

Be the Church

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

A Quarterly Newsletter

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Upcoming events

Consulting and Encouragement Trips

to:

- Clarksburg, WV
July 14
- Bakersfield, CA
July 27 - August 10
- Elkins, WV
September 12-14

2022 Community Impact Changes

Due to Covid still rearing its ugly head, Restoring HOPE is halting our normal Community Impact programs until the over-the-top national and local restrictions are ended.

Jessica has shifted out from being our Community Impact Director and will focus that time on the growing and exhausting demand of being a mom to special needs kids. Her assistant role and advocate efforts will still continue.

We received a very large donation designated to help the students and teachers in our county, so disbursing those funds will be our Community Impact efforts for 2022. Matt will take the lead for that and meet with the counselors and Principals of our 9 schools. We will bless many.

Message from our Executive Director

Matt Bohman

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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 teaching & training material 3) training relationship/ministry skills and teaching Bible/religion and 4) our Ambassadors of HOPE **resourcing** movement. He also oversees our **Showing** 2nd step **counseling** efforts.



As I prepared for 2022, I decided to take a step back and focus more on my writing projects, time with my writing team, and providing more teaching opportunities. My first 2022 trip to Chicago was a great success and encouragement. I look forward to sharing and teaching the fruit of that trip.

I also decided to take a step back from donating my time to the recovery ministry I have come alongside in our town. The Community Impact responsibility for 2022 plus the amount of time needed in the next seasons of parenting special needs children sealed the decision, for the bill of being a special needs dad has been delivered.

Lastly, it is with a heavy heart that I share a sting to my soul that I had hoped was still far off. My father passed on to Jesus January 23, 2022. The suddenness of his death is still gut wrenching.

Covid tried to take him last year but he battled back. I am very thankful for being blessed with an additional summer trip with him and all of my brother's families, an extra birthday each, multiple Saturday visits where he was able to hug my children, one more Halloween where he enjoyed passing out candy for us at Restoring HOPE headquarters, and even one last Christmas.

Restoring HOPE lost our biggest champion & ministry partner. Much of my early traveling ministry was possible because of his help. He was my emergency go to when we needed someone to pick up kids, or when I was away and Jessica needed help; even help in the middle of the night.

My earthly life is forever changed. Considering I have a personality that HATES change, please pray for me this year when I come to mind.

Matt

In Memoriam - M. Jack Bohman -

Restoring HOPE wants to pay our respects to Rev. M. Jack Bohman. Life will not be the same. Matt and Steve's father had many talents and construction skills that made growing up fun and let them live way above their means. Those same talents allowed Restoring HOPE to do more in our community than our resources allowed. He is painfully missed.



Top Row: With Matt's family (Executive Director), with Steve's family (Treasurer), with Jerry Casto (Secretary), with Jeff Norris (Advisory Board).
 Middle (left): Church plant and pastoring 29 years @BAC. Middle (right): Pastoring in 8 small churches while running We Help THEM for 17 years.
 Bottom right: Two of Jack's greatest legacies. (Left:) Pastor Tic-Tac. (Right): his wife, Cindy (and raising 4 boys that multiplied to 11 grandkids.)

Christmas highlights



**BIKERS for CLAUS
TOY RIDE**
Serving Children In
Randolph and Surrounding Counties
Starting at Woody's Bowling Center
in Buckhannon, WV
Ride to The American Legion Post 29, Elkins WV

Please Bring a
New unwrapped
Toy for
Children in Need!!
November 13
10 am - KSU at Noon

Sponsored by: CHROME DRAGONS RIDING CLUB



2021 Harrison County Toy Run

Merry Christmas

Sponsored By:

Sunday, November 28th
 Meet at South Harrison High School
 Kickstands Up at 1:00 pm

Please Bring a Unwrapped New Toy for a Child in Need
 Drop off locations at: The Milely Legal Group, RG's Almost Heaven Harley Davidson, RG Motorsport



The Chrome Dragons Riding Club held their annual toy drive and gave Restoring HOPE the gifts they collected. Our local Aaron's store provided a vehicle / driver to transport the gifts from Elkins to Buckhannon.



A big thank you to the
WVWC Fraternities and
Sororities that gave
time to wrap our gifts.







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 2021:

- We Help THEM
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