

July 2022 Newsletter



Isaiah 43:2

"When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. When you go through rivers of difficulty, you will not drown. When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up; the flames will not consume you."

As many people have been effected by the horrific flooding in Kentucky, and if you haven't been effected by it, you have heard of the flooding. I thought this verse was very fitting and brings much comfort in a time like this. I think what is difficult about going through tough times, is doing it alone. And the promise of this verse is that "HE WILL BE WITH YOU". What a promise? To know that when you go through the most difficult times, that you are not alone and won't be overcome or consumed! I'm thankful that in these times we have His promises to lean on that He will be with us and we will not be overcome! Will you continue to pray with me that those that are going through unimaginable trials right now will know that they are not alone, and that God will be near to them in these difficult times?

In His Care,

Dwayne P. Mills,

Executive Director, ARO

Donate to the Eastern Kentucky Flood Relief

MOST NEEDED ITEM:
WATER!

Deadly and catastrophic floods have ravaged Eastern Kentucky. EVERY PENNY donated will go directly to help with the Eastern Kentucky Flood Relief. You can donate through the following ways listed below!



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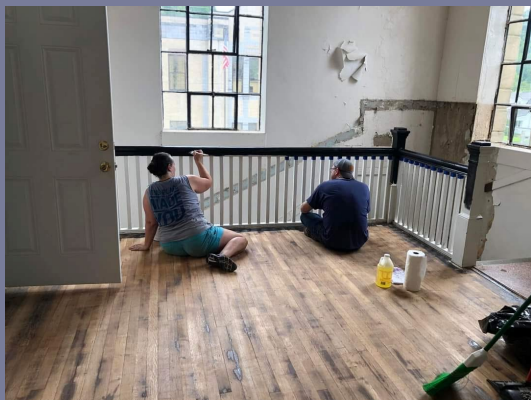
As many have heard of the recent catastrophic flooding in Eastern Kentucky, we ask that you remember to pray for the people that live in these small towns and many other surrounding communities. Many people lost everything, some even lost loved ones. Please consider praying and partnering with us financially to help with flood relief. We guarantee that every dollar sent will be used for those effected by the floods in Eastern Kentucky.

The month of July continued to be a blessed month in the life of ARO as we welcomed many new people and some returning teams to both our Kentucky and West Virginia sites! We are always amazed at how God orchestrates these teams to come and work together to accomplish so much in a short amount of time! We are very grateful for our partners all over the country that continue to link arms with us to be Christ's Love in Action!

At our Kentucky site we hosted Encuentro Missions! They served with us last summer in Kentucky as well, and we were so happy to welcome them back again. These teenagers and their sponsors were able to help host a Vacation Bible School at Warfield Park, helped in our elementary schools, worked on the Historic Martin County Courthouse, completed projects on the Kingfisher Trail and Heritage Village, completed some projects at ARO, and also worked on a local Warfield home.

One of our partners, Crossroads Church, has continually come back to Kentucky to serve alongside us and love the people of Martin County. They worked throughout the county and were able to serve at the Historic Martin County Court House, school resource programs and distribute Toys for Tots, they served at Warfield Elementary, built a wheelchair ramp for a widow who was needed better access in and out of her home. They completed demolition on a home, some ARO landscaping, and also helped in the ARO Food Pantry and Thrift Store. And also served in our local Celebrate Recovery!

At our West Virginia site we hosted Encuentro Missions for the first time. Encuentro Missions empowers and equips students, their families, and their sponsors to bring the life-changing message of Jesus to those at home and abroad. Encuentro Missions spends two weeks out of the summer investing mission work in different communities. We were blessed to have them serve at our West Virginia site this summer. During their time here they were able to complete putting new siding on a home, and were able to build a ramp, and a bridge! We are so thankful for their time and investment in West Virginia. We are also thankful for the time and leadership of Rich and Thelma Mills!











Our ARO Food Pantry has been busy continuing to help families in our community. During the summer months, our numbers for families served have continually increased. We are blessed that we are able to serve the amount of families we have been able to help. In the month of May we served 71 families, June we served 82 families, and for the month of July we served 91 families. We want to be able to continue to serve as many families grace out doorsteps, but because of this increase, we are asking for donations to our Food Pantry. If you would like to donate the following items, it would be greatly appreciated:

- Family sized cereal
- Orange/Apple Juice
- Cartons of shelf stable milk
- Canned soup
- Chef Boyardee in cans

All items need to be within their expiration date

Also if you want to donate financially to ARO's Food Pantry, please just indicate "Food Pantry" in the memo line.

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:

Gulf Coast District Team Day in Alabama – Saturday, August 13

River Region (AL) Church of the Nazarene – Sunday, August 14

Hillard (OH) Church of the Nazarene – Sunday, August 21



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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