

JUNE 2024 EDITION

THE CROSS ROAD

New Testament Church and Mission



It has been a challenging couple months within our mission family. Everyday can be a challenge trying to meet the needs of those who come daily with complex challenges and difficulties. We have some that struggle greatly with their past convictions that it has made their steps going forward a very difficult process. They come face to face with the cross road of taking the new life ahead or do they become what God speaks about in Proverbs 26:11 KJV: As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly. It's very difficult for us who pour everything we can, for them to return back to their old ways. How do we keep going ? How do we not give up ? Because the Cross has the final word ! We do it because we are serving the Lord. My opening line -it's been a challenge for our mission family is truly the statement this last month. I think one week alone this month only 2 of us out of 12 were well. We have been hit immensely with sickness, hospital visits, surgeries and endless list of other things. If you catch any one of us we would tell you we must be doing something right because the enemy has been trying to defeat us with the physical things. I'm here to tell you he's the defeated one. We maybe down for a temporary moment but, we always make it by and we always meet the need. Even if it's just one of us in the kitchen we have a passion, we have a purpose and God always has a plan. I know I say it a lot but I'm truly grateful for my team. I had to have surgery which has put me out for a couple weeks and I'm grateful for their support, dedication to the ministry in my absence. We all face crossroads in our lives where difficult situations and challenges arise and we are face to face with how to handle them. My grandmother always taught me my attitude in the situation will always reflect the outcome of the situation. So maybe this newsletter is not only how we help solve other peoples problems but how we ourselves have trials and we're grateful for our community who help us. Special dear friends of mine who have supported the ministry for a number of years came to me during the difficult time of losing my mom earlier this year and they gifted me this letter written by Billy Graham and one of the lines that captured me the most said , "it's not about when we stand before God, but where we stand with God that matters most." It's a reminder that my daily walk with Jesus matters more than anything else. This ministry belongs to Jesus ! Our trust has been in Him and He has promised as long as there is food on our shelves we will continue to serve. Only the Lord knows each name that has given to this ministry over the 49 years and I'm grateful to know we don't walk alone in this ministry. We have challenging days and weeks that bring us to the crossroads of meeting our needs and the needs of others but, we have the Cross and all it promises so we get up everyday and serve.

Last Month Totals

Total Meals

6,478

Total HOUSING

61

Food Baskets

82

utility/
transportation
assistance

7 total

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Busy Month - Reaching the Needy



We can use your help with building our outdoor pavilion-

A Great Need

As time has evolved we have seen our numbers greatly increase every meal and unfortunately we cannot facilitate 100 people inside. As everyone knows Florida's unpredictable weather plays a huge factor on the individual coming for their meal. They have to plan for heat, wind and rain. Last week alone we had 4 days of straight rain which affected our meals. We had a group approach us about building a pavilion which can provide shelter while individuals receive their meals. We are asking if our supporters can help us reach this goal and build this pavilion along with obtaining picnic tables to accommodate our guests while eating.



A SAMPLE

PRAY ABOUT PARTNERING WITH US ANY AMOUNT WILL BE A BLESSING

- Monthly Needs
- PAPER PLATES
- JELLY
- PEPPER
- SNACK ITEMS
- NAPKINS
- GARLIC SALT
- PASTA SAUCE
- CEREAL

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

