



Project 52

God is good. God is faithful.

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Let Us Not Grow Weary

Galatians 6:9,10: And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Three of the poorest counties in the U.S. are located in eastern Kentucky. Owsley, Clay, and McCreary counties are in that pack. Breathitt county would also be in that pack if it weren't for the hospital in Jackson Kentucky.

We recently made a trip down to Jackson KY in early August to see our friends at the Happy Church and take some supplies. We had seen pictures of the aftermath of damage on social media, left from the devastating flood that raged through those counties, and heard from friends who were helping with relief efforts there. When we arrived, our hearts were crushed at not only the physical devastation, but the shockwave it left on our friends the Tabors and Jacobsons- the pastors and their families who have dedicated their lives to this area for many years. Their homes are on the Happy church campus and were destroyed along with the whole or part of 7 other buildings.

Words cannot really describe it. Photos don't really do it justice.

We saw children who were pretty much brought up on the Happy Church campus wanting to help with clean up, but honestly, the work they were doing was work professional restoration companies should have been doing.

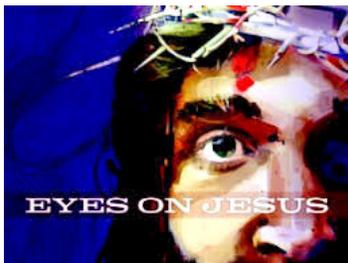
We saw a weary pastor and his wife, ministering to their congregants and neighbors, in the wake of losing everything themselves, and giving to their neighbors in the midst of their own pain and shock.

We saw Pastor Mike's daughter, Vanessa, an ER nurse, and her husband along with their 3-year old who have been traveling back and forth from Indiana and are acting as project managers for the Happy Church campus of 9 buildings total. Vanessa has been given a restoration plan and she organizes groups who come down to help.

We met with Pastor John and his wife Chris who moved their home to the campus years ago. They have decided, it is time for them to retire from The Happy Church, as they are weary also, and both have developed health issues. The time we spent with them was bitter sweet. Chris told us, everything they own at this point could probably fit in the backseat of their car.

Don't get us wrong, God is sending work teams and people are showing up to help in eastern KY, but there is SO much to do, and by the way, we don't agree it is the government's job. Yes FEMA is there and helping but the help is never enough. It's our time to shine Church. What better time to show the world that we are different in that we are full of love

"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:2).



for one another, compassionate and selfless, in the midst of the “crooked and twisted generation” that we currently find ourselves in, as the apostle Paul would put it. What better time to consider others more significant than ourselves? (Phil 2). If not in these moments, then WHEN?

Church, they don't need any more bottled water.

They need their brothers and sisters in Christ around the tri-state, to run to their aid in whatever way God has gifted you to help them. To actually sacrifice and invest. Project 5 2 is fundraising for the churches ravaged by this flood in the Jackson area, starting with the Happy Church in Jackson. (www.thehappychurch.org). We don't just want this campus restored to it's former self, our hope is that it is restored to more than it was. Research is being done as to what materials they could use to rebuild that would be less costly to replace or might not have to be replaced, if this would ever happen again, but yet not cut corners as they need sound construction. This church does incredible work with little resources. They are known in that area to help families around them and be an arm of outreach into the community. They are a lighthouse in the darkness in Breathitt county, feeding both physically and spiritually; they welcome and serve children and their families in Jackson, and introduce them to Jesus. They disciple, mentor and have even been known to take children in who have lived lives of abuse and neglect. They find those “diamonds in the rough” and help them to discover their gifts and abilities, all the while feeding them words of life through scripture, providing for them physically and helping them to launch when the time is right. Those kind of “shepherds” are few and far between from our experience, and they have been rocked by this flood.

Please take the time to pray and seek what God would have you do to help. All we ask is that you do something. Please contact Jerry at 513.325.7144 for questions. Checks can be made out to **the Happy Church** and sent to Project 5 2, P.O. Box 964, West Chester, OH 45071; 100% of the money that is sent to our P.O. Box will go to restoring the Happy Church campus, no administration fees. You can also donate through Paypal @ www.thehappychurch.org/donate.

Oversight of financial matters for the Happy Church is being managed and accounted for by Centerville Grace Church in Centerville, OH who also partner with them. Contact Ned@CentervilleGrace.org for questions.

Note fom Pastor Mike Tabor

Written by my daughter, Vanessa Blinn, just like I would have written it, only better.

Flood update: Why do we stay?

I have been asked versions of the same questions several times: “Why is the church rebuilding in a flood plain? Why don't you guys move somewhere else? What if this happens again? Shouldn't y'all move while you have the resources?”

I would be lying if I said we hadn't been asking ourselves

these same questions.

In truth, we have asked them several times.

We asked them when the flood waters came, again.

When we realized the devastation the waters brought.

When we anticipated the work and money that would be required to rebuild.

When we heard of the lives that had been lost.

Honestly, we asked God if this was a sign. A sign that our ministry has fulfilled its purpose? A sign that we should move on?

And then the calls came.

The calls from people nationwide who were rallying to support The Happy Church and the community we love and serve.

The calls from people of our community who trust us to be there for them during this devastating time.

The calls from the man in the article below, whose feet were so blistered from the only shoes he owned that he came to us because he knew God would provide for him through us.

The man who walked home from our church with all of the supplies he asked for, boots that fit, and the knowledge that God loves him.

The call from the neighbor of the mother who lost her son two streets down the road. The call requesting that we come and pray. The need that we were able to meet immediately because of our location.

So why do we stay?

We stay because this is where God placed us. This is where our ministry is. This is where our community is. This is where our family is.

And if it is God's will that we stay, he will carry us through. He will provide the resources to rebuild. He will give us the strength to move forward.

If you have any questions about our ministry or how you can help, please call Vanessa at 765-661-8987.





Re: Eastern KY Flood Victims

Dear Friends,

My name is Jerry Reiner. I left the business world 15 years ago to start Project 5 2 (www.pro52.org) with my wife Tracy. We are a Christian, food, supply, (clothing) and Bible ministry serving many Appalachian communities, as well as homeless shelters, drug rehab centers, street ministries and urban and rural ministries that have a heart to make Jesus known, but are under resourced to help the people they serve or reach out into their communities.

We have made many trips over the past 15 years to towns in eastern Kentucky, including Jackson, Harlan, Hazard and Yeadiss, serving the poorest of the poor in those areas through local ministries. We as a team (both Project 5 2 and many partnering churches) have made over 75 trips to Jackson KY over the years with everything from church van loads, box trucks and even semi trucks a time or two.

Project 5 2 has started a campaign to help the victims of this recent devastating flood that has left so many people completely homeless and shattered both physically and mentally. This is the Church's time to shine. Our goal is \$1,000,000 for the flood victims of Jackson KY. I hope and pray to be able to raise even more than our goal. Much of the housing in the Jackson and Hazard areas were actually swept away in the flood.

Personally, we know 2 pastors (friends) who have committed their lives to helping and serving children and their families in Jackson KY. They have both lost most everything. Their homes are on the Happy Church campus (thehappychurch.org) and both were flooded and ruined. It has yet to be determined what is salvageable. Most every building on their campus where they minister the gospel and feed hundreds of children, has been devastated from the flood. Evaluations are still taking place as to the extent of what can and cannot be restored. Most of the church's congregants have also lost their homes. The Happy Church is being used as a small distribution arm in that area and many people come to them for help. The need is great.

I pray that God would touch your heart today to give generously to this campaign. Every dollar will go to 100% of the needs of rebuilding and restoring, no administration costs. We seldom ask for money, except when we need to fill requests for Bibles in bulk. This is one of those rare occasions.

1. Would you please pass this on and promote this campaign to those around you, including Pastors, neighbors, business colleagues etc. that would like to help in this relief effort?
2. Please make checks payable to **The Happy Church**, and send to:

Project 5 2
P.O. Box 964
West Chester, OH 45071
Memo: KY Flood Victims

OR

Donate through Paypal on the
Happy Church website
www.thehappychurch.org/donate

3. Please pray for these precious families who have lost everything, and please pray for this humble campaign. We will deliver the donations to them, (that come to us) personally, sometime in the next 4-5 weeks along with items that they need at that time. Thank you for your help. I can be reached at 513.325.7144 or jerry@pro52.org if you have any questions.

Blessings,

Jerry and Tracy Reiner





Jerry officiated his second wedding in June for dear friends, the new Mr. and Mrs. Jake Eisele!



A Great Team at Whole Foods, Hyde Park. Grateful for 3 store's donations!



Our Indianapolis street evangelists...



The Family surprised Jerry with a Red's game for Father's Day



Open Hands Ministry pick up, ministering and feeding in the Oxford/Hamilton regions of Ohio



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On behalf of myself Pastor Reginald Frey, my wife Minister Venita Frey and the Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church West in Dayton Ohio, we would like to wholeheartedly thank Pastor Jerry and Tracy Reiner and the Project 52 Ministry for being such a blessing to us and our community.

I have been the Pastor of Emmanuel for 13 years, The Lord has truly blessed us through out these blessed 13 years, we have grown spiritually as well as physically in numbers.

Our goal is to witness to the community and to draw others to the Lord.

Acts 1:8 tells us to be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Jesus tells us to go out and draw others to him, and with Project 5 2 being such a blessing to us by connecting us with Whole Foods Market, in which we receive and are blessed with groceries such as fruits, vegetables, milk and cereals, and much much more, we are able to do that. We are able to bless our community along with our other pantry ministry and we do thank the Lord for the connection and the blessing.

Also I would like to thank Pastor Jerry for blessing us with bibles (KJV and ESV). We have distributed these Bibles along with the groceries, in other words we have blessed them with the physical food, but also by distributing these Bibles, we are distributing the spiritual food as well.

To wrap this all up Pastor Jerry and Sister Tracy have made a major impact on our ministry by their support as well as their prayers.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 tells us

⁹ Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.

¹⁰ For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up.

¹¹ Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm alone?

¹² And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Yes two are better than one and so with these 2 ministries Emmanuel and Project 5 2 coming together as one in Christ theres no telling how many souls we can win to Christ.

Pastor Jerry and Sister Tracy I just want to encourage you all as well and to let you both know Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

THE BEST IS YET TO COME!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

WE LOVE YOU BOTH

GOD BLESS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



Every Knee Shall Bow

Every Knee Shall Bow

I heard it said recently that one day, every knee shall bow. Either our knees will bow in awe and worship or they will bow in fear and shame, but one day, every knee WILL BOW at the name and feet of Jesus Christ.

The original passage of this scripture is found in the book of Isaiah 45:23, which reads: "By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance." God was speaking through Isaiah to the exiles in Babylon, who found themselves there because of their unfaithfulness to God. Paul in his writings in the New Testament, quotes this passage 2 more times; once in Romans 14:11 referring to the freedom we have in Christ, especially over things like dietary habits and observance of religious days. He taught that Lord didn't give a specific command on those issues which aren't really essential to the faith, so we shouldn't judge one another. The other time Paul quotes that scripture is in Philippians 2:10-11 in which Paul is exhorting the Church to Christ-like humility, which in my opinion, is the essence of the Christian walk. I'm not talking about false humility, but rather acknowledging that we are completely dependent on God for life and salvation, having a very grateful heart, and then living out Philippians 2 in submission like we believe it IS the inspired Word of God.

Paul tells the people of the Philippian church to "do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility, count others more significant than yourselves. He tells them that the Church is to be of one mind, one love and one purpose. Jesus himself modeled this for all of us, in that although he was in very nature God, he emptied himself and became a servant to all. Everywhere he went for 3

years, his mind was focused on others and he poured out his love on others. Then after 3 years, he carried out his obedience to God his Father all the way to the point of his own excruciating death on a cross... for others.

In the current culture we are living in, where we are bombarded with messages of Me, Myself and I, and Bigger, Better, Newer, and my pleasure, my convenience, my rights, my ease, my image, my schedule, my comfort, I deserve it because I have worked hard for it, I need it, I'm owed it etc. --to live out Paul's words in Philippians 2 is extremely counter cultural. But let's face it, it also pushes painfully against our own sinful selfish, narcissistic flesh. It takes mindful effort and discipline to swim "upstream". Selfish ambition and conceit will not save us. It takes mindful effort, daily submission to God and daily time in the Scriptures, and yielding to the Holy Spirit, to remind ourselves which Kingdom we are citizens of; to remind ourselves that all the stuff we acquire and the things we do here on earth are temporal, and to remember that nothing will come with us to heaven except that which we have done for Jesus Christ and His Kingdom; It takes a daily walk in Christ and his Word to remember that we who are in Christ have been saved, but there is a whole world of lost and broken people around us who have not been; To be reminded WE are Christ's body-his hands and feet, his representatives and our behavior should look different and attractive (like Jesus) to the world.. Do you ever wonder how they see us Christians from the outside? Humility and love and being others minded are the essence of a Christian life lived out, and I confess, I fall short daily. Personally, I think many of us do, and therefore the world only sees a religious version of itself, (ie: a version full of anger, self righteousness and self absorption, but they go to church on Sundays)...and the fall out is, they don't see the true Jesus. Jesus himself said he was "gentle and lowly"... we maybe want to study that for a minute.

I'm reminded of the scripture in Hebrews 3, "So as the Holy spirit says: 'Today if

you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did in the rebellion, during the time of testing in the desert, where our fathers tested and tried me and for forty years saw what I did. That is why I was angry with that generation, and I said "Their hearts are always going astray, and they have not known my ways." So I declared on oath in my anger, "They shall never enter my rest".

And so, I'm examining my own heart and Christian walk lately. I acknowledge I will never be perfect on this side of heaven, but as far as my heart posture, where is my focus? What is my purpose for doing the things I'm doing? Where am I sacrificing? Where are my priorities? What is my prayer life like? Is God really #1 in my life? How much of my confession is lip service? How's my compassion, and who have I treated more significant than myself lately? Even despite all the "Me" messages out there, there's a world of hurting, fearful others who are looking for hope. They are looking for truth, sincerity and authenticity. They are looking for answers and looking for refuge from a world that is turned upside down. Jerry and I run into them daily. They need Jesus, and they need to experience the authentic sincere love of Jesus.

So I encourage us all to swim upstream Church, swim upstream until we feel the pain.... until the day when every knee shall bow, and we will behold His face in righteousness. It will be worth it, God promises.

"A real Christian is an odd number anyway. He feels supreme love for One whom he has never seen, talks familiarly every day to Someone he cannot see, expects to go to heaven on the virtue of Another, empties himself in order to be full, admits he is wrong so he can be declared right, goes down in order to get up, is strongest when he is weakest, richest when he is poorest and happiest when he feels worst. He dies so he can live, forsakes in order to have, gives away so he can keep, sees the invisible, hears the inaudible and knows that which passeth knowledge."

A.W. Tozer, The Root of the Righteous

My Friend Sam

When I arrived in Jackson, I wasn't sure what to expect. I'd heard stories of the devastation and seen haunting images on the news, but nothing prepared me for meeting real people, who had really lost everything. The Happy church folks have always been heroes to me and my family. The sacrifice this team has made to love on the families and children in Jackson is unprecedented in my world.

Walking into the gym there's a painting on the door around 5 feet, reminding people of the worst flood level in Jackson's history. It was chilling to see the new water mark twice that height. It's hard to know where to start when faced with this kind of tragedy. We began pulling carpet covered, mud-soaked dry wall boards, one at a time. Each one revealing waterfalls of muddy and wet insulation.

Throughout the course of the day, many came in with faces shocked at the wreckage. After taking a few photos, the majority would walk back out. About mid-day, a tall dark man guessed to be in his 60s wandered into the gym with no shirt, some cutoff jean shorts, and work boots. He asked me if I needed help. I tried to persuade him, not to worry about it, that hauling this stuff out would get him covered in mud. He replied "everybody needs help sometimes. I've never been worried about getting a little dirty". At that point I watched this man drag out gym mats, soggy doors, refrigerators and carry arms full of mud soaked debris at a constant pace.

Someone brought us a plate of food for lunch. Not wanting to stop progress, I was going to keep working. I looked over my shoulder and saw this man sitting on a bucket with mud soaked hands, trying not to fall on the sloppy floor out of exhaustion. Something told me I needed to stop and eat. I learned his name was Sam and I got excited. "That's my son's name, Sam!" I replied. "Where are you from?" He quietly pointed to the trailer park next door. At that point my heart sank and I asked the inevitable, "Did you lose a lot?" Sam replied, "I stood in the street and watched my trailer wash down the river that night, all I have is what you see".

My mind started going a hundred miles a minute. Sam was mud head to toe. He wouldn't get a shower that day. He had no where to sleep, and this was most likely his only meal for the day. "Sam, why are you here helping when you lost everything?" I asked, and Sam replied "I may not be a Christian, but my mom and dad taught me, there is always someone who needs help. You help them and you won't worry about yourself." I fought to hold back tears.

That day, God helped my new friend Sam and me to get the gym closer to remediation. I traveled home, Sam did not.

The next day, I got a text from Vanessa saying: "I saw Sam today. He slept on the road last night, and was walking this morning to help another friend with his trailer. I offered him food, water and shelter, and he told me 'give it to someone who

needs it.'"

I don't know if Sam is an angel or just operates like one. His selfless love and sacrifice haven't left my thoughts for days. Sam doesn't focus on his own problems even in the midst of a record setting flood and losing everything he owned, so why do I? I guess, when we can learn to love and care about, and help the people around us to that degree, taking the focus off of ourselves, our own problems do shrink in comparison.

It's in that selfless kind of love, I think, that we may just find the peace of mind and heart, we all work so hard for in our busy lives. Jesus showed us the way to selflessness, and that day, so did my new friend Sam.

Justin Newman



Team Clarksville !

John 17

"I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

"Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them." John 17: 20 – 26.

John 17:20 should be the guide for most ministries in the world. This one verse demonstrates how we should all be praying. We shouldn't be praying only for the ones that are listening to us, or engaged in what we are doing, but we should be praying for the ones that will come and hear what we are doing and one day will be right with the Lord. If we only pray for the ones we

currently know about, then we miss out on time with the Lord, seeking his heart as to the ones He is sending next. When we get to know our people, or our mission field, then our people get to know the Lord through us. They will hear us speaking words of encouragement and light, and at first they will assume we are some sort of great people, when in fact we are only speaking and doing the things the Lord has commissioned us to do. We should be continually praying for our people and mission field that we know about, but we should also be lifting up the ones that will come. We should also be praying for unity among the believers, John 17:20-26 covers a lot of ground theologically, and practically. The practical part explains how we should pray, pray for our future missions, and pray for the future opportunities to meet other players in the mission. Jesus explains the Godhead in verses 20-21, which gives a good example of the Trinity, but then in verses 22-23 Jesus talks about the unity of the brothers and sisters. For some strange reason a lot of ministries feel a competition on the mission field. Jesus says in these verses that He wants us to be one, much the same way Jesus, the Father, and the Holy Spirit are one. I believe when we are one unified force on the mission field we will be perfected just as Jesus says in verse 23. The perfected state of mission-hood here does not mean that each person serving is perfect, but that we are unified and our work is done to the glory of God, and this is perfect in His site.

Here in Clarksville, we have several ministries that all serve the same general function. Mana Cafe provides food, temporary shelter and clothing to our Homeless, YAIPAK goes out into the highways and byways looking for our Homeless to bless with clothing, shelter and LOVE, Urban Ministries provides housing, counseling food and protection from domestic violence, United Way connects us together with outside resources, R41 finds our Homeless where they are and provides Gospel centered teaching, rehabilitation, and housing. At any moment, R41 can contact any of these ministries and ask for prayer, or assistance and the leaders of these ministries will respond. God has put a special hedgerow around Clarksville that keeps us all moving forward in our mission, unified under the Triune God, and aimed at bringing Him glory by our willingness to be unified in Christ's love. Ministry is perfected when we are one with the Lord, and one with the other ministries serving the Lord!

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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!



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