



The Labor of Leisure

As summer comes to an end, I trust you were able to enjoy a little leisure time. Or did you? What goes into making leisure happen? Let's take a day at the beach. Everyone wants to spend time at the beach to relax, right? So, let's go.

We will pack up the car, drive a few hours to our temporary home where we will quickly run to the beach to relax after a long trip. Now pack up the wagon with bottles of water, a cooler of snacks, some beach chairs and towels and off we go. Everyone is happily walking at a fast trot till we hit the sand which slows us down a bit as we drag the wagon beachward with the force of a F-150.

We find the perfect spot, put down the towels set up the shade tent - don't forget to put sand in the corner pockets - set up the chairs, struggle to put the umbrella in the sand, only to have it go tumbling happily across the beach as you frantically run after it hoping it doesn't impel someone. Next, we lotion up the children and snap on floaties and finally get to sit and relax.

No, wait! Now someone has to go to the bathroom... mission accomplished...you can sit. Hungry? Did someone say they were hungry? Pull out the snacks, munch on sandy carrots and if the kids get the chips first you might as well forget about those because within minutes the contents of that bag could make a sandcastle. Finally sit back and enjoy the roar of the waves against the sand.

What? It's time to go back for dinner. Tear down and head back, only by now the kids are too tired to walk so they ride in the wagon, and you have to bear the burden of a backpack, along with chairs hanging from your shoulders, you have cleverly found a way to hook the cooler to the side of the wagon and off you go forging ahead across the blazing sand to end a blissful day of REST at the beach.

Sorry for the lengthy story, but the point is, no matter what we do, whether necessity or pleasure, **it all involves work.**

Vision Appalachia truly enjoys helping others, but it does involve a lot of work and workers. We are so blessed to have workers that come prepared to cut trees that are blocking the road, forge through mud and rain. They put to use their on-the-job engineering skills to come up with a "train" of trucks. **The Ford pulling the Chevy pulling the Dodge pulling the house.**

Please pray for our workers and for the mission of providing a better life both physically and spiritually to individuals in need.

Colossians 3:23

"Whatsoever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men"

Gifts For the Needy



Many people contributed to supplies for Clay, WV but a big shout out to the Hilltoppers of Northgate Church in Pittsburgh who gave above and beyond. The packing is tedious **work** and John is the best packer. Thanks

Tiny House Big Challenge



Tiny House #6 was a very difficult move. But to God's glory, we battled rain, mud, horrible roads and slipping trucks and men all over the place! The house is successfully in its place.

New Wheelchair Ramp

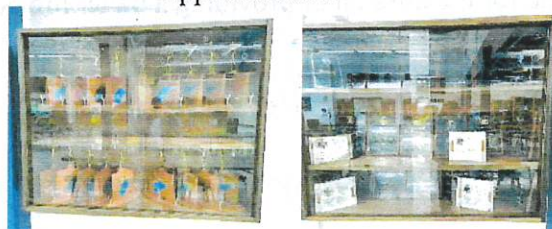
On August 30-31st, Jesse and Joe headed to WV to meet up with Terry and Brian on a mission to help meet a need for a double amputee to gain access to their home. They completed a new deck and wheelchair ramp and demonstrated God's love by "doing God's work".



God is blessing us with -
did not stop today, as we had
but with love, and the power
that made the building of the
ramp - something right in our
own hearts!
"Yes, yes, thank you, in that
Christian way, with love and
help in my heart."
My, God, thank you for your love
and

Trophy Cases

These trophy cases were built for Clay County High School during our Mission Week 2023 by a great group from **Life Spring Church in Spring Hill, KS**. Thank you for the great work. They are full and very much appreciated!!!



Looking Ahead

*Jess will be speaking at a Men's Retreat on September 15th and 16th. Pray for a beneficial time.



Mark Your Calendars

Vision Appalachia Christmas Dinner

Saturday, December 2, 2023

[2000 Coonskin Dr, Charleston, WV 25311](https://www.visionappalachia.org/2023/12/02/)

Music by the Putnam Family and Johnny Staats

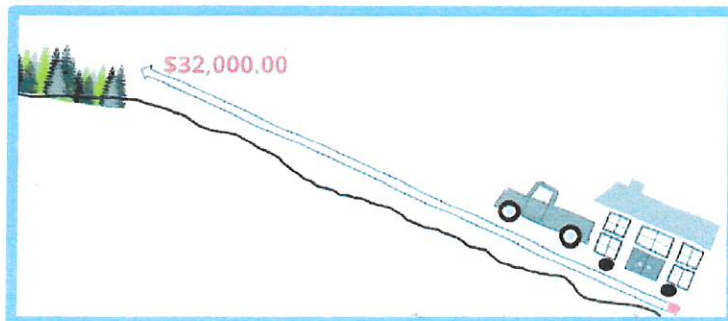


Mission Week Date

July 7-13th 2024

More information is forthcoming

Cost of a Tiny House



The cost of a tiny house build, move and hook up is approximately \$32,000.00 **Please consider a gift to cover the cost of Tiny House #7.** We've started building and it is currently at Clay County High School. [Your gift will be helping give someone in need a new home](#) and it also provides a great opportunity for the shop classes of CCHS to learn a very useful trade. Thanks in advance.



The Greatest Work

The greatest work ever done was and is the redemptive **work** of our Savior. He has completed the Work. It is ours, but to believe and receive. *John 1:12-13*

Thank you for your prayers and contributions. We so appreciate your partnership.

Love and blessings,
Jess and Debbie Boggs

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