"Walk in the Light" 1 John 1:5-7

Freedom Center Ministries Inc.

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Greetings Friends in the mighty name of Jesus Christ,

The beginnings of spring are finally here in the Kentucky mountains. In February, very early, the Daffodils and Weeping Willows have shown their colors. Followers let us praise our awesome Creator! Each day is a new day that our God gives. How will we use it?

In our morning prayer time, we ask the Holy Spirit to direct folks into FC that we may minister with each day. It is so exciting to watch throughout the day who He brings across our path.

One morning, as we read the Bible a lady said she does not understand the verses when she reads. In our conversation, she said I would like to receive Jesus as you shared. After she prayed, we gave her a Bible and encouraged her to tell the pastor at her church. We also prayed for the Holy Spirit to help her understand.

Another morning, a lady came into FC to shop for clothes and the Lord provided a greater need. While she was there, I received a call from a volunteer missionary about a trip in April. After a greeting, he said I am a master electrician. I thought who is on my path that he could help? Well, I watched for the Lord to work, and she appeared right in front of me! A lady with electrical needs in her home and a master electrician come together for His glory. Our Lord is on time and provides the need.

One day a man came into the Freedom Center inquiring about a pair of boots and jeans that he desperately needed. You could tell that he had little or maybe no money but just wanted to see what we had. He found a pair of jeans and asked to try them on. When he came out of the dressing room, he was so excited that his face lit up, as the jeans fit! We informed him that God was blessing him with the boots and jeans and that no money was needed. He was so filled with joy and when asked if he knew Jesus he said, "Oh yes"! I thought for a minute the man was going to dance.

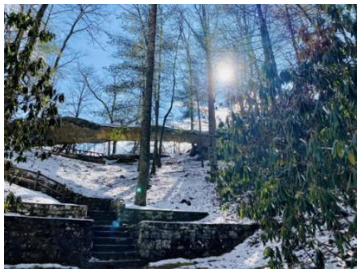
This reminded me of the paralytic man sitting every day by the pool of water, waiting to be healed. Jesus went over to him and asked him if he wanted to become well. The man said no one would take him to the pool, and with that Jesus told him to stand up and pick up his mat and he walked away healed. I can only visualize that this man too danced with joy as Jesus made him whole.

Look for opportunities to make a difference in someone's life each day and help them to dance!

Throughout the years in our small community in Upper Harlan County, we have seen about 114 friends through FCM pass on into eternity. Just this week 2 more friends of FCM went to their final home. As friends, we encourage families and participate in funerals. We have served and ministered to four generations with physical and spiritual needs.

In the Kentucky school ministry, Easter gift boxes are given to the next generation. Our family of God, the Hope of Appalachia missionaries has gone into 8 counties of Kentucky. In many high schools and elementary schools each student and teacher has heard the Good News and received a Hope box gift. Some prayed to receive the gift of salvation; we now have new brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ. To this date the Kingdom of God has increased by **969** citizens, tomorrow the Holy Spirit will continue to work. We have been called to follow Him and Go Be The Church!

We praise our Lord for volunteer missionaries that serve Him daily. So many come on day trips, and they drive several hours to pray with us and leave donations from their churches. Thank you for your prayers and support!



Missionary Teams on the 2023 Calendar

March 17 Roebuck BC, Roebuck, SC

March 19 - 25 FBC Salisbury, NC

April 2 - 6 Daviess – Mc Lean BA, Owensboro, KY

April 9 - 13 The Bridge Ch., Goldsboro, NC

April 27 Beth Larrison Ladies, Metropolis, IL

May 3 - 7 Varen Presbyterian Ch. Iva, SC

May 7 - 13 Riverland Hills BC, Irmo, SC

June 25 - 30 CMBC, Cumberland, KY

July 15 - 21 Back to School Mission Week: Buck Creek BC, Longs, SC, Wampee BC, Longs, SC, Indian Lake BC, Northport, AL, Memorial BC, Frankfort, KY, Freedom BC, Salemburg, NC

July 23 - 28 Mt. Pleasant BC, Rockvale, TN

Open Dates are available from May 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
- The volunteers help with this ministry by giving their time, talents, and resources to build relationships with our local people
- Our health, families, medical personnel, public workers
- Financial and physical resources donated
- 828 friends served at FC
- Faithful ministry and prayer partners

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:

- Missionary couple/family for long-term service with FCM (request sent to North American Mission Board)
- Kentucky School Board members and school superintendents
- 2 students, Timothy to continue following Jesus and Ken's salvation
- Mercy and strength for Ukraine folks
- God's wisdom about a local soup kitchen
- American, World/Gov. leaders, and medical personnel
- FCM folks on the prayer list: salvation, jobs, healing
- Local and worldwide missionaries
- Spiritual awakening
- Unbelievers and believers around the World

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 going to be basic: shoes, bed sheets, bed blankets, comforters, towels, toiletries, and housewares that include pots, pans, and silverware only. Thank you for your assistance 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
- Women's current style of blue jeans
- Men's summer and winter tennis shoes
- Women's flat shoes, no high heels
- Summer and winter clothes for men and women
- Summer and winter clothes for boys, girls, toddlers, and babies
- Blue jeans for men waist sizes 29 through 34
- All sizes sheet sets (especially queen and king)
- Bath towels
- Rugs all sizes
- Reading glasses +2.50 and up

In the Vine, John 15 ... Servants for Jesus Christ!

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