



# Serving Rural Appalachia

# **MOH KEY CALENDAR DATES 2021**

(Please Note Calendar Updates & Changes Due To The

Coronavirus Crisis)

October 31 Construction Ministry & Handicap Ramp

**Builds End** 

November 4 Special Fall Celebration – POSTPONED

November 28 Keyboards at Christmas – CANCELLED

December 2 LMU Christmas Tree Lighting & Toy Drive for MOH

December 6 Musical Mondays Toy Collection for MOH –

Ritz Theater, Clinton

November 26th Annual Christmas Program & Cyber Barrel Drive

December In Knoxville and Lexington

(PROGRAM TO BE DETERMINED)

The Mission of Hope was immensely blessed to be able to do ministry in alternative ways all throughout 2021. Resource Donations and Financial Donations were incredible. We give God the praise, credit, and glory for providing and protecting us and our ministry.

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# Fall Newsletter, 2021

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#### Dear Friends,

It's Fall...Yall! It's a nip in the air, a brisk morning mist, a thick heavy fog, a fireplace burning, an aroma of smells, and spectacular colors. We hope you and your family are enjoying the special moments this wonderful season brings. Remember what a joyous blessing it is to have a job and to be able to go to work each day. If by chance you are out of work and looking for a job, as so many in our country are doing right now, please do not get discouraged --- just keep searching. May God bless and protect you with His provision and grace. Be grateful for each and every day that you live in this great country. Cherish the freedom that many in other countries can no longer enjoy.

#### Sincerely,

Emmette Thompson, MOH Executive Director



**MOH'S New Operations Assistant** 

# WELCOME BECKY MILLS!

We are excited and thrilled to introduce Becky Mills as a new member of our MOH Staff. She is a dedicated Christian lady with a wonderful and blessed countenance and sweet spirit. Emmette has worked with her for several years in her former position as staff member at WRJZ Radio. Her work experience will be a huge help to the MOH. Becky and her husband have two children. She began her work at MOH on Monday, August 2, and is excited to be a part of our ministry. A special thank you to Steve Jones and John Rymer who assisted Emmette as Search Committee members in recruiting Becky for this position.



**Congratulations to Mission of Hope 2021 Scholars** 

# **Cruisin For Kids Show**

We are immensely grateful for and appreciative of the Gambill family and friends for deeming us worthy to receive the proceeds from the 13th Annual Cruisin For Kids Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show held Saturday, August 14, at Joe Neubert Collision Center at 5086 Clinton Highway in Knoxville, TN. This event helps the MOH to provide for the needs of others. There were door prizes, music, a live auction, and so much more! We invited our Kentucky friends to come and enjoy the fun-filled activities with us.

# **SCHOLARSHIP DINNER**

On July 29, 2021, we welcomed 19 NEW Scholars to the Mission of Hope Family. What a blessing it was to be able to come together, share a meal, and get to know our new Scholars. We ended the evening by sending them off with new computers, printers, and backpacks. But above all and most important, we sent them off with a prayer that God would lead them through their educational experience and help them fulfill their goal of a bright future.

The Mission of Hope began its Scholarship Program to intentionally target students who desired to attend college, but who would not see their dreams come true without financial assistance. Thompson stated that this Scholarship ministry has become our strongest attempt to break the cycle of poverty in the areas we serve—"one student at a time." This marks the 13th year The MOH has provided Scholarships to deserving high school graduates. According to Thompson, over 90 percent of those we have assisted who have graduated from college are the first in their family to achieve this goal. That Is HOPE Fulfilled!

Scholarship Mentors are key to the success of our Scholarship recipients. You could possibly become a MOH Mentor if you are gifted with a Concern for Young people, a Compassion for others, the Ability to Listen, Good Communication Skills, or the Willingness to Invest a little of your time in the life of a college student. For more information, contact us at info@missionofhope.org.

# **OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

We had a fantastic response to our three Outreach/Giveaway Events this year. We served our friends in Jamestown, TN, on March 27. On Saturday-July 10, we took our ministry to White Oak School in Duff, TN. Our friends in Oneida, TN, welcomed us on September 25, in the parking lot at the Boys and Girls Club. Our sincere thanks to all our Volunteers who worked hard to make these Drive-Thru Events a huge success. As recipients drove thru, our MOH Volunteers loaded their vehicle with food, bags filled with hygiene items, first-aid kits, Bibles and Tracts, and various other Items. They received an offer of prayer and an encouraging word from one of our Volunteers and then they drove away. We were blessed by the smiles... the tears...and the spoken words of "thank you" from those with whom we shared The Hope. We served 500 families and assisted a little over 2,000 people in Oneida.

A Very Special Thank You To...

COMPASSION MINISTRIES and their wonderful director, Robin Rolland and Team

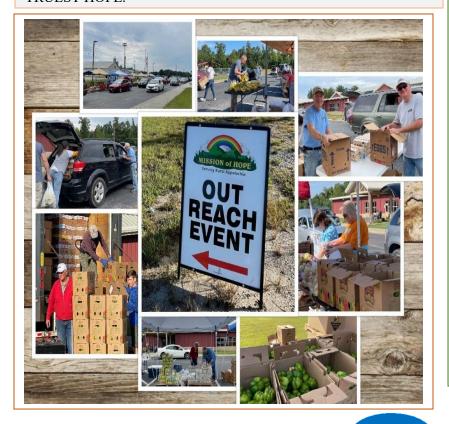
THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB in Oneida and Staff

APPALACHIAN LIFE MINISTRY team and their director, Kathy West

VARIOUS OTHER CHURCHES and teams who helped

ALL OF THE MISSION OF HOPE VOLUNTEERS who drove and worked together

On these three Saturdays, we got to be True Hope Full-Fillers. The days were long and hot, but the weather was perfect for these events and a blessing for all participants. These events were a humbling reminder of how grateful we are to be able to help extend THE TRUEST HOPE.



# **BACK-TO-SCHOOL MINISTRY**



Pack-The-Bus was a HUGE success! We collected enough Backpacks and School Supplies to fill two buses. MOH is sincerely thankful to all the following: media outlets that helped publicize this event, Office-Max for being an amazing host, Blaze Pizza and Sweet Frog for giving away treats, The Little Bus Company for providing the buses and delivering the donated supplies to MOH, all our MOH Volunteers, and everyone who gave their time and donations. These supplies make it possible for the students we serve in Rural Appalachia to start the school year prepared and ready for success.

Our commitment each school year is to help students begin their new school year with all the school supplies they will need to do their best. We believe that getting an education is imperative to breaking the cycle of poverty. The desire of all in The Mission of Hope family is to adapt and be flexible in all situations as we serve those who need our help regardless of the challenging circumstances we face.

Thanks to our dedicated MOH Volunteers who braved the heat and humidity of the warehouse with smiles on their faces and joy in their hearts as they sorted and packed the supplies for the 12,000 Students in the 30 Elementary Schools we serve in Rural Appalachia. We truly cherish the privilege that God has given us to be His Servants as we share His love with these precious children.



# Thank You to All of our Sponsors, Players, and Volunteers for Supporting the Golf Classic and the Back To School Program!

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Mission of Hope Golf Classic, held on Thursday, September 16, 2021, was a great success. We were blessed with beautiful weather, pleasant temperatures, 219 Players, many Sponsors, and Volunteers. Without their help, this event would not be possible!

## **Presenting Sponsor:**

Chick-fil-A Knoxville

#### **Golf Carts:**

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#### Skill Awards:

Willow Creek Golf Club

#### **Golf Course Host:**

Willow Creek Golf Club

#### Golf Balls:

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