



Hope For Renewal seeks to serve, build relationships and to share the love of Christ for those living in the Glenwood Corridor in Youngstown, Ohio.

EASTER MEAL FOOD DISTRIBUTION APRIL 5, 2023

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“When A Mission Statement Comes To Life”

On April 5, on a windy and rainy day, we were blessed to serve our community by sharing the love of Christ through an Easter Meal Distribution provided to 110 families. Each family drives or walks to the Hope For Renewal Ministry Center and is greeted with a joy filled greeting and is given a complete Easter meal.

bag that contains an Easter Devotional, Bible and an invitation to join us for Sunday worship while saying, “We are blessed to feed you physically and we are wondering if we could also feed you spiritually”. Each car was then asked if there was anything that we could pray for you or your family. Not one person said no to prayer. The prayer requests were a reflection of the everyday reality of brokenness. Many grandmas, moms and aunts prayed for the young men in the neighborhood that they would make wise decisions and that they would live to see thirty years old. One woman entered our parking lot with many bruises on her face and neck and arms and tears filled her eyes.. We lifted her up to a God who sees her. A city pastor and his wife of a new church plant was prayed for and then pulled over and got out of the car and said he felt compelled to pray over our church and encourage us and thanked us for being here to serve and love our neighborhood. The stories continued for three hours.



Each car pulls around the parking lot and is then greeted by one of our prayer team, and presented with a gift



We praise God for a simple yet powerful mission statement. Serve, build relationships to share the love of Christ and the Gospel message.

We have all been given the ministry of bringing healing and peace to the broken hearted. We have all been ordained to share the Gospel and do good works and love in the Name of Jesus.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. II Cor. 5:17-20

Please Pray for our Worshipping Community and the Café Ministry!

I will save the testimonies for next month about how God is blessing our Sunday Worship and the daily Café Ministry. Just like the Thanksgiving and Easter Meal Outreach we have daily opportunities to meet people in their struggles and in their joys. Each day God gives us new stories to tell of how daily conversations lead to sharing the love and message of Christ. Each day and every Sunday we get to witness the awesome reality of when the Light collides with the darkness.



Please Pray for our Playground Ministry

The playground ministry will start up again in June. We have been taking time to evaluate and pray over what the playground ministry will look like this year. We are heading into the seventh year of this ministry. We are sensing that we need to go a bit deeper with the presentation of the Gospel message and prayer with the precious adults and children that will come for the meal and activities.



Come and visit us!

Please know that you are always welcome to come for a visit individually or as a group. Come and have a great cup of coffee or come for a work day as we are in the process of finishing the rehang of the 2nd floor of Glenwood Grounds, our ministry center. Just give us a call!

Thanks!!

We continually thank God for each church, business, organization and individual that faithfully comes along side us to help build the church that God has called us to build.

Blessings,

Gary and Cindy

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