

Jubilee Project, Inc.

A Mission Field Close To Home

Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Holston Conference Advance #3500-301-56 * National Advance #781350



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In Acts 1:8 Jesus tells his disciples that after they receive the power of the Holy Spirit they will “...*be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.*”

I feel like we’re about to be flooded with people living out that witness through the ministry here at Jubilee. Mission team season is about to be in full swing and teams are coming from “distant lands” like Florida, New Orleans, Iowa and near Washington D.C.

They’re all coming to share their witness of God’s love and mercy with the people we serve in Hancock County. No wonder it’s my favorite time of

Words from the Director: Linda Stransky

the year for ministry! I think about all of the plans God has for pairing the right team with the right home owner; filling a loneliness, sharing a story, helping someone through a problem. I can’t wait to watch the Master’s hand at work. Like last year when God brought the right men to a site with young fatherless boys who took them under their wing and forged a relationship that still goes on today.

But it’s not just the volunteers that come to work here that make me think of this scripture, it’s also all supporters from afar. The other day I was having a conversation with one of the women from a church that supports us from a distance and it just struck me to thank her for letting us be their “Judea”, a place beyond their local community. The funds they send empower us to do the “hands on”; without it we wouldn’t be able to function.

Serving here in Sneedville has been a very

eye-opening experience for me. I’ve worked in areas of poverty before, but never in such isolation where there are no local resources to draw upon for monetary or donation support. We rely on God’s people “over the mountain”, as we say, for virtually all of our support. Without you who care about a community of people far removed from your doorstep, our ministry wouldn’t exist... and we are so grateful for you!

This is a challenging year for us financially as staff has been added and program expanded. I ask you to pray for our ministry and remember us as part of your “Judea”.

In Christ

Linda



Heidi R. Taylor: Jubilee Project Office Manager



For more information on this vital ministry please contact the Jubilee Project by calling [423-733-4195](tel:423-733-4195).

How can you help with day to day needs at the center?

We are in need of your assistance to achieve our goals at Jubilee Project. Our biggest need is for giving to our general mission expenses. You can give to National Advance #781350 or Holston churches can give to Conference Advance #3500-301-56. Material donations are accepted as well. Please contact Jubilee Project at 423-733-4195 to ask for a current needs list. Prayer is always needed.

Basic office needs:

- Rolls of forever stamps
- Blank DVD's
- Blank CD's
- Rolls of Scotch tape
- **NEW Bagless Vacuum Cleaner**
- **55 gallon trash can liners**

Personal care and household needs:

- Women's & men's deodorant
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Laundry soap
- Dryer sheets
- Bars of bath soap

Work team needs:

- 2 large first aid kits
- Contractor trash bags
- Ladders
- 2 sets portable saw horses
- Table for table saw

Kitchen at Center for Women and Youth Ministries :

- Paring knives (we enough for 10 people for a cooking class)
- 2 Hand can openers (Heavy-)
- SHARP cutting knives
- Aluminum pans 8X8
- 10 heavy duty table clothe
- Heavy duty paper plates
- Electric roasting cooker LARGE

We are wanting to have the disposable pans so we can show the youth how to make a casserole they can take home and bake for their family.

"Honey Do"-Gooders Needed

We are in real need of volunteers to do "Honey Do" tasks around the Jubilee Center building ranging from changing a door knob to painting needs to fixing a wet spot in the bathroom ceiling. If you would like to come for a day (or more) to help us out, let us know and we'll be prepared!



Our youth ready to go in to the "Newsboys" concert everyone had a great time.

Food calendar

- January- Canned soups
- February- Rice and dry beans
- March- Fruit
- April- Cereals
- May- Canned ham/tuna/chicken
- June- Breakfast bars/canned milk
- July- Fruit
- August- Canned green vegetables
- September-Cereals
- October-Fruit/canned milk
- November- Canned soups
- December- Rice and dry beans

Personal care calendar

- January- Disposable razors
- February- Deodorant
- March- Travel size shampoo
- April- Bars of bath soap
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Peace and Blessings

Heidi Taylor

An exciting summer lineup:

Summer Feeding Program:

We are once again hosting the summer feeding program for children 18 and under for Second Harvest Food Bank. We will offer breakfast and lunch at 5 sites around Sneedville and 1 at a rural site.

Camp in the Community:

We're excited to be part of a new program where a full staff of camp counselors comes into a community for a week and runs a camp with the format and activities similar to an away camp experience. We even have a team of high school volunteers coming from Morgan-Scott Parish to serve as junior counselors, making this their mission trip for the summer.

Summer youth program:

For 6 weeks this summer, a Children in Poverty grant is allowing us to offer programming for community youth. Two women from Sneedville will be organizing the program which will meet from 3-6pm Tuesdays and Fridays.

Appalachian Miles for Smiles:

June 22-23 we are hosting the mobile dental bus from Kingsport. They will be able to serve 100 patients with dental care and chest x-

rays. The need is so great here that we were able to fill all of the slots within 3 days and now there's a standby list.

Women's Ministry

It's been a good spring for the women in this ministry. We've been using Matthew West's "Into the Light" stories for devotions and had some deep, heartfelt discussions. It is so good just to "be women together".

In April we took a field trip as guests of the Fairview UMW to their annual salad luncheon. The program was a delightful look at hats and who influenced the styles over the last couple of centuries. Everyone had a wonderful time!

Betty Purkey and friends JoAnn and Marty from Appalachian Sustainable Development came to Sneedville to help our ladies replant their garden boxes. They brought plants and fertilizer and a lot of love. Thank you for making a special trip!



Jubilee women's group enjoyed a great craft to share with their families.



Jubilee women's ministry enjoys a day with Fairview United Methodist Women.



Nancy gets new plants from Appalachian Sustainable Development.



Youth "End of year party".



Youth fun at Elrod Falls.

Monte Emerson: Outreach Coordinator

Hey Y'all! Monte here! It has been a blast working at Jubilee with the Youth over my short time here. We were able to help with the Beans and Bluegrass event at the High School by manning the desert and drink stations.

We also were selected as one of the groups to help Speedway Children Charities at Bristol Motor Speedway during the NASCAR Food City 500 race which included free seats for the race.

We had a great response from the youth and left Jubilee at 7 AM in pouring rain. We got to Kingsport before we got notified that the race was probably going to be postponed and returned to Sneedville.

Although this was a wash-out (literally), we do get to try again at the fall race in August. We also attended the News-Boys, Christian rock group, concert at Freedom Hall in Johnson City.

The end of school signals that we will be having our "End of Year" bash on the 19th of May from 2-7 at a "Destination Unknown"... cookout, games, water may be involved (if weather allows)... This blowout not only signals the end of school, but a transition into summer. This transition will see me move more

into the mission work teams coming in for the summer and a new summer youth program that will be headed by Ms. Emily Redding and Mrs. Angie Poston.

Stay cool and hydrated, and remember the Lord is our protector and strength, through Him all things are possible! Look for our next issue to see what the Destination Unknown had instore for the youth. To the youth, I cannot wait to come back to you in the fall, starting with the Bass-Pro Shop 500 Race in August!

And speaking of the summer transition, we will be off to the races with our mission teams. Already, we have already had teams from VCU, 1st Broad St/Mt. Carmel/Pactolas United Methodist, and Newport United Methodist. These teams have been great and truly showed God's love and compassion with the beneficiaries of their tremendous work.

I personally want to thank each of the members that donated their time and money to help those less blessed. We are working on quite a few projects for the remaining teams we have coming in between now and the middle of August. We have team repre-



sentatives coming to view sites, and teams from Beech Grove and Morristown showing up in the next two weeks.

June really heats up with teams coming from Florida, Iowa, and Louisiana over the next two months. Of course, we have more applicants than teams so we are trying to address the most dangerous safety or health needs first. But we do have interest shown by other teams looking to possibly come this summer so we hope to fill the calendar up.

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