# 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.

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# Message from our Executive Assistant & Community Impact Director



Allow me to share with you what it is that I actually do at Restoring H.O.P.E. during the year. I wear two big hats that make it possible for us to encourage and equip people to restore hope to the hopeless.

*Iessica* 

First: I manage our home base office and oversee all hospitality events, our Executive Dir. travel itinerary, and correspondence to our partners.

I get to make sure all of our supplies, materials, and people are where they should be. I host all of our hospitality events and make sure all the details are not overlooked. I send out our prayer cards, thank you notes, and newsletters. I also make sure our ministry calendar runs smoothly.

Second: I get to oversee & make happen our Buckhannon Impact Efforts.

## Impact Events we organize

#### **Foodwagon**



the Santa Cause



Fix it







# Other programs we partner with.

Food Backpacks



Community Church

**Diaper Drive** 



Pregnancy Care Center

Thanksgiving Meals



Celebrate Recovery Living Word COG

**Parish House** 



**Living Waters** 

**Back to School Backpacks** 



# **Our next Impact Event**

## We Care



What: We Care

Who: Elderly people in our area

When: March 25, 2017 Where: Buckhannon, WV Holbrook Nursing Home How can you partner with us?

- 1. Pray for the event
- 2. Prep for event, March 23
- 3. Come pass out care packages
- 4. Make a tax-deductible donation (Help us keep the lights on)

If you are aware of someone at Holbrook and want to give them a care package, please let us know

or take a care package to them and show them that YOU care.

# Message from our Connections Coordinator & Chaplain



Allow me to share with you what it is that I actually do at Restoring H.O.P.E. during the year. I wear three hats that make it possible for us to encourage and equip people to restore hope to the hopeless.

Kristina

First: I get to build stronger relational connections between our staff and Ambassadors, as well as connect with donors and supporters.

I connect what we do by making sure our Newsletter is distributed to everyone that is on our mailing list. I make sure that our mailing list is up to date. I also help our team become better acquainted with each other despite the geographical distance that separates some of us.



Second: I get to be the chaplain to our Staff, Ambassadors, Advisory Board, and even our financial partners if desired.

I provide non-denominational support in the areas of spiritual matters and morale for all staff and ambassadors. I honor all prayer requests made by RH staff, ambassadors, donors, and supporters and oversee our prayer base team that pray for our ministry and those involved. I get to publish written devotionals to our website and/or newsletter and organize and facilitate a quarterly prayer call for all RH staff and ambassadors. And lastly, I get to develop curriculum for Spiritual Formation classes/programs that we host.

Third: I get to Oversee/Manage our East Coast office and make happen our White Plains, N.Y. Impact Efforts.

I represent our interests on the East Coast and make sure everything and everyone volunteering with Restoring Hope is cared for and functional. I also get to dream of ways to bless our White Plains community through our -coming soon- Impact efforts. These will entail overseeing all of the administration, fundraising and implementation of the events while offering and equipping people the opportunities to serve their neighbors and community.

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## Message from our Executive Director



Allow me to share with you what it is that I actually do at Restoring H.O.P.E. during the year. I wear many hats that make it possible for us to encourage and equip people to restore hope to the hopeless.

Matt

#### First: I do the Administration and get to oversee our Restoring H.O.P.E. Staff

**Matt Bohman** 

Accounting
Human Resources
I.T. Department
Publishing

**Executive Director** 

**Jessica Bohman** 



Executive Assistant & Buckhannon Impact Director

Kristina E. Newland Sammy



Connections Coordinator & Chaplain

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**Director of Advancement** 

Second: I get to do Leadership Development and Training which includes overseeing our summer and year intern program.

I help leaders across the country develop the Skills, Information, and Attitudes needed to build the Kingdom of God. I also help individuals become the best person they were created to be through workshops, classes, internships, and mentoring.



#### Third: I get to Equip and Resource other Organizations and Leaders

Working with Cadre Missionaries, I am privileged to be a part of a writing team where their material was used to train over 5,000 people in 2017. I also spend time helping others develop their teaching/training material. Yet the most impactful material in which I get to invest is what I create and use within Restoring HOPE's opportunities.







Fourth: I get to Oversee, Encourage and Equip our endorsed Community Impact Ambassadors of H.O.P.E. that restore hope to their community.

# Our endorsed Community Impact Ambassadors of HOPE

#### Richmond, Virginia



Dan & Liz Baker

Dan & Liz have opened up their home to people for long term stays and meet needs around them. Their lifestyle example was the catalyst for starting Restoring HOPE.

#### Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



**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.

**Bakersfield, California** 



**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.

**White Plains, New York** 



Kristina E. Newland Sammy

Kristina has been a long time supporter of Restoring HOPE and loves what we do in WV. She desires to impact her community through acts of kindness and Impact Events.

**Buckhannon, West Virginia** 



**Jessica Bohman** 

SEE page 3 for detailed info. on how we impact the people in Buckhannon, W.V.. The expenses are covered in our first Priority phase.

Fifth: I get to encourage and promote our endorsed Global and Regional Ambassadors of H.O.P.E. that are restoring hope across the globe.

# Our endorsed *Global Impact* equippers



Dave is a pastor & coach, with Cadre, who has prayerfully come alongside 100's of churches in most every state, province & 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 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, that helps prostitutes being trafficked and offers them a way out 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 is the Northern WV rep with Celebrate Recovery that helps those with 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.

#### **Matthew & Caroline Barnett**



Matthew pastors at the Dream Center which rescues people in hopeless situations and has radically transformed their L.A. neighborhood and city.

Lastly: I and my staff get to lead by example and live out our 1st and 2nd Step Action Steps and provide Encouragement, Pastoral Care, and Counseling.

# First Step Action (Short term investment)



Phone calls & emails
Building friendships from a
distance and encouraging



**Benevolent Care** 

Helping people remove obstacles that prevent hope from being seen.



#### Being a bridge to hope

Getting people to the long-term support needed for their recovery.



#### **Community Impact**

Providing opportunities for people to serve their community through short term benevolent events.

# Second Step Action (Long term investment)



Time together

Building friendships in person and encouraging HOPE.



Celebrate Recovery
Investing 2nd Step Action
(long-term support) at
Celebrate Recovery. We also
help with the Youth program.



CR Step Study

Investing 2nd Step Action (long-term support) through an 8-12 month twelve step program.



Counseling

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



Workshops

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

## A KID CALLED BUTTER

My wife came home one day after subbing and shared how a kindergarten boy that was being punished for behavioral outbursts told her that he was hungry. The only food he had to eat over the weekend was a stick of butter. We were both angry and heartbroken at the same time and knew that this is not an isolated case, for we live in a state that leads the country in child poverty. We nicknamed the kid - *Butter* - and she would update how he was doing after she subbed at his school.

Months later I met a very broken man at Celebrate Recovery that knew his alcohol addiction was destroying the lives of his children and that he needed help. His wife at the time was and still is a drug addict who often left the kids to fend for themselves. As I spoke with him and some of his older children, I learned he was going through a divorce. My wife approached me and whispered in my ear... "that kid over there is Butter." It finally dawned on me that I was talking with Butter's dad. I smiled, shook his hand, and encouraged him to keep coming back to C.R.. I began to intentionally invest my energy into him. Over several months we became friends and Jesus began transforming his life.

# In Memoriam - Bob Howard -

Restoring HOPE wants to pay our respects to Bob Howard. One of the best servant minded youth sponsors that worked with Matt Bohman. You will be missed greatly, Bob.



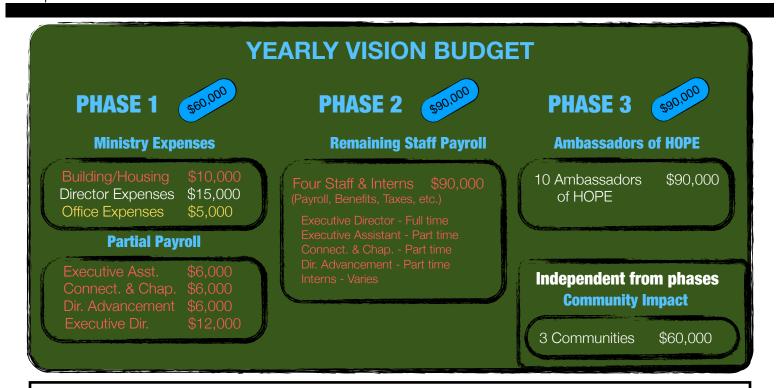


# Message from our interim Director of Advancement



Our Director of Advancement position has recently been vacated and we are looking for people to join our team that have experience raising money. Get a hold of me for details. Please. I do not want to oversee our fundraising.

Matt



Your partnership allows our Staff to pay our bills and feed our kids. It allows us to be with those that are hurting. It allows all of us to be a part of a bigger team that is feeding children in poverty, rescuing little girls from sex trafficking, rescuing drug addicts, and rescuing adult sex slaves from being trafficked against their will.

Together, we are bringing Heaven's will on Earth!





# 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.

# We want to thank those that have given financial support to Restoring HOPE in 2018:

- We Help THEM
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- Kesling Mill UMC
- Mt. Rupert UMC
- Jerry & Vicki Casto
- Chris & Veronica Knorr
- Steve & Holly Bohman
- Dave & Rennie Garda
- Barry & Andrea Fletcher
- Sue Porter
- Joan Harman

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