

# Newsletter



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Since the day Pastor Eleanor Ladd and her husband Rodney stepped on to the campus of New Hope Wesleyan Church in Hudson, FL over ten years ago, this has been a uniquely special ministry. They have, along with a small group of faithful church family, labored tirelessly to make an impact in



their challenged community. AND, in the midst of all the challenges they have remained solidly supportive of BTS in every way possible including significant financial support.

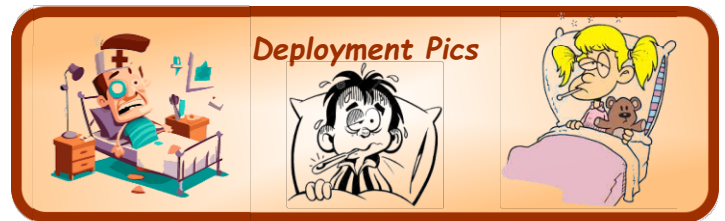


Through the years we have tried to return that support having previously addressed several facility needs. When the floor in Piatt Hall deteriorated to the point the building was unsafe, we knew we had to respond. So Jan 15-18, 2025 15 overnight volunteers, joined by 13 day volunteers deployed to Hudson. We installed new sub-floor and vinyl plank throughout the building, repaired and painted the rotten fascia, and painted front and back porch at the parsonage. What an amazing transformation. Check our website for more. [www.btstorm.org](http://www.btstorm.org) then click "Ministry Archives."



## BEYOND THE STORM DEPLOYS TO PIKE COUNTY, KY

17 Faithful Volunteers signed up to deploy to Pikeville, KY March 8-15 to assist homeowners devastated by historic flooding find hope and Christ in the midst of their chaos. Here are some pics:



That's right... There ARE NO PICS!!! That's because 14 volunteers were packed and ready while Ken Osborne came home from the SP Conf. barely upright, from the "FLU", then four days before departure, Rick Cowley succumbed to the virus and then two days before departure, Leslie Cowley succumbed. WE INCLUDE THESE UGLY DETAILS ONLY BECAUSE THEY POINT TO ONE OF OUR CRYING MINISTRY NEEDS.

KEN & RICK ARE OUR ONLY DRIVERS. WHEN THEY ARE OUT (fortunately this is the only trip cancellation in over 75 deployments) THE TRIP GETS CANCELED.

PLEASE PRAY WITH US THAT GOD WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DRIVERS WITH CLASS "B" BUS ENDORSEMENT LICENSE.





## GOD IS SO FAITHFUL

**HABITAT FOR MISSIONS HAS PROVIDED  
BTS WITH ANOTHER  
"FLIP" PROJECT HOUSE**

For the past 18 months we have been asking God for another opportunity "Project House" to help raise funds to help underwrite the costs of BTS Ministries. We are so grateful for our extremely faithful and generous donor base, however more than 50% of our support historically has come from these special projects.

**WE ARE SO GRATEFUL...**

Through HFM, God has provided another house project. We anticipate closing near the end of March and the volunteer renovation will begin soon after.



**WATCH FOR TEXT  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
WITH ALL THE DETAILS SOON.**



**Save The Date**

**BEYOND  
THE STORM**  
Restoring Hope Restoring Lives

**MEMORIAL  
DAY**

**2nd Annual**

**FAMILY PICNIC**

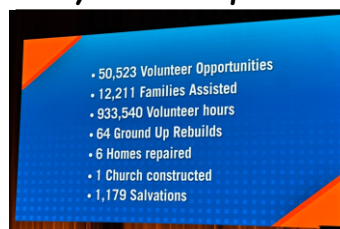
**MAY 26, 2025**  
Noon - 6:00PM

**@ The Osborne Ranch**  
783 West Blue Springs Ave.  
Orange City, FL 32763

## Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center



Twenty plus BTS Volunteers & Partners attended the Samaritan's Purse Volunteer Retreat in Aurora, CO along with 1800 other volunteers February 26-March 1. It was an amazing time of Spiritual Renewal, and extended DR family fellowship. Among the highlights was



an accounting of how God has used SP to take the Hope & Light of Christ to thousands in 2024.

The Tommy Coomes Band led worship, Dennis Agajanian performed at every session and special guests included Will Graham, Tim Lee, Don Wilton (Billy Graham's pastor) and General Richard A. Cody.



A special treat was a visit with dear friends Jody & Trisha Kennedy who led the Teen Ministry

of Calvary Baptist Church (TX) to wash cars and raise \$1151 to Support BTS Ministries.



**We may throw the dice, but the  
Lord determines how they fall.**

**Proverbs 16:33 NLT**