

The Happy Church Newsletter - Fall 2025

New Ministry Video

We are so excited about the future direction of the Happy Church. The property next door to Happy Church, which used to be a trailer park, was donated to the church. This property is much higher than where the Happy Church Campus is now. The ground level is just below the new revised flood level, however it can be raised to above flood levels before building a new church there. We are going to need a lot of help to move forward on this project, so please share the following video with friends and family. It explains the the ministry and the vision of the Happy Church.

Ministry Overview 2025 - Big news for our future!

<u>Scholorship Ministry</u>

Each year, the scholorship program has gained more funding and more students. In 2025, 12 students were awarded funds for college and trade schools. Some funds were also used for work study programs to help prepare students to enter the working world.

<u>Kids' Ministry</u>

We are so encouraged that our numbers at Kids' Night, as well as all other ministries are nearing pre-Covid/floods level. It is exciting to see young adults who we ministered to as kids now volunteering to help with the kid's ministries! The link below is a testimony of siblings, James and Marybeth, who attended as children and are now active in the ministry.

James and Marybeth Video Link



In addition to the Thursday Kids' Night, the following activities are also available to the kids: music lessons, voice lessons, gymnastics, Bible quizzing, karate, and summer tutoring. The children earn points for attendance and for memorizing Bible verses each week. These points are called "Happy Cash." We then allow

the children to go into the thrift store and spend their Happy Cash on new and like-new children's toys, bikes, games, and clothes that are donated to the church. We do this about once each quarter. Let us know if you have donations so we can arrange collection.

Bible Quizzing

Bible quizzing used to be a staple of the kid's ministry. Due to covid and the floods, we haven't had a team. We are excited that we have a team as pictured below. They had their first competition in Lexington recently. The leaders are former Bible quizzers. They think it is important for their children to be involved in memorizing God's Word just as they did when they were younger.

October Quizzing 2025 Link



Clayhole Construction

We are so excited about the work getting done to rebuild the Clayhole Campus. FEMA has released some funds to begin the project. Looking in the door, you can get a glimpse of what it will look like when finished. The drop ceiling has been removed. The cathedral ceiling makes the inside look much bigger. Tommy Molands is the construction manager overseeing the project.

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Teen Ministry

The teen ministry has seen a lot of growth. With Pastor Alan leaving, it was taken over by Austin Imhoff, Trevor Fugate, and Kelvin Napier. Along with the Bible teaching, some of the teens have been involved with service projects. They have also been a big help with the Kids' Night.

Happy Soles Ministry

Over 140 children received new shoes, backbacks, tshirts, socks, and school supplies to begin the school year. Eastside Christian Church from Milford, OH, came to help with getting the children fitted with shoes and to provide a meal as kids were rotated through the store. Many people have donated to make this happen. This ministry was first started by a donor who grew up poor and knew what it felt like to start school with old or no shoes and old clothing.

Happy Soles Video Link



Celebrate Recovery Ministry

The Happy Church Celebrate Recovery Ministy has been steadily growing this year. Attached is a video from Shauna Gilbert who is leading the ladies portion of the ministry. Billy Dieringer and pastor Mike oversee the men's group. It is a must see story of victory over addiction. The group includes individuals who come in on their own and some are court ordered to attend a meeting. A meal is served as part of the meeting.

Celebrate Recovery Testimony Link

<u>Prayer Requests, Praises, and Needs</u>

- Praise for the groups that have come and helped rebuild the campus and to minister with us here in Jackson.
- Pray for Mike and Connie as they have been stretched to the limit leading the Happy Church ministry.
- Pray for a bi-vocational Pastor to come and help with the ministry duties.
- Pray that funds will come in to cover the costs for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner Baskets. This year the cost of a basket will be \$40.
- Pray that some could come to Christ through the Thanksgiving and Christmas programs.
- Praise for the sponsorship of over 200 kids for Christmas presents this year.
- Pray for funds for a new building above the flood plain.
- Praise for our donors that help make the Happy Church Ministry possible.

Donations

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