

Be the Church

A bimonthly newsletter from Restoring HOPE that shows how we MULTIPLY and EQUIP others to restore hope in their communities and friendships.

A Bimonthly Newsletter

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Community Impact

Learn about how we equip people in our community to live a life of compassion.

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Enjoy some picture highlights from our previous Community Impact events.

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Upcoming events

January

The Snowball Express



Shoveling sidewalks and driveways for the elderly.

February



Partnering with Cornerstone Community Church that provides weekend food for kids in need.

March



We Care

Providing time and care bundles for the elderly.

Ambassador Corner

meet people that we support



Ben Kelley is the Director of Operations for Remember Nhu that rescues little girls from being sold into the sex industry. The girls are relocated to an orphanage where they receive a new home and an education. They are currently rescuing in 12 countries and run 72 children's homes.

www.remembernhu.org

Message from our Community Impact Director

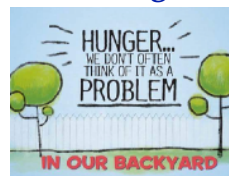


This is my favorite time to be involved with our community impact events. Helping others get a full Thanksgiving meal that they can share with their families is great. But seeing Santa give presents to kids that were not expecting to get presents is AMAZING! Thank you to all that donated, prayed and/or prepped with us. For those that helped Santa give presents...I told ya! :)

Please feel free to join us for any or all future events. Our next campaign cause is Snowball Express.

Jessica

Foodwagon



Fix it



Warm them up



Snowball Express



the Santa Cause



We Care



Other programs we partner with.

Food Backpacks



Cornerstone Community Church

Thanksgiving Meals



Celebrate Recovery Living Word COG

Easter Egg Drop



New Community Church

Diaper Drive



Pregnancy Care Center

Other organizations we promote.

Parish House



Living Waters Farm



Our next Impact Event

WINTER The Snowball Express



What: The Snowball Express

Who: Elderly people in our area

When: After a big snowfall

Where: Buckhannon, WV
Meadowland Trailer Park
& other areas there is a need

How can you partner with us?

1. Pray for the event
2. Prep for after event gathering
3. Help shovel snow
4. Make a tax-deductible donation (Help us keep the lights on)

If you are aware of a senior neighbor who could use help clearing the snow from their sidewalk and driveway, please let us know or pick up a shovel and show them that YOU care.

Thanksgiving & Christmas highlights



Left: Part of the crew that assembled 40 meal boxes that were delivered in our community during the Thanksgiving season. For the second time we partnered with Celebrate Recovery and others to bring all the fixins for a full Thanksgiving feast.



Right: Don Paco Mexican Restaurant joined us in honoring all of the Cafeteria workers and counselors at three of our elementary schools with a Christmas present gift card for each of them. These front line workers help us in our desire to care for our kids in the community. (They know who is in need.)

Below: Our Santa Cause event reached over 55 kids that met Santa when he came to their house, delivered presents and shared the real reason for the season. (We mean Jesus... Jesus is the real reason for the Christmas season.)







Pray for our team and those we support

Our team

Matt Bohman



Executive Director

Matt has been serving churches and helping people understand the Bible since 1992. He oversees our Day to Day operation and our **Multiplying** (coaching/proactive) efforts that include 1) **consulting** churches toward biblical mission 2) developing training material 3) training relationship/ministry skills and Bible/religion and 4) our Ambassadors of HOPE **resourcing** movement. He also oversees our **Showing** 2nd step **counseling** efforts.

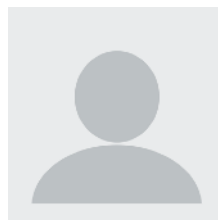
Jessica Bohman



Executive Assistant & Community impact Director

Jessica has professionally worked serving people with Autism since 2000 and has over five years experience as a service coordinator in C.A.. She oversees our **Community Impact** campaigns and oversees our 2nd step action efforts for Families Dealing with Special Needs/ Autism. As a survivor of childhood abuse, she oversees our 2nd step action **counseling** and encouragement for other Survivors of Abuse.

Unknown



Director of Advancement

This position oversees all of our fundraising needs and promotes Restoring HOPE's efforts and vision into reality.

This position does not require a physical presence in our office but does require a consistent online/phone presence with our Executive Director.

Unknowns



Interns

Summer and year positions available for those future ministry leaders desiring to learn the ins and outs of equipping God's people to restore hope to the hopeless.

Some areas you will explore:

- Mission development
- Your gifting/wiring
- Vision development
- Strategy development
- Mobilizing Volunteers
- Administration

What we do

Training/Mentoring

Helping people, churches & organizations see, learn, develop, and/or improve the skills needed to restore HOPE.

Encouraging People

Modeling 1st Step Action by building people up through phone calls, emails, extended time and benevolent care.

Counseling

Investing 2nd Step Action (long-term support) in proven areas of experience and referring (bridge) when not.

Community Impact

Events that help people see needs, show Acts of Kindness, and live a 1st Step Action lifestyle ... together.

Resourcing

Equipping Ambassadors of HOPE with encouragement, materials & finances to live a 2nd Step Action lifestyle.

Consulting

Helping people, churches & organizations follow Jesus example and strategy to restore HOPE.

Those we support

Our endorsed *Global Impact* equippers

Dave Garda



Dave is an experienced pastor & coach, with [Cadre](#), who has prayerfully come alongside 100's of churches in most every state, province and 23 plus countries since 1979.

Rennie Garda



Rennie serves as a mentor, coach, trainer and volunteer encouragement specialist with [Cadre Ministries](#).

Jack Bohman



Jack has been pastoring since 1975 and founded We HELP THEM which equips future and current church leaders while being a care giver to the care givers in crisis.

Our endorsed *Regional Impact* Ambassadors of HOPE

Doug Bennett



Doug founded [Magdalene Hope](#) which is an organization that helps prostitutes being trafficked and gives them a way out, if wanted, to escape their pimp, detox and safely restart their life elsewhere.

Annie Lobert



Annie founded [Hookers for Jesus](#) which is an organization that helps prostitutes in Las Vegas leave that lifestyle.

Doug Spears



Doug works as the Northern WV area rep with [Celebrate Recovery](#) which is an organization that helps those with emotional hang-ups, hurts or habits to overcome and recover from those addictions and behavior.

Ben Kelley



Ben works with [Remember Nhu](#) which is an organization that rescues little girls from sex trafficking and provides them, now orphans, a place to live and get an education. They are in 12 countries and have 55 children's homes.

Helping our Vets



This place has not yet been filled. We desire to fill it with someone that works with our military vets.

Our endorsed *Community Impact* Ambassadors of HOPE

Dan & Liz Baker



Dan & Liz have helped many people by opening up their home to people in need for long term stays, as well as meeting needs around them. Their lifestyle example was the catalyst for starting Restoring HOPE.

Kit & Joann Kindred



Kit & Joann have been caring for and training people all of their adult life. Now retired they have not stopped and continue to think out of the box ways to help people.

Josh & Liz Ratliff



Josh & Liz had been having an impact on their city for several years before getting involved with rescuing women being trafficked up and down the West coast.

Unknown



This place has not yet been filled. We desire to fill it with someone that has an impact on their neighborhood and city.

Matthew & Caroline Barnett



[Matthew](#) pastors at the Dream Center and is an ideal example for how the church should function every day. They rescue all sorts of people in hopeless situations and has radically transformed their L.A. neighborhood and city.

In Appreciation

We would not be able to encourage, equip and help all the people that we do without your financial support. Our team relies upon tax deductible donations to meet our basic family needs and provide quality services across the globe.

Our Visionary Budget Executive Team (150K)

- Director salary
- Assistant salary
- Advancement salary
- Intern salaries & expenses
- Taxes/Benefits
- Exec. Expenses
- Office Expenses
- Building & Utilities

Notice that the label still says VISIONARY Budget. We are no where near being able to fully support our Teams or do all of our desired programs.

Until we are functioning under our Vision Budget, we have arranged the budget into phases. As our finances grow we will shift to the next phase and fully support our Exec. Team, then our Ambassadors.

Our 2017 goal is to raise our first & second phase = 70K.

Here are the basic needs:

- Building expenses
- 1/4 staff salaries
- Exec. Director expenses
- Taxes & Expenses
- Community Impact Events

We want to thank those that have given financial support to Restoring HOPE in 2016:

- Jerry & Vicki Casto
- We Help THEM
- Chris & Veronica Knorr
- Steve & Holly Bohman
- Mt. Herman UMC
- Kesling Mill UMC
- Bob Carr
- Mt. Rupert UMC
- Celebrate Recovery
- Dave & Rennie Garda
- Barry & Andrea Fletcher
- Amanda Posey
- Daniel & DeeDee Barrett
- Rick & Margie Stocking
- Jeff & Cassie Coffman
- Sue Porter
- Leon & Judy Lucas
- Matthew & Brittany Marlow
- Dave & Susan Froese
- Justin & Sarah Carter

- Doug Spears
- Roy Mackey
- Richard Ware
- Sandy Ware
- Esther Carlson
- Todd Carson
- Kenny & Debbie Rice
- Cindy Goodin
- Mary Alice Poling
- Susie Campbell
- June Cvechko
- Melody Stemple
- Al & Mary Blandino
- Jeff & Kelly Hyre
- Kristina Mbirra
- Joe & Amber DeGroff
- Don Paco Mexican Rest.
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Steve Ratliff
- Gayle Thomas Rowan
- Dan Afzalirad
- Ross & Molly Campbell
- Dorris Fortney



We also want to honor those that helped or Volunteered:

- Lucinda Landis
- Suzanne Bohman & Family
- Justin Dynes
- John Patterson
- Ally Fell
- Amy Thorne
- Gail Poling
- Teena Thorne
- New Community ACTS Group
- Meadowland Trailer Park
- Rennie's Mobile Village
- Ray & Twila Edgell
- Jasper Alfred
- Carol Ochs
- Trevor & Emily Morris / Family
- Jack & Cindy Bohman
- Mercy Eshete
- Beth Bohman & Family
- Lacy Ramsey & Family
- Brittany Marlow
- Santa & Kate Spears

Community Impact (18K)

- Foodwagon
- Warm them up
- the Santa Cause
- Fix it
- We Care
- Snowball Express
- Organizations we support

Ambassador Team (132K)

- Global Equippers
- Regional Ambassadors
- Community Ambassadors

Message from our Executive Director



We invite you to partner with us and Be the Church *Monday - Saturday*. With all the evil and bad news we hear each day why not consider being that bit of good news others can talk about. Acts of Kindness and Encouragement require very little of our finances and time. It all comes down to: What are you willing to do?

If we can help you in anyway, it is our desire to do so. Whether that is improving how you view the world and yourself or helping you become a better friend, we want you to have the skills needed to enjoy life and live a life of compassion. Our training is available and

structured for your situation.

Maybe you have a hangup that you just can't shake and need someone to help you navigate past it. If we can't offer you the counsel you need then we will help you find the right person.

This Spring we are continuing our classes.

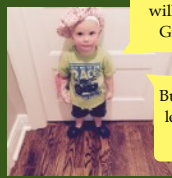
If you are interested in taking a college level class at a slower pace and for much less the cost, contact us. Each class meets once a week for 2.5 hours. Full scholarships are limited.

What we are offering Spring '16:

Greek
101a

Greek
101b

TBA



One day I will learn Greek.

But first, I'm learning to cook.

Advisory Board

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- Dave Garda — Vice President**
- Steve Bohman — Treasurer**
- Dave Froese — Secretary**
- W. V. Crockett**
- Jerry Casto**
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