

Go Team update:

Hello brothers and sisters in Christ. Praying all is well with you and your families. Praying your relationship with Christ is continuing to grow. We want to pass on some information about the happenings with Hitting the Streets and Laundry Love. Some of us have been serving at Laundry Love and our relationships are continuing to grow. Food is being provided regularly which opens up opportunities for conversations and prayer. We met a gentleman there a year or so ago and he has finally been able to get his own place. Praise God!!! Our team was able to pull together some household items as well as help furnish his apartment. He seems to be settling in well. May God receive all the glory.

God continues to bless all involved by serving there and believe that God is receiving all the glory. Conversations about God and prayer times seem to be increasing. We always pray before getting started and many of our brothers and sisters on the streets are joining us. Even ones that balked at prayer beforehand. It's truly amazing to watch Him work in the hearts of others!!!

Hitting the Streets has also been amazing!!! We continue to serve twice a month by taking out sandwiches, hot dogs or burritos along with snack sacks, water, socks and other supplies. We continue to build stronger relationships with people on the streets. There are a couple ladies who are desiring change and a deeper relationship with God. We were able to make a new door for one of them for their motorhome that was falling apart. She now feels safer and her items are more secure. There is a strong possibility for her to get into one of the local villages. She is desiring recovery but not sure how to go about it. As we continue to serve, God builds stronger relationships. Trust is growing stronger between us and we have hope that God will move mightily in her. God has moved some of them to be on the team alongside us. How amazing is that!!!

Here's one of the huge God moments; while serving at one of the tent sites, on March 29th, there started to be a lot of arguing among the people we serve and one of the ladies that serves alongside us wanted to get into the mix and help settle it down. We encouraged her not to and suggested she come back to the group. The Holy Spirit inspired us to read scripture and read some prayers and pray as a group. Almost instantaneously the whole area, (100+ tents and more people), calmed down. It was like God's arms were wrapping around everyone and His peace and love were present. It was totally amazing!!! Giving God all the Glory and a few of us recognized what had happened. You had to be there.

There are many more stories and we encourage you to ask around if you want to hear more. Or better yet talk to one of us and see how you can serve, but only if God is moving you.

We are very excited that on Sunday, May 9th, we will be visiting one of the villages that has been established to help people transition to a more permanent housing situation. God blesses us with connections at every encounter and now we have an opportunity to share a BBQ lunch provided by Hitting the Streets to those living in the very first village community that was founded. We will have BBQ hotdogs and hamburgers, watermelon, cookies, etc and all the trimmings. PLUS – we will have a few of our worship team members present to lead us in songs of praise. We are very excited about the very special opportunity to expand and serve in yet another way.

Our needs for this event will be fairly easy as we will plan to serve about 30-40 people. If you would like to serve, we are in need of the following for the BBQ:

- Water
- Cookies
- A few watermelons
- Hamburger patties
- Hot dogs
- Buns
- Condiments - box of ketchup, mustard, mayo and relish would be great as well
- Pre-package hot day drinks such as lemonade, punch, apple juice

Overall, pre-packaged is always best for serving.

Our needs for when we hit the streets are:

Socks – Mens and Womens

Water

Packages of juice such as Sunny D small juice bottles or Capri Sun

Fruit snacks

Rice krispie treats

Hand Sanitizer smaller bottles

Tarps

Sleeping Bags

Toothpaste

Small bottles of shampoo and Body Wash

On behalf of the Go Team – Hitting the Streets and Laundry Love, we thank you for blessing us by praying and serving with us.

If you would like to serve with us, we do have ongoing needs to help make sandwiches, cook hotdogs, prep and prepare lunch bags, etc. Please contact Jay Stahly @ 541-505-9870 and we would be happy to share more.

In His service,
Jay