 -19 Union BC, Griffin, GA

Open Dates are available from April through December, as God leads contact FCM. If your church/group is planning to come and serve with Freedom Center Ministries, please contact us. Thank you!

Agape House Lynch, KY is a place where missionaries stay when they GO/come to serve.



### **PRAISE OUR LORD FOR:**

- Holy Spirit's faithfulness in every detail of life & ministry
- 27 volunteers help with the ministry by giving time and talents
- Financial and physical resources donated
- 246 friends served at FC
- Faithful ministry and prayer partners
- Mission vehicle
- 3 salvations of school students

Prayer Warriors, we cherish your prayers!! Thank ya'll on behalf of our people group in The Appalachians; may God's blessings continue to flow to His people. Robin and George are humbled "Serving our Father by serving His People" in the Southeastern Kentucky Mountains. Thank you for your PRAYERS and support! May God receive the glory and honor in our works.

## **PRAY TO THE ALL-SUFFICIENT ONE FOR:**

- The Larry Allen family/our Sweet friend Renee is with her Lord Jesus
- FCM folks on the prayer list: salvation, healing, lives transformed
- Local and worldwide missionaries
- Spiritual awakening around the World
- Missionary couple/family for long-term service with FCM
- Kentucky School Children and school teachers

Throughout the world cultures are different. As we serve in Kentucky, we learn about the mountain culture's likes and dislikes. The folk's needs are items of necessity. The clothes culture is blue jeans, hooded sweatshirts, flannel shirts, t-shirts, and boots/casual shoes. There are very few exceptions. The folks do not wear 100% wool, corduroy, old-style heavy sweaters, pleated pants, turtlenecks, shirts with advertisements, men's suits, or outdated clothes.

So, to be good stewards the ministry will respect the culture and provide only basic needs. Also, this will help with seasonal warehouse space.

The ministry needs are to be basic: shoes, bed sheets, bed blankets, comforters, towels, and housewares that include pots, pans, and silverware only. Thank you for your partnership in God's work and ministry.

## **FCM SHOP NEEDS AT THIS TIME:**

- T-Shirts with long and short sleeves for all genders, ages, and sizes
- **Men's summer and winter tennis shoes size 10-14**
- Summer clothes for school-age boys and girls
- All sizes sheet sets (twin, full, queen, and king)
- Bath towels
- Kitchen pots and pans



In the Vine, John 15 ... Abide in Jesus Christ!

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