




Servants of our Lord Ministry

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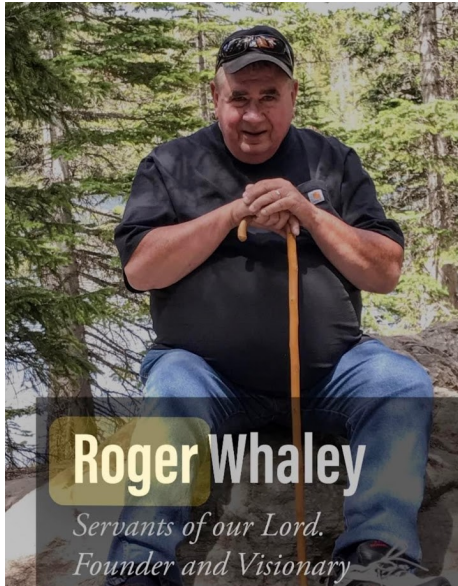
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September 2024 Newsletter

Servants Visionary



As we approach the 7 year anniversary of Roger's passing, we reflect on the progress of his vision for Servants of our Lord Ministry. At the time of his passing, we were serving 24 food pantries in the Eastern Appalachia Kentucky region. We grew to serving 37 food pantries and are now serving 31 with a waitlist of 4. We are waiting for Midwest Food Bank to add the 4 waitlisted food pantries to our current distribution.

Roger was always looking for ways to help others. He was a strong believer in his faith and was always reaching for the stars. As we try to meet the needs of the people of Eastern Kentucky we have encountered some stumbling blocks. Volunteers, changing delivery/shipping schedules, equipment breakdowns, growing expenses and a growing desire to keep Roger's dream alive..

To some, they wonder why does your ministry continue to operate in Kentucky? We continue

to operate in Kentucky, because there is a great need to serve one of the poorest areas in our nation! There are many people who benefit from our ministry. Our ministry has a rippling effect. From our distribution, we mainly work with the people from the pre-approved food pantries who pick up the orders, but there are people that work at the food pantries stocking shelves, doing administrative work to bring the people to the food and supplies (these are the heroes).

There are endless hours put into running our ministry, locating volunteers to help with our Kentucky 13 pre-load (which takes place at Midwest Food Bank in Normal, Illinois) during the first week of the month. We supply 13 of the 31 food pantries with a second distribution. We have to have a good volunteer base in Kentucky to be able to unload the semi that comes with 26 pallets of food the first week of the month and 52 pallets of food and supplies that comes the third week of the month. When the 52 pallets come, we also bring the Midwest Food Bank's box truck (currently we only have 3 people with CDL's that can drive it) with 10 pallets of food. We also have 5-8 pallets of soup and vegetables that is picked up from an anonymous supplier during the 3rd week of our distribution. We are on a time crunch during the third week of the month and have to have our schedule work like a well oiled machine.

Timing is a big deal for our ministry. We want to get the food and supplies to the food pantries, so that they can distribute to the individuals and families that need it. We are always looking for volunteers to help both in Normal, Illinois and in Clay City, Kentucky.

We are proud of the vision that Roger had for this ministry and we are hoping that we are living up to his dream of serving the people of the Eastern Appalachia Kentucky region!

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. " *Philippians 4:13 (KJV)*.

Thank you

God Bless you for all you have done to help the people of Eastern Kentucky! Please pray that God will continue to guide this ministry to supply the food and spiritual needs to all that are physically and spiritually hungry in this impoverished region.

SCRIPTURE FOCUS

"The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us: That he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways." *1 Kings 8:57-58(KJV)*.

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

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.

Players in our game of love!



People who make our world go around!

If you have not volunteered with us, but would like to volunteer in an airconditioned warehousewe have just the place for you! We do a Kentucky preload of food and drinks in Normal, Illinois. Here are some of the COOL August volunteers that came in out of the heat! We do a preload for 13 of the agencies that we serve each month in February through November. Scan the QR code below to see what dates will work for you! Then sign up! You do not have to lift anything if you want to run the scanner! Come make a difference with us!

If you are interested in being a team player locally in our area with Servants of our Lord Ministry, please refer to this link to sign up <https://shorturl.at/dmV15> or scan this:



Servants of our Lord Ministry, Inc.



Volunteer Signup



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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 (859) 363-6421.

If you would like to help with the Ministry's monthly operational costs, please send your tax-deductible donation in the envelope provided or donate on our website at

<https://servantsofourlordministry.com/get-involved> or mail your donation to P.O. Box 224 Lexington, IL 61753.

Thank you and God Bless.



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Prayer Requests

- Pray for safe travels for volunteers travelling to/from Clay City, KY.
- Pray for healing for Steve's foot issues.
- Prayers for additional donations to cover our expenses for this ministry.
- Prayers for more volunteers in KY for the October & November distributions.