

# The Lighthouse

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The challenges this year have been many things to keep up and running;

the heat has been a challenge to our refrigeration equipment and other operations. There are many practical things that must keep working daily for us to stay in operation. We start early and work late. We anticipate that many unexpected things will take place each day. That is simply the environment of our mission field. We thank the Lord for volunteers and staff that can work in such circumstances. We thank the Lord for those to whom He gives a servant's heart to serve under all conditions.

Having said that, we look forward to serving Him because we know He will provide all that is needed until He comes again. One hundred and ten years so far! This newsletter largely features volunteers with a Servant's Heart that the Lord touches to come along side of us and plow without looking back. A faithful servant must have a love for Christ and the Heavenly Father. **John 12:26 *If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.*** God calls us to give of all of our gifts and talents to serve Him by serving others. **1 Peter 4:10 *As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.*** Jesus said that a faithful servant doesn't put his needs above others. He set the example. **Matthew 20:28 *Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.*** The Scriptures are filled with examples of how our life for Christ should represent Him through service to Him. John 3:16 says it all!

God designed the Gospel Mission to work giving opportunities to Christians to serve Him. The Lord knows we could not do all we do without many people assisting every day. Many are behind the scenes but the Lord certainly knows those who are His. It is with these wonderful servants that we are able to bring the Gospel to those in need of salvation. Their work has eternal consequences. Only God the Master Planner can bring us all together for His glory!

Thanks so very much for being part of our prayer and financial support. The Lord brings it all together. By God's grace we will work until He comes again.

By His grace in His service,



Dr. Kenneth P. Clarkston  
 Chaplain, Director



# Volunteers Make the **BIG** Difference

We are privileged to have many groups that want to serve the Lord at the Gospel Mission and Camp Jabez. It is such a variety of talent and energy that the Lord has given to His servants. Following are a few notations of their work.

**We are so blessed that the Lord providentially works to bring it all together.**



A **youthful missions group from Kansas** spent the day with us just doing everything that we could not get done ourselves.



Another such **group came from Illinois, north of Chicago**. They were able to complete many additional landscaping projects and process items in our warehouse...very big help.

We love these young people and the traveling parents who pick up and go to serve the Lord through **Leadertreks ministry**.

## Our Technical Department

Nowadays it takes a little technology to keep all of our tasks headed in the right direction. We are so very thankful to have a group of IT volunteers who meet every week to keep us on technological focus. They work to keep us connected in a fast paced world. We are very urgent with the Gospel; there is no time to waste.



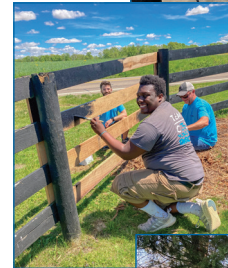
These wonderful ladies are like the many who hold down the daily task of working in the **Gospel Mission's food service department**. Seven days a week this goes on. **Thanks ladies!**



Shown here are students from **East Dayton Christian School**. We appreciate the high school energy!



Some of our IT Dept: Tim, Grant, Gerry & Caleb



A local company steps in to assist at Camp Jabez for a full day. We are blessed when the employees of **CESO** come to work.



Wow! We just couldn't do it without all of our brothers and sisters coming together to make it happen! Shown here is group of able workers from **Mamre Baptist Church, Kittshill, Ohio**.



## Visiting Missions Group from New Jersey



*I thank my God in all my remembrance of you* Philippians 1:3

The Gospel Mission certainly is thanking God this week for the **Calvary Baptist Church (Little Egg Harbor, New Jersey) Youth Group**, who served all week at the Mission. The team, which has been coming to serve at the Mission since 1999 worked hard all week. Mornings were devoted to landscaping assignments, cleaning our chapel and dining room, and washing and packaging over 13,000 pounds of 2-liter bottles of soda pop that we received as a donation. Youth team members played music before, during and after our daily chapel services, in addition to giving individual testimonies and sharing Gospel messages with our guests (over 75 daily). They also helped prepare, serve, and clean up after our daily meal services. For the past three nights, the team offered a Vacation Bible School, ministering to active youngsters who live in our neighborhood and/or whose parents were attending our chapel services. We praise God for this team of adults and students who served so faithfully this week. We pray for the Gospel seeds that were planted and watered this week, trusting the Lord for a bountiful harvest. **Jesus Saves!!"**

Written by Staff Rich Anglin



## 110th Birthday Celebration

Another wonderful celebration to the glory of God! We had right at 300 in attendance and it really was a time of renewing many friendships from the past and hearing how long they had been involved with the mission. Our grilled-out food was extraordinary...boneless chicken breast, thick hamburgers and brats. Add the variety of salads and desserts and cool drinks and we had a great time.



We provided gifts for everyone, fresh popcorn and of course Blue Grass music live from **Blue Note**.



How many souls in the 110 years has the mission been influential in directing them to Christ? We trust that it has been thousands. Perhaps thousands that others had given up on or thought they did not look like very good candidates for Heaven.

*But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.* Romans 5:20

There is a song that says, Does the place you're called to labor seem too small and little known? **Little is much when God is in it.**

**By the Lord's will, our desire is to continue day in and day out with the message of the Gospel until He comes again!**

*Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.* Revelation 22:20

## Mission Grad



It is with much joy to say that Timmy graduated from Belmont High School this year. Timmy has been coming to the mission since he was a toddler coming with his grandmother. He is a joy to be with and very optimistic about his future. He is on the mission basketball team and he hopes to continue in a college education of nursing and eventually ophthalmology.

**May the Lord greatly bless, lead and guide him all the days of his life.**





## Summer at Camp Jabez

This is a most blessed time of year to bring Camp Jabez up to speed with all of its wonderful amenities for the youth. In one week we go from zip line days to horses days to fishing to archery to Jabez Forest exploration to boating to arts and crafts to Pilgrims Progress to water slide to creek walk to rope challenge course to water games and of course to Bible Studies!



Always a quality activity at the camp done to the glory of God our wonderful supplier of the good things here.

*Let all your things be done with love.* I Corinthians 16:14

If you live in the area, Camp Jabez is the place for youth to be for a week during the summer and maybe consider equine training the rest of the year.



## Annual Camp Jabez Open House

Saturday September 17th \* 1 PM until 6 PM

The zip line will be operating...everyone's favorite, visit our wonderful equine facilities and watch fabulous demonstrations...walk through the Jabez Forest to see the many adventures that our campers have. You will see why Camp Jabez never gets rained out. We have a full gymnasium with plenty of space and a huge riding arena. You will enjoy our Blue Grass band near the cook out, picnic shelter and bon fire.

Visit us and enjoy the beauty of the Lord in this wonderful place. We daily pray that Christ will be seen in all we do. Anything that is accomplished is of Him and nothing of ourselves.

*For of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things:  
 to whom be glory for ever. Amen. Romans 11:36*

## Early Registration

Registration for Camp 2023 starts on September 17th, the day of Camp Open House. You may register with 50% deposit and have up to 14 days before your camp to pay balance. If you can plan that far ahead (Lord willing), now is the time to do it. Many of you know camp filled up very early this year through pre-registrations. By the way, Camp Jabez makes a very special Christmas gift!

We hope to see many of you at the Camp Jabez Open House!



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