

The Happy Church

Building a Better Future

Summer 2026



Clayhole Campus Relaunch

Happy Church Clayhole has opened, and we are now having regular services on Sundays at 11am. What a great celebration we had as this old flood damaged building has come back better than ever. Some of our Happy Church kids from 24 years ago are now keeping the place running and the ministry is beginning to thrive once again! Click the link below to see the process of rebuilding.

[Happy Church Clayhole video](#)

“New Happy” is Underway

*PRAY FOR US... SOMEONE GAVE PASTOR MIKE A HARD HAT 😊



Building a New Campus OUT of the Flood Plain!

The work has begun for the future home of Happy Church Jackson. While the major blueprints are complete, the finer details are still being ironed out. We see our Lord's provision and blessing on this and believe this to be an answer to the prayers of many who have been interceding on our behalf to get out of the flood plain. We are actively raising funds to complete this project, so if God moves you to give, please click on the donation page below and state “New Happy” in the memo. We appreciate your prayers more than anything! We hope to start posting more details and pictures soon. If you have a specific interest in this project, feel free to reach out!

<https://thehappychurch.org/donate/>

Ministry Updates

Kids Ministry

The attendance on Kid's night is still very strong, averaging 50 or more kids per week!

The Summer Work/Tutoring program was a hit! The tutoring emphasized bible reading, math, music, and drama. They earned money by performing manual labor tasks for an hour each week. Those who saved their money received a bonus at the end of the season (delayed gratification in action).

Gymnastics is flippin' awesome and Karate class is still kicking. 😊

Our Junior Bible Quizzers have been studying and they will begin competing again in October.

Happy Soles Ministry

Check out the latest video to see our annual shoe and backpack giveaway! We are forever grateful for the opportunity to help our kids feel confident and prepared for the upcoming school year with sturdy shoes, a cool backpack, and school supplies.

[Happy Soles 2026!](#)

Men's Ministry

We have several men who are preaching in a rotational format at Happy Church Clayhole and Happy Church Jackson! We love having the opportunities to grow men for ministry. We also have a weekly bible study we call Happy Warriors Club.



Teen Ministry

Many of our teens graduated high school and some are already attending college.

Spotlight: John Neace

John Neace is attending Great Commission Bible Institute in Lake Placid, Florida. It is an intensive 10 month program on going through the bible and helping set a strong foundation for the future. While John and his siblings have been with us from preschool on, he dedicated himself fully to God after the Charlie Kirk assassination. He has been a great example to other teens. So much so, one recently baptized teen (William, pictured below), asked John to be the one to baptize him. 😊



Adult Ministries

Spotlight: Steve and Kasey

Following the historic 2022 flood, Barb Wooler (a ministry partner with Charis Fellowship) found Steve and Kasey living with their toddler son (Asher) in a badly flood-damaged home that was filled with mold. At that time, they did not own a vehicle and Steve would have to find a ride or walk several miles to work. They were in recovery after going through rehab and - although they did not attend church - they told us that even during their darkest days of addiction they still read the Bible and prayed together.

Through a series of God-ordained events, Mike Tabor received a check from Newman Tractor with the exact amount of money (unbeknownst to the donor) needed to purchase a cottage for this young family. This check was received minutes before Connie called Mike to ask if a home could be provided to these hard-working people.

Once they were placed in their new home, blessings began to multiply. They were gifted a reliable vehicle through Mr. Godwrench automotive. Kasey began faithfully attending a Bible study over the phone led by Barb and Connie. Kasey later invited her sister, Ashley, to join them.

Fast forward to today, and the transformation is staggering. Steve is now the manager of a Rent-A-Center. On Sundays, he drives a church van to pick up other adults who need a ride to service, and he is a dedicated regular at our men's Bible study, always ready to lend a helping hand.

Furthermore, through our church's GED Work-Study Program, Kasey recently earned her GED! She now dreams of becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), and our scholarship program will grow enough to help fund her education.

The ultimate celebration happened recently when Pastor Mike had the profound honor of baptizing Steve. Then, with Barb by his side, Steve baptized his wife, Kasey. To beautifully encapsulate this family's journey, Steve and the ladies then baptized Kasey's sister, Ashley, who came to Christ through that original Bible study! Ashley is now enrolled in our GED Work-Study Program herself, with only math left to finish. As a side note, both sisters have been receiving math tutoring from two high school Happy Church girls whom our church hires and pays to tutor. It is a complete circle of community and care.

God is SO good to us. There are so many other wonderful stories like this unfolding across our campus every single week. Our adult and outreach ministries have grown so much thanks to your generosity at work.



Prayer Requests/Praises

- Pray for God's continued provision and for the new church.
- Praise that former Happy Church kids are taking over various ministries!
- Praise as several men wish to preach.
- Pray that we see our "family centered" Celebrate Recovery continue to grow.

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