



Prayer Newsletter

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank God every time I remember You. In all my prayers for you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who has begun a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

HOPE FOR RENEWAL BUILDING - IMPROVED OUTSIDE AND INSIDE!

REV GARY KOERTH

Greetings Friends,

Several years ago, the Board of "Hope For Renewal" drafted the mission statement that we exist to serve so that we may build relationships to share the love of Christ to those who live along the Glenwood Avenue corridor. This summer we are seeing the fruit of following the mission that God has given us.

The Playground Ministry which was started last summer has, in its second year, been an incredible opportunity to follow the mission that God has given to us. The foundation of the playground ministry was to serve the community by providing a weekly meal. This summer we are seeing 50 to 100 adults and children come to share a meal together with us. That translates into 100-150 hot dogs each week. But so much more has transpired through that.



We have seen a sense of community and fellowship that is beyond anything that we imagined would happen. We added a weekly community-building activity as part of the picnic. Relationships have grown in numbers and have deepened as we spend time with those who come for dinner. We now have a weekly ministry team from Tabernacle and those from the neighborhood involved.

Through relationships we have seen the need to start Men's and Women's Bible studies. Studies will meet bi-monthly beginning in August. In September we will begin a monthly "Community Prayer Night" at the Hope For Renewal building. The invitation to the residents of the Glenwood Ave. community will be simple..... "Come and pray for the needs of our community".



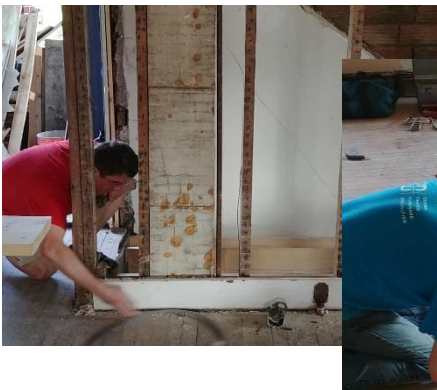


Building Update:

We are still in the process of rehabbing the building. We have a goal to have the first floor of the building finished to the stage where we can move the Playground Community Ministry to the building on November 7th.



We still have a few major projects to complete before then. Please contact Gary for more details of projects if you have skilled and non-skilled workers who would be willing to come for a Saturday work day in September and October.



We now prayer walk the neighborhood three mornings a week. We walk and pray but we also have the opportunity to meet, greet and build relationships with those in the community. Give us a call if you desire to walk with us!

**We
Need
Your
Help!**



The 4th annual Fall Fun Fest will be held at the Glenwood Playground on October 31st. We provide a meal and a number of activities for the children and a bag of candy for each child who attends. Last year we saw over 200 people attend and gave away 208 bags of candy. This year we expect to see even more people attend, so that means we will need a boat-load of candy. We need your help to collect individually wrapped candy for this outreach event. We will need the candy before Saturday October 27th. Please let Gary know and we can arrange to come and pick up the candy from your church. Thank you!

**Thanks to
all of our
dedicated
workers
who are
making this
building
come back
to life!**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please Pray:

Women's and Men's Bible Study: We have several men and women from the community who would like to attend. Please pray that God would draw them and give them a desire to seek Jesus.

Community Prayer Night: Pray that God would call many from the community to this time of prayer.

Glenwood Ave. Playground Ministry: Pray that God would continue to use this ministry each week through October 31st.

**You are important partners
in this ministry and we'd
love to hear from you . . .**

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