



The Happy Church August 2019 Newsletter

July Highlights

Happy Soles Ministry



Book bags Stuffed with School Suplies

This was our big month for the Happy Soles ministry! Each year, thanks to the generous donations of many, the Happy Soles ministry provides each one of the Happy Kids with a new pair of shoes, a couple pair of socks, and a book bag full of school supplies. Horizon Church provided the book bags and Mt Carmel Christian Church provided the School supplies. The Happy Soles fund paid for the shoes.



Book bags Stuffed with School Suplies

Since the shoe store in Jackson is closed, this effort has been a logistical challenge. Oakdale Christian School provided a school bus and the rest of the kids were driven down to Hazard in 15-passenger vans. We rented two picnic shelters in the park and provided lunch and fun activities. We sent a third of the kids at a time and rotated them through the shoe store. We were able to provide shoes and socks to over 140 kids!

Some of the kids who were out of town or were not able to come will be driven to Hazard at a later date. We expect to provide shoes for over 170 kids by the time it is all done!



Kid's Getting Shoes

Visiting Groups

Eastside Grace Team

The Eastside Grace building crew arrived in force On July 7th just in time for the worst heat wave of the summer. Both the temperatures and humidity were way above average. I still don't know how they managed to get the roof on the building without passing out. Despite the hot weather, they worked away with great vim and vigor.

Eastside Grace has done the majority of the big building projects at the Happy Church over the years. The goal of this project was to connect the Clayhole buildings together. This is no small task when you consider the roof lines and the different heights of all the building. While most of the group was building, John Harmony, Erich Devine and Jeff Johnson were fixing cars for the church and congregation members.

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Eastside Grace Team- Continued

When they left, the entire building was under roof, all the framing had been done, the new handicap accessible bathrooms in the church were all plumbed, and a chunk of the electrical wiring was finished.



Building in Progress

Bertram's and Smith's

The Bertram and Smith families also came to help with the work projects at the Clayhole Campus. They were able to help with the painting of the sanctuary, insulating and wiring the new bathrooms, and other miscellaneous projects.



Bertrams and Smiths



The Clayhole Sanctuary Painting Complete

Roy Sherwood and Larry Berger from Centerville Grace came after Eastside Grace left and got a great start to installing the duct work for the new addition. There is still a lot more to do, however much was completed. Thanks Roy and Larry!



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Horizon Ministry Team



The Horizon Ministry Team has been part of Happy Soles for many years. I don't think we could have accomplished the shoe-giveaway without them! They provided ALL the book bags and helped the kids pick out shoes. They were also very active around the church and accomplished many chores that needed to be done.

Kid's City

The big news for our Kid's City was the give-away we mentioned earlier, with new shoes, socks, book bags and school supplies to start the school year off with. A big thanks to the many people that helped to make that happen!

Clayhole Campus News

The big news around the Clayhole campus is all the additions and remodeling that are going on. It is exciting to see what can be done when God's people work together!

Teen Update



Happy Kids at Momentum

Momentum 2019 was a phenomenal week for 6th-12th grade students and their youth leaders coming from 104 churches across the country. The purpose of Momentum is to help students develop and deepen their passion and faith in Christ. We had a total of 23, including adult leaders, who attended. The conference had great speakers and teaching, along with an opportunity to do a community outreach project. During the trip, two of our teens accepted Christ! Many of our other teens were spiritually challenged. One night, Connie felt like there was a revival going on with many teens confessing to one another and praying together. Connie said you could really sense the Holy Spirit working in their lives. Below is a link to a recap of the Momentum conference.

<https://youtube.com/watch?v=QdH6yvF4C20>

Upcoming Schedule

- Wednesday Bible Study at Clayhole
- Thursday Kid's City at the Jackson Campus
 - Friday Teen Night
 - Sunday Service
- Aug 11-16th CIM Ministry Team



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Prayer Requests, Praises and Needs

- Praise for the two girls that prayed to receive Christ during the Momentum Conference!
- Praise for the seven baptisms in July and Early August. One of the people getting baptized, had not been to church in 30 years! He came to the service and received Christ and was baptized an hour later.
- Continue to pray for more van drivers.
- Pray the Ott family can sell their house in PA and raise support to join us in the ministry full-time.
- Praise as John has finally found a medication that controls his seizures and is able to drive again!
- Pray as we plan a Kid's City for Clayhole next year.
- Pray for additional mature Christian Sunday School teachers for the Clayhole and Jackson Campuses.
- Continue to pray for all our Happy Church kids. Pray for their spiritual growth and a hedge of protection around them as many live in very difficult circumstances.
- Pray for the right people to come and help to finish the Clayhole building project.
- Pray for Janet as she is the main speaker at a women's conference in Cincinnati Aug 19-20.
- Pray for Randy as he goes to his next eye appointment on Aug 21st. Pray that his eye continues to heal well, and his eyesight continues to improve.
- Pray for our volunteers and praise for our donors that help make the Happy Church Ministry possible!
- Centerville Grace is now managing the books for the Happy Church. Anyone mailing in donations, should mail them to :

The Happy Church
410 E. Social Row Rd.
Centerville, OH 45458

OR

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www.TheHappyChurch.org/donate/