

April 2022 Newsletter



Power of Christ, Rest Upon Me

There are many times I try to do things on my own. I'm a doer by nature. During these times I want things done a specific way on an exact timetable. As I grow older I'm finding it doesn't have to always be this way. Yes, there are times when the things I've mentioned can be important, but it's not always the right way to go about things in my walk with Christ. To be honest, it can become my weakness because I only rely on myself to get things done. I can deflect this on Christ in my relationship with Him.

"Jesus, this is my way of doing things and my timetable for which I need to get it done."

II Corinthians 12:9 says, "But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly in my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me." Yes, I need the "power of Christ" to "rest upon me." When I pray this prayer it's amazing what Christ reveals to me about myself. In my time of communion with Christ, He has revealed this very specific deficiency in my life. He reminds me there are times it's not about my way or my timetable.

So my prayer as Appalachia Reach Out begins its busy season with Work & Witness teams (Short-term mission teams), "Lord, may your power rest upon me as I help lead others through these experiences. May I not always have to have my hands on things, make sure things go my way and on my timetable. This is Your work, and I just need to remain faithful to Your call. I recognize it's Your work through me so may Your will be done. Your promises are 'YES' and 'AMEN'. I will live in this direction in the coming days, weeks and months. Amen!"

May His power rest upon me today!

In His Care,
Dwayne P. Mills,
Executive Director, ARO

ARO had an incredible month with many things happening in the life of ARO. From traveling to different speaking engagements, to hosting Work & Witness teams and even being featured on the local news channel. Please enjoy the pictures from this month!



ARO traveled to Muncie Southside Church of the Nazarene with Pastor Neal Peterson, the South Central Ohio District Church of the Nazarene NYI and Missions International Convention and also to South Charleston Church of the Nazarene in West Virginia! ARO is blessed to have many partners throughout our country!



ARO hosted Crossroads Church from Cincinnati, Ohio April 9th-15th and Napoleon Church of the Nazarene from Ohio, April 23rd-29th. Below are some pictures from their time here at ARO!



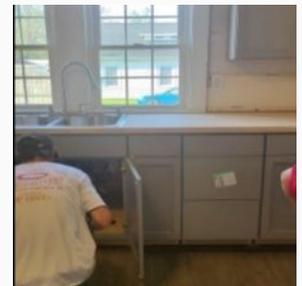




Western Kentucky Disaster Relief Update

On Tuesday, February 17, ARO's Executive Director was able to travel to the Louisville, Kentucky area and hand deliver a check for \$35,000 to the Kentucky District Church of the Nazarene Compassionate Ministry Director, Bob McCabe. This amazing gift was made possible by faithful ARO stakeholders who gave to this worthy cause. Here is an update of what these funds were used for over the past several months:

- In the 1st 2 photos, \$15,000 was put towards replacing single wide trailer for the Joe Perchelli family.
- In the next 3 photos \$15,000 was spent for supplies for the Bob Ford family. Flooring, kitchen cabinets, bathroom supplies, privacy fence, front porch, etc..
- In the next photo \$2,500 was put towards a relief food trailer.
- In the last photo you will see that \$2,500 was put towards purchasing a relief shower trailer.





Weirton Church of the Nazarene in West Virginia, with the Women's Ministry at their church, hosted a kitchen shower for ARO's West Virginia Work & Witness Site. We are so thankful for their outpouring of love and support for ARO West Virginia. We are also thankful for Rich and Thelma Mills and the work they do for ARO West Virginia!



If you are in the area where Dwayne will be speaking, or want to plan to hear about ARO and how God is moving in the mountains, we would love to see you on the road!

Dwayne's Upcoming Speaking Schedule:

Sunday, May 15 – New Life Church of the Nazarene – Oak Ridge, TN
Sunday, May 22 – Spencer Church of the Nazarene – Faith Promise – Spencer, IN
Saturday, June 4 – Team Day on the Pittsburgh District – Butler, PA
Sunday, June 5 – New Galilee Church of the Nazarene – Galilee, PA



Thank you for partnering with ARO to be *Christ's Love in Action*. Thank you for your faithful prayers, service, giving, and trust in ARO! Will you continue to pray that God would continue to guide our footsteps? Thank you in advance for your faithfulness!



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