



The Happy Church September 2021 Newsletter

July-August Highlights

Flood Cleanup and Repairs

There are two remaining projects from the flood damage. The Abbey, the guest trailer behind the barn, was torn down by a team from Eastside Grace and Ashland Grace. They then started to rebuild it, partly on the old trailer frame. They also extended it 8 feet wider than it was before. Before they left, they had it framed, wrapped, and windows and doors installed, as well as tar papered. An approaching Ida made it obvious we needed to get a roof on ASAP.



New Metal Roof Finished In 4 Hours

Jason, Mike, John, and Cody sprang into action. The metal roof was installed in 4 hours with a couple of delays due to light rain. Vick, Jason, and John completed all the soffit and fascia the following week.



Soffit and Fascia by Vick, Jason, and John

Mount Carmel Christian Church made their second trip this year to help put the campus back together. They completed sanding walls in the white parsonage and put a cement floor in the dirt floor basement of Mike's house. They completed many other projects as well.

If anyone has been around the Happy Church for a while, you have most likely met Lucy Spicer. She is the life of the party when she is around. She has always dreamed about getting some siding put on her house. She had some used siding laying around, but there had never been a group to take on that project. A group from Linwood Community Church in New Jersey heard about this and wanted to do a project in the community.



Start of Project



Same Side - One Day Later



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They did not use her old siding, but instead bought all new siding to use for the project. On top of that, they heard her washing machine was broken and bought her a brand new washer. What a blessing! The back of the house is not finished yet, so if anyone has some siding skills, grab a friend and help finish the project. They also installed a back porch on a trailer of ailing elderly woman as well as numerous other projects.

Happy Soles Ministry

We were able to purchase over 125 pairs of shoes for children as they head out to school. They also received book bags and school supplies. Check out this link: https://fb.watch/7_5Be2G0PT/ We were also able to award over \$12,000 dollars from our scholarship fund to college students for this fall semester.

Happy Acres

The Ott family is transitioning to their life here in Kentucky. There is still so much left to be done to turn their property into the ministry tool that they have envisioned. There are hundreds of hours/work and thousands of dollars in funds needed to get their place into shape. Jason is an excellent mechanic and hopes to use the garage to supplement his income while working with our ministry.

Clayhole Campus News

Improvements were made by visiting groups this summer. Mt Carmel Christian Church installed two showers upstairs in the gym. They also remodeled the coffee room, tearing out a wall, and made a counter so coffee can be served to those in the sanctuary. They pulled out the old boiler system, installed Shiplap, and much more. Work continued with Community Christian Church on fixing up the Clayhole parsonage, with more rooms being done and the front porch getting painted. Big time cleaning took place, a custom table was built for the sound booth, and more!

Happy Kids' Ministry

We started our Kids' Night on July 22nd. We were excited to see many of the kids come back, as well as some new faces. Unfortunately, we had to temporarily pause the Kids' Night again, because we went to a record high number of active Covid cases in the community. The rates have already started to decrease, so we are hoping to start up again soon.



Foam Machine at Kids' Night

Prayer Requests, Praises, and Needs

- Please pray for a younger pastor to take over the Clayhole campus.
- Pray for the funds Jason needs for completing his home and mechanics garage in Jackson.
- Pray for Connie and Tiffany, as they are near completion of their degrees in addiction counseling.
- Please pray for wisdom as to when to start live services again.
- Praise for Vick Smith who came down again from Wisconsin to help make repairs.
- Praise for our donors that help make the Happy Church Ministry possible.
- Praise for all the groups and individuals that have donated funds and/or come down to help get the Happy Church back into shape.



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