

January 27, 2021

Greetings,

We wanted to take the opportunity to thank you for your 2020 gift to Hope For Renewal. You are an incredible blessing to our ministry. Although this past year has been very difficult we have so much to be thankful for.

The playground ministry looked like it would not take place this summer because of the Covid19 restrictions. But even with a late start and restrictions on activities we were still able to provide the hotdog meal and an atmosphere of community to experience the love of Christ through our ministry team. We are praying that in the summer of 2021 we can return to a more normal playground ministry that includes several VBS opportunities.

The Hope For Renewal Ministry Center made incredible progress in the last few months including two new functioning bathrooms, a commercial kitchen with a new range, fryer, sinks, ceiling, tile floor, fire suppression hood and major improvements completed in the café/main meeting room and outside improvements. We still have a few more projects and inspections to complete but if everything stays on schedule we will start to minister in the center within the next couple of months.

We are also looking forward with great expectations of a community café that will open sometime in the spring. The café will provide a place to gather, share life and to experience the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ lived out in dignity, love, listening and service.

We have also witnessed some amazing growth in our worshipping community. Our numbers have grown to 20 attenders . Although the Sunday Worship has been awesome we have also had the blessing of walking through family crisis, meeting physical and spiritual needs, prayer times, job interviews and just sharing life in our kitchen with a cup of coffee and a honey bun. God is taking our group and molding and transforming them little by little into disciples of Christ. We look forward in the next couple of months to move our community worship from our living room and into the ministry center.

Please know how thankful we are for your partnership in our ministry! Through your prayers and gifts you have made it possible for us to be the love and light of Christ to our precious neighborhood.

Blessings, Gary and Cindy Koerth and the Hope For Renewal Board