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Fall 2017: Team Work Makes The Dream Work



He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

~ Ephesians 4:16

As we start to look at closing out this year it is a time of reflection for many people and definitely for us as a group. God has blessed us tremendously from the initial talk of starting a service ministry in November of 2011 that consisted of a few high school students from the community. So many prayers (and tears) have gone into trying to figure out exactly what God wants to do through this ministry. But the one thing we know for certain is He is calling us to unity through community, team work and body life. God has showed us how beautiful and productive it is to see various denominations, businesses, individuals, unbelievers, church goers and those dedicated to other ministries come together to impact those in need around our community and ultimately our world. And prayerfully we are planting seeds of faith along the way.

J.O.Y Ministries Crisis Resource Center, 411 Greensburg Street, Columbia, KY 42728

Our recent work at the Crisis Resource Center by the numbers:

- Total assistance given in August, September and October:
 - \$2391
- Total number of bags of food handed out in August, September and October: 528 bags
- Total receiving financial assistance, furniture, food, clothing, or toiletries in August, September and October: Approximately 300 families!

Praises and Prayer: We are praying for God's guidance as we plan out our new year which will include our annual Mission Week, mission trips, continuance of running the Crisis Center smoothly and especially meeting the food needs of our community and also our preparation for youth summer camps! We are so excited for what the New Year will hold! Will you please be in prayer alongside us for these endeavors?

We also must praise God and give Him total glory for the tremendous amount of unity we have seen this quarter. When the hurricanes hit we knew we needed to help but we had no idea the response we would get from our little town. We received so many items we ended up with 2 ½ semi truck loads of things to deliver. We had so many individuals and church groups stop by and help package and load the trucks. We even had people stop and just pray over everything before the truck left out. The amount of support and work that went into that project was so overwhelming. We love and appreciate our community so very much!

We are also asking for prayers for running day camps for children and youth this summer as well as anyone interested in helping with these programs. We are excited to be able to provide underprivileged students with some camp alternatives!

Glory Sighting of the Quarter: We want to share a story from when we were working on items for hurricane relief!! We were sorting; packing and loading boxes and a mother and child came in and had a truck full of items for Texas. In the process of unloading we found out that this 10 year old little girl had babysat twins over the summer and earned \$200. When she found out Columbia was helping Texas she asked her mom if she could use her money to help!! How awesome is that!!! What the world would be like if we all had the heart of a child like this... This young lady is destined to be a world changer! ❤️



When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. ~ Isaiah 43:2

Exciting News Update: As many of you already know thanks to our dear friend Mike Curry we are now located at 411 Greensburg Street and are locked in there for the next 3 years. Along with obtaining new space we also have been able to hire our first employee; Bro. Billy Payne for part-time employment and we are so thankful for Billy and what he brings to the ministry. The student volunteers, our community member and the clients we serve love him almost as much as we do! We were also able to add Billy's sister, Mary Hendrickson, to our staff through a grant program and we are so thankful for the grant and for Mary. We have had so many Lindsey Wilson College students volunteer with us through the Bonner Scholars Program as well as Practicum students in both the Human Service & Counseling Program and Christian Ministries program. Each of these people is truly a blessing and we could not run the Center without each of them. Thank you!



We will also officially be a Feeding America Site going into 2018. There are no words to express how excited we are to partner with such an awesome organization. If you are curious what that looks like or would like to know how you can help just contact us!

This month we are kicking off our “Christmas J.O.Y.” campaign. This year we would love to get the entire community to come on board and support us in our local work to serve those in physical and spiritual crisis. We are hoping to raise over \$7000 to fund the ministry to those that are living on the edge of homelessness, are homeless, struggle with food insecurity or just need the love of Christ in their life.

Information about the campaign can be found on poster boards at local vendors around the community, including Bank of Columbia, United Citizens Bank, Circle R Restaurant, North Century Pharmacy, Grimsley’s Jewlers, Acapulco Grill, the Adair County Library, Jeffries’ Hardware, All Natural Health Foods, Barger Insurance, JD Zornes Law Office, the Lindsey Wilson Health and Wellness Center, J.O.Y. Ministries headquarters, and several local churches, just to name a few locations.

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Church and Community Partners: We love our partners!!! A big thank you to all the local organizations that have come on board in powerful ways to support the ministry happening at the CRC!

- WAIN 93.5
- WHVE 92.7
- Lindsey Wilson College Bonner Scholars
- Jeffries Hardware
- The Adair Progress
- Pearson Painting
- Bank of Columbia
- United Citizens Bank
- Columbia Magazine
- Columbia UMC
- Glens Fork Church of the Nazarene
- Columbia Seventh-Day Adventist
- Beulah Chapel Church
- Knifley Chapel Brethren in Christ
- Russell Heights Baptist Church
- Cane Valley Christian Church
- Old Concord United Methodist Church
- Egypt Christian Church
- Bear Wallow UMC
- Old Concord UMC
- Red Lick UMC
- Rotary Club
- Gardening Club
- Town and Country Homemakers
- Farmer's Market on the Square
- Retired Teachers' Association
- North Century Pharmacy
- Bull Run Charity
- Experience Works
- Cash Express
- Kevin Sommer Trucking
- Grimsely's Jewlery
- TECE Title Services., Inc.
- Los Agaves Restaurant
- The Community Voice
- Trifecta Printing
- Valley Collections and Creations
- Learning Tree Kids Zone
- Salvation Army
- Mike Curry and A1 Transportation
- Columbia Wal-Mart
- Columbia City Hall
- Jax Cool Convenience, Russell Springs and Stanford
- Columbia IGA
- Save-A-Lot
- Rogers Trucking
- R-Tech, Mt. Vernon, KY
- Trinity UMC
- Sparksville Church of the Nazarene
- Prayer Link, Columbia Baptist Church

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- Sparksville Baptist Church
- Hotprints

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