



## SUMMER NEWSLETTER

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# MISSION OF HOPE

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*Greetings Dear Friends:*

*We know the lazy days of summer are almost gone when we see students of all ages climbing aboard big yellow school buses and heading off to a new school year! They are excited to see friends and to learn who they will have as teachers for each of their classes.*

*We have been busy for the past few months with our local summer projects, construction projects and our many mission activities and programs for our Appalachian neighbors. It is our HOPE that your family's summer has been safe and filled with many blessed activities. We are now in the process of preparing for upcoming Fall and Winter activities at MOH.*

*Please know that I am sincerely and humbly thankful for your friendship, support, prayers, donations and volunteer spirit. YOU are the wheels which keep MOH rolling forward.*

*May God's blessings and protection be with you and may He be your greatest HOPE!*

*Emmette Thompson, Executive Director*  
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## MOH ANNUAL SCHOLARS' BANQUET

The Mission of Hope held its 6<sup>th</sup> annual Scholars' Dinner in honor of 13 new scholarship winners on July 18 at the Cumberland Inn in Williamsburg, KY. Family members and friends of the honorees, along with Mission of Hope key leaders, Board members, Scholarship Committee members and Mentors were present for this special event. A special thank you goes to Misty Mayes, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, and Cindy Lloyd, committee member, for an inspiring, challenging and most informative banquet program. Misty challenged the scholars to unlock their potential by developing a growth mindset. This mindset tends to lead to a desire to learn by embracing challenges, persisting in the face of setbacks, seeing effort as the path to mastery, learning from criticism and finding lessons and inspiration in the success of others.

Each scholarship recipient was given a new laptop computer, printer, and carrying case. These welcomed gifts

brought cheers, tears and a heartfelt thank you from each scholar. When the school year begins this fall, a total of 50 students will be attending the college of their choice on a Mission of Hope scholarship. A total of 11 scholars have graduated with a 2-year or a 4-year college degree. How proud we are of all of our MOH scholars and their accomplishments.



Mission of Hope Scholars



Emmette Thompson presents the 2014 Scholarship recipients with MOH caps and surprises them with new laptop computers and printers

### 2014 MOH Key Dates, Volunteer Opportunities and Ongoing Needs

**September ? – Repair Fair Event – Williamsburg, KY**  
**September 25-26 –**

**Ministry Center Distribution/Outreach in Hazard, KY**

**October 23-24 -**

**Ministry Center - Distribution/Outreach in Williamsburg, KY**

**November 6 – Annual MOH Celebration and Fund Raiser**

**November 1-2 -**

**Remote Area Medical Clinic – Newport, TN**

**November ? –**

**Knoxville Zoo Food Drive**

**November 21 –Dec. 8**

**19<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Blue Barrel Collection Drives in Knoxville and Lexington**

**November 21 – 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Christmas Collection at Pinnacle-Turkey Creek**

**Dec. 4 – LMU**

**Christmas Concert & Tree Lighting for MOH**

**For Details Call: 865-584-7571 or Toll Free 877-627-1909**

**For more info:**

**[www.missionofhope.org](http://www.missionofhope.org)**

## 11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHICK-FIL-A AND MOH GOLF CLASSIC



**Congressman Duncan joins MOH Volunteers to welcome the golf teams**

On Friday, August 8, members of the MOH Golf Committee, MOH supporters, Volunteer Heroes, and the Golf Course Staff, arrived before dawn at Willow Creek Golf Club in Knoxville to see that everything was ready for the big day ahead. Weeks of planning and the registration of teams to play assured all this would be an exciting and amazing day. Chick-fil-A employees were present and prepared hundreds of meals to feed breakfast, lunch, and dinner to all those who participated in this annual Golf Classic.

Our thanks go to this team for taking care of our food needs in an incredible way. The weather cooperated to some degree for both the morning and afternoon rounds. The staff at Willow Creek was wonderful to work with and could not have done more to make this a great event despite the rain.

A total of 250 golfers registered and 231 braved less than desirable weather conditions to participate in this event. All of our Major Sponsor levels were filled and the donated Goody Bags contained items that delighted the participating golfers.



The fellowship we shared for the entire day was one of joy and will be remembered by all who were present. The proceeds raised from this event will bring smiles at Back to School to more children than ever before. For this we are most grateful!

A very special thank you to our MOH Golf Classic Committee: Ralph Perrigo, Chair, Melissa McCay, Chick-fil-A Liaison, Brenda Lawson, Jim Montgomery, Don Tarvin, Ron Tilley, Bud Brickeen, Ray Fisher, Wayne Walls, and Shirley Plant-MOH Office; also to Diane Webster, Lesa Medley & Robbie Johnson from the MOH Office for their time, hard work, commitment, dedication, and love for this spectacular Event.

A sincere big "Thank You" goes to each of our sponsors including Presenting Sponsor: Chick-fil-A; Major Sponsors: Rather & Kittrell; Management Solutions, LLC; Duncan Automotive & Jerry Duncan Ford Lincoln; Lenoir City Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram; Rothchild Event Rentals; Wintellect; Coleman's Printing and Awards LLC; Fisher Tire; and Lincoln Memorial University.

Our sincere thanks to Media Sponsors: WBIR-TV 10; The Knoxville News Sentinel; WRJZ Joy 620 Radio; Cumulus Radio stations WIVK FM 107.7, Sports Animal FM 99.1, and News Talk 98.7.

Winners of both the morning and afternoon rounds are listed in the next column.



**Golfers enjoying the game "beFORE" threatening rain moves in.**

### **AM Round**

Closest To The Pin #2 – Dobber Whaley  
Closest To The Pin #6 – Bret Myers  
Closest To The Pin #11 – Pat Barker  
Closest To The Pin #14 – Gary Knoche  
Longest Drive #3 – Dobber Whaley

### **1<sup>st</sup> Place Team with Score of 56**

Buddy Bradley, Pat Barker,  
Bud Sutton, Dobber Whaley

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team with Score of 59**

Ron Tilley, Jimmy Hyams,  
Sam Bounds, Trey Dickson

### **Sportsmanship Award Team**

Brian McKinley, Blake McKinley,  
Mike Asbury, Travis Vineyard

### **PM Round Called after 14 holes due to Stormy Weather**

Closest To The Pin #2 – Larry Palmer  
Closest To The Pin #6 – Jim Stinnett  
Closest To The Pin #11 – Will Kegley  
Closest To The Pin #14 – Craig Mayfield  
Longest Drive #3 – Alex Quinn

### **1<sup>st</sup> Place Team – Won by random scorecard**

drawing  
Steve Phillips, Suzanne Fields,  
Joel Sanner, Ted Bloomfield

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team – (Won by random scorecard**

drawing)  
Colin Moskal, John Williams,  
John Fugate, Jeff Ellis

### **Sportsmanship Award Team**

None Awarded – All teams deserve this award for their super attitudes and efforts all day long!!!



**God's Ending to a Blessed Day!**



## 2014 BACK-TO-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Back To- School deliveries made by our MOH Volunteer teams to the 27 schools we serve in TN and KY create exciting times at the Mission of Hope! Just imagine how blessed over 11,500 students must feel when they walk into their school gym and see all of those brand new backpacks, school supplies and hygiene items. They must feel that Christmas has arrived early this year! They are aware that their parents cannot afford to purchase all of the items they will need for this year. How grateful we are at the Mission of Hope that our supporters, donors and volunteers make it possible to help these students when their parents do not have the means to do so.

Perhaps the Greatest Gift we can give to each of them is our love and compassion as they begin a new school year. By our coming, we affirmed to them that God made each one of them truly special and that Jesus will always be their Greatest Source of Hope.

We trust that you will pray daily for the safety of all educators and students across our nation this year. As they face the challenges of their daily activities, may they feel the love and support of their MOH friends and may they have a positive attitude as they give their very best to having a successful school year.



Students at Burchfield Elementary select just the right backpack and their grade-level school supplies.



**RAMPS FOR THE HOPE**



Kathy West of ALQI (Appalachian Life Quality Initiative) is most grateful to Robbie Johnson and his team of Volunteers for the ramp they built for a family in Scott County. Violet cannot walk without someone being close by to assist her. She has fallen several times and is now recovering from a broken wrist due to a fall. The ramp makes it much easier for Violet to get from her home to the car when she needs to go for doctors' visits. She is also getting a wheelchair which will help with her mobility.

The family cannot thank Robbie and his team of Volunteers who blessed them with this much needed ramp.

## REMOTE AREA MEDICAL

We have been blessed to work with our dear friends at Remote Area Medical (RAM) for several years. We try to go with them when they do Health Clinics in the rural Appalachian Communities that we serve. We contribute hygiene items (toothbrushes, toothpastes, bars of soap, shampoos) and pack hygiene bags to distribute to the patients as they leave a healthcare event. We also try to help with donations to cover some of their event expenses and equipment costs.

At a recent RAM Clinic in Oneida, TN, around 700 patients were treated. Many of them had very serious and urgent healthcare needs. For most of those who came seeking medical help just getting there was a major challenge. Many were in serious pain but made the journey just hoping they would receive treatment and care. Please remember this incredible organization and its healthcare volunteers and staff members. You can also find out more information about RAM at their web-site: [www.ramusa.org](http://www.ramusa.org).

## FALL OUTREACH AND DISTRIBUTION EVENTS

Two Outreach and Distribution Events are on our calendar for this fall. These events give us the opportunity to give out food, clothing, furniture, hygiene and household items, etc. to individuals and families that are in need of our help. We also distribute Bibles and tracts and pray for those who truly need to know that God loves them and that Jesus is their Greatest Source of HOPE.

THE HAZARD, KY EVENT, in partnership with the Hazard/Perry County Salvation Army, will be at the National Guard Armory. We will go up on Thursday, September 25; leaving the MOH at 8 AM and set up that day. We will stay at a local hotel in Hazard. Emmette will treat our MOH Volunteer Team to dinner that evening. Our Outreach & Distribution Event will start at 8 AM on Friday, September 26. We will leave around noon on Friday to return to Knoxville.

THE WILLIAMSBURG, KY EVENT will be at the NEW Cedar Ridge Ministry Center. We will go up on Thursday, October 23; leaving the MOH at 9 AM and set up that day. We will stay at either a local hotel or their Ministry Center. The MOH Volunteer Team will be treated to dinner by Emmette that evening. Our Outreach & Distribution Event will start at 8 AM on Friday, and we will depart around 1 or 2 PM for our return trip home.

For more info or to sign up to go, you may call the MOH Office at: 865-584-7571. A good attitude, a sweet spirit and a loving heart are all you need to be a part of these events!

### Save the Date

## 2014 MISSION OF HOPE

### CELEBRATION AND FUND RAISER

#### ***"HOPE—The Greatest Gift"***

**DATE:** Thursday, November 6, 2014

**WHERE:** Rothchild's Conference Center  
8807 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37923

**TIME:** Doors Open at 5:00 p.m. for Registration and Shopping

**6:30 p.m. – Served Seated Dinner**

**Silent Auction; Themed Gift Baskets; Artwork; The Hope Boutique; Cash and Carry Gifts**

**Celebration Hostess:** Ms. Colleen Addair

**Special Entertainment By:** Ms. Janelle Arthur

**Special Guests:** Mr. Russell Biven  
Mr. Bill Williams  
The Faces of Hope

**COST:** \$40 per person

**Table Hosts May Purchase Table for 10 - \$360**  
**Payable in Advance by Cash, Check or Credit Card**  
**(VISA, MC or Discover)**

**Reservation and Payment Deadline – October 27, 2014**

**Limited to first 650 Paid Guests**  
**Banquet Sponsorships Available**

**Donation of Goods and/or Services Greatly Appreciated**

### NEEDS AT THE HOPE

We are continuing to receive many requests for the following items that are desperately needed at Schools and Ministry Centers we serve:

**Food** –canned goods, soups, canned meats and stews, peanut butter, pasta, crackers

**Hygiene** – bar soap, shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste

**Furniture & Appliances** – good used beds, dining suites, sofas & chairs, stoves & refrigerators

**Bibles, Tracts and Christian books**

**Pressure Treated Lumber** for our construction teams to build handicap ramps.

If you can help the MOH with any of these items, we will be grateful. Perhaps your church and/or business would like to help. Please call the MOH office for more details.

Mission of Hope is a fully licensed 501c3 nonprofit charity and your donations are tax deductible. We have all the proper licenses for local, state and federal requirements. If you would like more information, or have questions regarding our ministry, please contact the MOH office.

Thanks to our Editor Mary Sue Miller, Diane Webster, Shirley Plant, Coleman's Printing and Awards, and Direct Mail Services for their help in compiling, preparing, printing and mailing our Newsletters.

Thanks also go to Brian and Tammy McKinley who are doing a great job maintaining our Website. Please check out our updated Website at [www.missionofhope.org](http://www.missionofhope.org) to keep informed on MOH activities.

***"SHOP NOW AND EARLY FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM"***