



SUMMER 2014

NEWSLETTER

HOPE OF GLORY MINISTRIES

FEEDING THE HUNGRY, CLOTHING THE NEEDY, AND SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST!

SPRING & SUMMER REFLECTIONS

IN HIS WAKES A DAY TO REMEMBER

Over the past few years, Hope of Glory Ministries has been privileged to join with In His Wakes Ministries for a "Day to Remember". On June 9th, Hope of Glory partnered with The Salvation Army and carried 20 children to Lake Kristi in Grimesland NC.

This "Day to Remember" provided the opportunity of a lifetime for these at-risk youth by giving them an unforgettable day on the water. Participants engaged in water sports such as swimming, boat riding, knee boarding, and tubing. These activities helped break through walls of fear, distrust, and low self-esteem and exposed joy and smiles suppressed by a life of challenges.

Through on-water activities, time invested in the participant's life, and the life changing message of Jesus Christ given by Kristi Overton, "A Day to Remember" became a starting point for new life. It was a blessing to watch these kids conquer fears, do activities they have never done before, and find victory in Jesus, all while gaining confidence, self esteem, and new found hope to face life's challenges!



MGS OUTREACH DAY

MEETING GOD IN SPORTS OUTREACHES

Beginning in March, various churches and volunteers joined us for an intentional and regular outreach to our neighbors called Meeting God in Sports. After being led to the Kearney Park neighborhood we have taken time to use sports as an opportunity to engage with the kids and grow in lasting relationship with our neighbors.
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"HEAVEN ON EARTH"

Many of us have experiences, places, and moments in our life we would describe as being like "Heaven on earth"! For many of us it is a place of joy like sitting on the beach, eating your favorite ice cream, worshipping our Savior, or spending precious moments with your children and family. For each of us it is the closest to Heaven on earth we will get in this life as we await our eternal life with Christ.

Every other Saturday for the past few months, this Heaven on earth experience has been made real for me in Kearney Park. There is nothing like the joy of pulling up to the neighborhood, setting up camp in the "back yard", and within 15 minutes watching the real life moments of faithful servers with excited kids swinging bats, throwing football, kicking soccer balls, coloring pictures (or each other!) and growing relationally through the smiles that seem to never end.

After an hour of recreation, we gather together under the shade tree and share God's Word together, then provide a snack for each child. During this time, Bibles are passed around and pages are flipped as the adults teach the children how to find scripture, read out loud together, and pray for one another. Seeds are being planted and our call as a ministry is to remain faithful to these children and families by sharing God's life changing Word. Our prayer is ultimately for families to engage together strengthening the family unit, and to truly know Jesus through lasting relationships and the sharing of His Word. Will you join us in praying for these Heaven on earth days!? Have a desire to get involved?? Contact Mandi at 252-321-6857 ext. 201.

Seeking Jesus,
Mandi Stewart
Executive Director



LAKE KRISTI 6/9/14

"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you..."
Isaiah 43:2

Find us on YouTube or FB at Hope of Glory Ministries



Ways to Join us on the Mission:

Yes! I want to financially support Hope of Glory Ministries!

Mail to P.O. Box 2038, Greenville, NC 27836-0038
(check payable to Hope of Glory Ministries)
OR Donate online at <http://www.hope-of-glory.org>

I would like to make a one-time donation of \$ _____

I would like to sponsor a family this month (\$30/family)

I would like to contribute towards the Box Truck \$ _____

I would like to make a monthly/quarterly* donation of \$ _____

*If you would like to be set up on automatic bank draft, contact Judy at 252-321-6857 ext 204.

Monthly donations can be deducted on the 1st or 15th of each month.

Quarterly donations will be deducted on Jan. 1, April 1, July 1, and Oct. 1.

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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ARE SUPPORTING OUR OUTREACH MINISTRIES!



ONE WAY MINISTRIES



UNITY FWB CHURCH

LABORERS MAKING AN IMPACT

Impactful ministry can only happen as the body of believers comes together, laying aside their differences and simply displays the love, grace and mercy of Jesus to those around them. It has been a joy and honor to see this impact as those of you who have faithfully supported Hope of Glory Ministries over the years join hands with other believers. Together, we are intentionally pursuing our community with the life changing Good News of Jesus! Here are a few of the many highlights of how God is bringing faithful servers and partners to join us in reaching Pitt County with the Gospel:

*Collide Ministries, One Way Ministries, Unity FWB Church, and Integrity Church have recently come alongside our outreach ministries and consistently impacted the Kearney park and Hopkins Park neighborhoods.

*During the month of April, we had two Chick-fil-A locations (University Commons and Winterville) host a food drive and give back campaign for Hope of Glory's Healthy Help Food Pantry.

*Various youth Ministries from Jarvis, Building Hope, Girls Scouts and Camp Connect have served our ministry by helping us sort clothing and clean the thrift store.

*Donations of food and other hygiene items from Parkers BBQ, Ronald McDonald House, CrossPointe Fellowship, and Churches Outreach Network.

*Volunteers from One Source Communications served with us as part of their Employee Volunteer Program.

*Local youth ministry pastor is leading a summer men's bible study to compliment the in-house women's bible studies on Wednesdays during the summer.

*Selected as one of 13 non-profits to participate in an 18-month partnership with the Vidant Capacity Building Program beginning in August.



RESOURCE CENTER UPDATES

Our in-house Resource Center is open five days a week and provides food, clothing, and household items to people in our community that are in need due to limited or no income, or in a crisis situation. Since January of this year, we have served 1,107 families, consisting of 3,620 people. Our estimated poundage of food distributed is at 37,415 pounds! This is only made possible by God's grace and over 400 donors who contribute financially and tangibly throughout the year!

With this amount of food coming in and going out, we really desired to steward the healthiest options and have implemented a shift in our food pantry strategy. "Healthy Help" seeks to radically and holistically serve low-income families in Pitt County by providing healthier options for families through our food pantry, and educate them on preventive healthy lifestyle choices. This year we have received 3 grants to support our Healthy Help initiative from FEMA, Food Lion Charitable Foundation and Vidant Health Community Benefits Grant Program. This will help us purchase healthier items to distribute to those we serve. The initiative also offers a Healthy Help Class on the last Friday of each month for anyone interested in learning more about a lifestyle of healthy eating and exercise.

Donations of clothing, food, and household items are still needed on a daily basis. Please continue to spread the word and bring your donations in during our open hours, Monday-Friday 9am-5pm, and Saturdays 10am-4pm. Thank you very much for your willingness to help others!

Interested in helping us by sorting clothing, hosting a Healthy Help Food Drive, or discipling those we serve? Contact Tony Potter at 252-215-9042!

COMMUNITY OUTLET UPDATES/NEEDS

Our Thrift Store, The Community Outlet has been open for 8 months now and we are pleased to share its impact with you!

-Monies Raised: \$93,940

-Vouchers Given: \$13,892

(clothing and household items value):

-Round Up Donations:

\$1,641 *(given to support local ministries, MGS Outreach, and Healthy Help)*

Lastly, we have seen the impact of picking up donated furniture from homes to sell in the thrift store, and at times, give to those we serve. We are currently using a car and small trailer to do Food Bank and furniture pick-ups.

Last month we received a \$4,000 Grant from First Presbyterian's MayFEST to help support this need of a box truck to make pick-ups more efficient. Currently, we are seeking to raise another \$10,000 to supplement the purchase of a dependable box truck.

If any of you are able to contribute towards this box truck please contact Mandi at 252-321-6857 ext. 201. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY:

*July 12th and 19th: MGS Outreaches, 12pm-2pm. (note: July 19th is from 11am-1pm at South Greenville Gym picnic area to serve Kearney Park and Hopkins Park)

AUGUST-DECEMBER

*August 9th, 23rd and September 6th and 20th: MGS Outreaches, 12pm-2pm

*September 27th: Community Transformation Outreach in Moyewood, 10am-1pm

*Oct. 11th: 8th Annual Select Bank and Trust Good Samaritan 5k/1M Walk: 9am

*November 22nd: Thanksgiving Outreach: Time is TBA

*Week of December 15th-19th: Christmas



COLLIDE MINISTRIES



INTEGRITY CHURCH

"Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.'" Matt. 9:37-38

"You are the light of the world, a city on a hill cannot be hidden." Matthew 5:14
"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to our Father who is in Heaven." Matthew 5:16