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Project 5 2

God is good. God is faithful.

Project 5 2's Mission (Living out Isaiah 58 & Matthew 25)

- Be the hands & feet of Christ by redistributing freely-given material wealth of others to the poor, specifically along the Appalachian Trail.
- Be the hands & feet of Christ by serving and redistributing goods to those who are neglected locally (the Tri-State), specifically orphans.
- Be a teaching mechanism to the Church, ministries, and others on serving the needy kingdom through principles.



As we strive to be good stewards of the resources given us, we ask your help. Would you rather receive the newsletter via email? Please let us know by emailing us at office.project.52@gmail.com

Thanks!



Remember, once you have read your newsletter, please pass it on to a friend, neighbor or church member.

*Project 5 2 is a faith-based 501C3 distributor of food, clothing, and supplies to the needy in the tri-state, Appalachia regions and beyond. Founded in 2008 in West Chester, OH.

Dedicated to Jesus.
Run by God.
Directed by the Holy Spirit.

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Project 5 2 Anniversary

February of 2016 marked the 9th anniversary of the start of Project 5 2. It's hard to believe we have finished our 8th year of full time ministry. Over the years, Project 5 2 has evolved into so much more than providing food, and supplies to the needy. As God uses us to 'ease the burdens' of not only the poor, but of our brothers and sisters in Christ, (Galatians 6:2), we find ourselves at times, a sounding board and a source of encouragement to so many ministry and church leaders who find themselves isolated and weary (Ephesians 4: 11-13). In some ways, we have become a 'band leader' to promote unity in The Church (John 17:21) as we ask churches to work together in their communities. Jesus, who could have spent almost his final breaths praying anything he wanted, spent them praying for believers to be One as He is One with the Father! We are a cheerleader for prayer for our nation, and at times we feel like a revival torch in God's hand for those would listen, planting donated bibles everywhere we travel - all the while sharing resources across every man made division in the Body of Jesus Christ. (For those of you who would like to refute that, come travel with us!) Sometimes it feels like a tall order, but God continues to encourage us in many ways, including through our partners.

Jesus Christ did what he saw his Father do,

(John 5:19) and said whatever his Father commanded him to say (John 12:49). The things we feel God is calling us all to are pretty clear in Acts 2, Acts 4, John 17 and 1 Corinthians 13. The early church shared resources with each other as they had need, and they were united in 'spirit and in purpose'. And so we trust and pray, as we walk out the ministry He has given us, that we will BE the Church and the Light of Christ to a lost and hurting world and follow in Jesus' footsteps as he grants us the grace to do it. Thank you for your prayers and financial support, you will never know how much it means to us! Please keep praying. God Bless You all!

As the Fathers Fall, so go the Nations

In a homily given by Pope John Paul II in 1986, he stated "as the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the world in which we live". I'd like to expound on that if I may, and add "as the fathers fall, so goes the family, so goes the nation and so goes the world in which we live".

Did you know we now have hundreds of initiatives in this country to teach fathers how to be dads? Go ahead and google that. Did you know we have a 'National Center for Fathering'? It's located in Springdale Arizona. Is it me, or is it sad and concerning to know we have come to the place where we need an initiative to promote active 'fathering' and to teach fathers how to be 'dads'? Don't get me wrong, it looks like they are doing a great work at the National Center, in engaging a father or father figure in the life of every child, and striving to train fathers how to be active and involved in the lives of their children. Some fathers have never had a role model to teach them those things. All great stuff and desperately needed, but I guess the bigger question I have is... what has happened to the men of this generation? The following is a quote from the National Center for Fathering website:

"More than 20 million children live in a home without the physical presence of a father. Mil-



Risen Savior!

lions more have dads who are physically present, but emotionally absent. If it were classified as a disease, fatherlessness would be an epidemic worthy of attention as a national emergency....In short, fatherlessness is associated with almost every societal ill facing our country's children".

Hello? Does this alarm anybody? One out of every three children in America live in biological father absent homes! If that doesn't rattle you, here are more fatherless statistics according to the documentary, Irreplaceable: 71% of high school drop outs come from fatherless homes; 63% of youth suicides; 71% of pregnant teenagers; 85% of children with behavioral disorders; 90% of homeless and runaway children; 85% of youth in prison; 80% of rapists with anger problems, and the list goes on. Here are some Fatherhood stats as well: there are estimated 64.3 million fathers across this nation; 26.5 million fathers who are part of a married couple family with their own children; 2.5 million single fathers, up from 400,000 in 1970; 18% of single parents living with their own children are men.

When we go into impoverished areas around the country, we are often met with crime, domestic violence, emotional dysfunction, drugs, sexual promiscuity, low work ethic, depression, hopelessness, loneliness, hunger, and desperation. Many of these 'societal ills'- congruent with the amount of fatherlessness and single parenting/ no parenting we see. There is a connection, no doubt. It is not just destroying homes and cities in the Appalachian Mountains and urban alleys of America, but it's rampant in the suburbs as well. Don't let large homes, nice cars and white picket fences fool you.

In order to take the nation back, we must take our families back. God's design calls all men to become men of action. Men of prayer. Men of



holiness. Men of courage. Men of God who lead their families spiritually as priests of their homes. Jesus paved the way, see Hebrews 7:17. And the Bible is clear on our positions in the home, both as husband (Ephesians 5:25), and as a father (Joshua 24:15), but these roles can only be lived out effectively in Christ because apart from Christ, we can do nothing. Men, we must be men and we must trust in the Lord as He is our help and our shield. (Psalm 115:9-11). Guys, when was the last time we checked our spiritual temperature? (Not, how many times have we been in church the last month). Who runs the show in our homes? Do our wives and children see us trusting and honoring the Lord? How are you doing in teaching your children morals, humility, respect and a work ethic? Do they see selflessness or selfishness in us? Is our faith a priority and does our family know that? Am I leading my family in the things of God, or is my wife or church? Do I talk about and teach the Word with my family, or do I trust that to others?

*"If you love me, feed my sheep."
John 21:15-19*

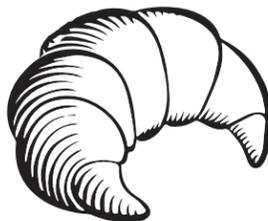
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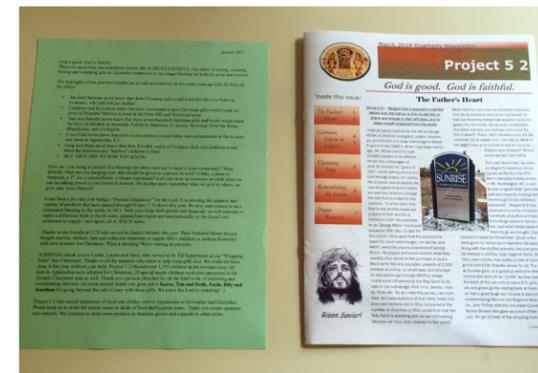
Volunteer Spotlight

We have many partners and volunteers with Project 5 2 that help with distribution, driving, sorting, restaurant pick ups, sit on our board of directors. Each of them has been and continues to be vital to this ministry, as the hands and feet of Christ. We are so thankful for each one! Just to Jackson Kentucky alone, we have taken over 80 churches and 2000 volunteers!

In keeping with Romans 13:7, this month, we wanted to say a special thank you to a volunteer who for the past 6+ years of this ministry, has worked diligently behind the scenes to produce our newsletter each quarter. From cutting, pasting, editing, layout, printing, folding, stamping, mailing and praying, she has been a huge blessing to the two of us whose writing and technical skills are challenged at best! It was not an easy task, but Traci Rodulfo was professional and shared our desire to lift up the Name of Jesus in every issue.

Traci and Greg recently took a transfer to Tennessee with Greg's job and they will be greatly missed! We miss them already! Traci, thank you for the hundreds of hours you devoted to our newsletter over the years. We will miss your special touches and creativity as you "cleaned up" our newsletter over the years! No doubt! We love you and miss you both.

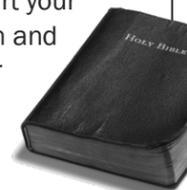
Jerry and Tracy



The evolution of our newsletter thanks to Traci

B 4 Project—Borrowed Bibles to Build the Body

Wanted: All new or gently used Bibles that are collecting dust in our churches or home book shelves. Project 5 2 will collect all B4's !!! Also, all hotel shampoo, soap, conditioners, personal hygiene items. Will use both Bibles and hygiene items at homeless shelters, drug and alcohol rehab centers. And also abused women's homes. Start your own Bible collection campaign and once you have collected 50 or more Bibles. Call or text Jerry for pick up logistics.



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- UDF
- Red Lobster
- Hannah's Socks
- Olive Garden
- Auntie Ann's Pretzels
- Mr. Godwrench
- Outback Steakhouse
- Longhorn Steakhouse
- Carrabba's Italian Grill
- Bonefish Grill
- KFC
- Cheesecake Factory

Thank you for your products and your services. You are a sincere blessing to Project 5 2 and the communities we serve. Over 30 restaurants!



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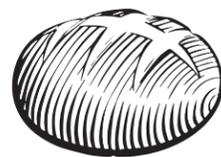
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Creative Ways to Support Project 5 2



A recently donated vehicle, a 1979 Mercedes Benz 300 SD!
Tim: 513-755-7146/ Jerry: 513-325-7144

Prayerfully consider donating your used car, van or truck to Project 5 2. We have partnered over the years with Mr. Godwrench in Mason, Ohio. Between both ministries, we have many outlets in which to bless others, and you get the tax write off. We are often on the front line of folks in need, so if you have a vehicle to donate, please text jerry or call Tim at Mr. Godwrench and let him know Jerry referred you. All first time customers receive a \$14.99 oil change. Vehicles will be checked out and found homes for, provided they have 'miles of life' left. It's the perfect way to assist both ministries and bless someone in need of transportation. Tim Ellison (Mr. Godwrench) has given away 35 vehicles, covering 3 states since 2009!



A Very Special Birthday Party

We were so blessed to receive a call from a friend who was the previous guidance counselor at Cincinnati Christian Schools, High School, where our children attended. Her daughter Patty, was having a birthday and decided instead of her friends bringing her gifts, she would like her friends to bring items that would help someone else in need. They called us and wanted to donate the items to Project 5 2. We were so

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blessed! What 8-year old does that? Patty and her friends, donated children's shoes, baby diapers, bibs and every kind of hygiene item, one could think of - from shampoo to toothbrushes and everything in between. We even received gently used children's clothing! Thank you Mary, Patty and all of your friends who have helped the children in eastern Kentucky this summer by your love and selflessness. And by the way your cakepops were amazing!



Samaritan's Ministries

Consider joining a healthcare insurance alternative. When our health insurance monthly premium climbed to almost \$1000, we decided as a family to look into other options. One 'out of the box' solutions was a Christian health care co-op called Samaritan Ministries, where thousands of Christian families share one another's medical costs. The monthly rates are 50% of what most premiums are. We joined recently and it just feels right to send our checks to other Christian families in need along with a prayer and word of encouragement (Acts 2/4) each month, instead of supporting liberal insurance companies.

Pray about the switch. And if you decide shared health care might be something you're interested in, let them know the Reiners from Project 5 2 referred you. (We would get a small referral fee and would appreciate that as well!) Thanks!

For more info on Samaritan Ministries, visit their website: www.Samaritanministries.org



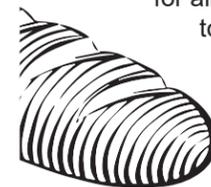
How's my quiet time with the Lord? When was the last time I heard his voice? Let me just say this, my children are in their 20s and in this day and age, they need my love and support now, more than they ever have, although they would never admit that.

I wrote in a previous article, that Jesus spent some of his last breath on earth praying that future generations will know the only True God, and Jesus Christ his son, and that all of us may be one with Him, just as He and the Father are One. (John 17:21). We certainly understand there are many reasons for fatherlessness in our nation, but I do know this: as fathers go, families go, neighborhoods go, cities go, and eventually so goes the nation. The evidence is all around us. We see it as an emergency epidemic especially in the areas we travel. Men of God, it's time to examine our oneness with our Father.

There are two men who served as foundational building blocks to me personally during my early married years. They added to a legacy my dad has passed down to me. One of these men is Bill McCartney, founder of Promise Keepers. I met the Lord at a PK event in Boulder Colorado, where the seeds were planted for the desire to become a God-fearing husband. The other man is Ron Rand, founder of the FATHERS Team Ministry which I attended and was equipped to become a better father to my children. After 18 PK conferences and 10 years of FATHERS, I'm making headway, 'not that I have already obtained the goal, or am already perfect', as Paul said, 'but I press on to make it my own'. Praise God for his longsuffering and constant refinement!

I often pray for revival in this country, but I don't believe there could ever be one until the men who are the chosen leaders in this country step up and begin to lead their families. This photo from 1952 has lot of symbolism to me. First, I believe it has a special meaning in regard to this country in that the pyramid of men is standing firm in front of the Capitol building of the United States of America. Secondly, on a personal note, the man on the bottom right of the pyramid is Bob Reiner, my dad. The other men in the picture have been life long friends of his, as well as dedicated husbands and fathers. My dad is a man of great integrity, character, and a strong work ethic. He has been a dedicated father, and husband of 56 years, to my mother. I love you dearly dad, and I thank you for the legacy and testimony to God and family you have handed down to me. It has not gone unnoticed. I pray for the grace to pass that torch to my children, but in the meantime, I will be praying for all men/fathers/husbands in this country, to return to our posts, our rightful and ordained posts as leaders - in Christ.

~ Jerry



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Diamonds in the Rough

Recently, on a trip to Jackson Kentucky to drop our daughter



off for her summer internship at the Happy Church, we had the opportunity to talk to John Jacobson, the administrative pastor. Pastor John had called us earlier in the month and told us about a teen age boy he and his wife Chris had been discipling. He told us his name is Cody, and he has an interest in computers, and that he has become a 'regular' in the Jacobson household.

During one of our conversations, John told us, "every once in awhile, a child comes along down here that stands out as not only having potential, but great potential, a 'diamond in the rough' so to speak" and Cody is that diamond. Cody is sixteen, and has five siblings- they all live in extreme poverty. John has been mentoring him for about a year now.

Chris told us that Cody keeps some of his clothing at their house in the spare bedroom, and about every other day, he showers there, and Chris washes his clothes. She even purchased a few changes of clothes for him. Cody attends the Happy Church in Jackson, and performs routinely with the drama team as well as serves as a teen leader at their Thursday night kids program.

John noticed that Cody had an interest in fixing computers,



and he used that interest to build a bridge in their relationship. As a former corporate IT operations manager, John purchased some tools and parts and also had lots of parts and programs for Cody, to get him thinking about launching a computer repair business. "He finished first place in his district in a computer repair competition. It was the first time anyone from Breathitt High had ever won" said John. The technical duo have been doing a blend of giving away and selling re-

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paired computers. "I was also able to get him a job repairing computers at a local business, and he was able to get another repair job while he was selling computers at our monthly thrift store sale". As John is discipling and mentoring Cody with life skills, he says he will use this business to help Cody learn about tithing, savings, good business practices and ethics.

With all thanks and praise to God our Father, who knows our every need, Project 5 2 with the help of one of our partners, was able to deliver about fifty+ used and broken computers to Cody to help kick start his business this past May. Project 5 2 has never received a computer donation of that quantity or kind before. Coincidence? We don't think so. Isaiah 43:4a:

"Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you"...

We are precious and honored in God's sight! He considers us His treasure (even more precious than diamonds!) So much so, that He sent His only begotten Son to earth to take on our sin and pay our penalty by dying on a cross in our place, that we might spend eternity with Him. Like Cody, we are all still 'diamonds in the rough' but our Loving Father provides and cares for us because he sees us of much more worth than diamonds, and as the finished product of what we can become under His perfect care. Please pray for Cody in the coming months as the Lord puts him on your heart and the Jacobson's too! God is so good!

LOVE DAYTON



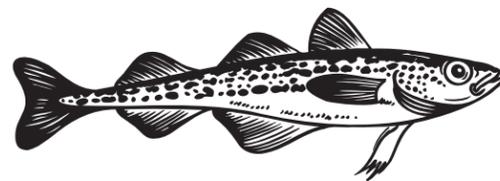
Love Dayton event had all the elements of an outreach that Project 5 2 loves to get involved in. One, a chance to serve, and two, many churches involved, across state and denominational lines. Three, going into the not so "tourist friendly" neighbourhoods and four, it was an event soaked in prayer with street evangelists,



and prayer warriors, His hands and feet on the front line passing out food and supplies in the name of Jesus Christ. Praying with the hurting, loving the lost. This is our kind of event!

Although there were many working parts, Project 5 2 donated clothing and approximately 1500/2000 loaves of bread, bagels and bakery items for about 20 neighborhoods (over 2000 homes) in Dayton Ohio.

God's Holy Spirit was at work as recipients felt God's loving presence in many ways- including comfort, renewed hope, healing, love and prayer. Some even responded by surrendering their lives to Jesus Christ and answering His "knock on the door" (Rev 3:20)...So I guess God is still using 5 loaves (and couple fish) in 2016. All praise and honor goes to our dear Lord who gives the increase and brings the lost into His Kingdom! Amen !



Daniel 12:10

"Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand".

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. You have an anointing from the Holy One; Live by it! Give yourself to God, live for Him wholly and utterly; see to it that, where you personally are concerned, the things of this world are scored off Satan's books and transferred to God's account. For the world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever".

~ One of Pastor/Evangelist Watchman Nee's final recorded quotes after serving 20 years in a Chinese prison then persecuted for his Christian faith. The year of his death – 1972.

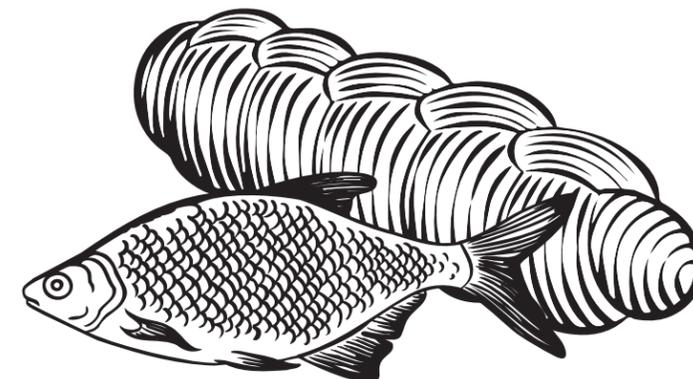
Prayers, Praises and Needs.....

- We praise God for his constant faithfulness for provision and resources!
- Praises for traveling mercies everyday!
- Trusting God for more cases/ semis of Bibles
- Please pray that God will grant us wisdom concerning the expansion into new Appalachian areas
- Please pray for our many volunteers
- Please pray for churches to understand and execute Acts 2; Acts 4; Matt 25 and Matt 28
- Please pray for souls to come into the Kingdom along the Appalachian trail and everywhere God sends us
- Pray for Cody and all the children in Jackson Kentucky @ the Happy Church
- Personal needs: Finances for Jerry's dental work; Finances for extra medical expenses; Vehicle for our daughter Abby;

Meditate on Isaiah 58 and be blessed!

Agape love,

Jerry and Tracy



Jackson Kentucky Families Canned Food Drive

Perishables
Milk
Cereal
Bologna
Fresh fruit
Fresh Vegetables
Hot dogs
Juice
Hamburger
Chicken Nuggets
Dinner rolls/Bread
Did we say bologna? ;)

Non Perishables
Cereal
Soup
Canned fruit
Canned meat
Canned Vegetables
PB & J
Ramen Noodles
Mac n Cheese
Spaghetti sauce
Pasta
Capri Suns
Rice
Dry beans/ Any beans!

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Brushes/Combs
Toothpaste
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Floss
Mouthwash
Kleenex
Soap
Shampoo
Lice treatment
Sunscreen
Laundry detergent