

STILL SERVING WITH THE SICKLERS!

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Prayers and Praises:

God's continued guidance and direction.

God provides for all our needs!

We continue to be a blessing to our community.

The Chestnut Ridge Community Center renovations reach completion.

WHAT IS APPALACHIAN COMMUNITY CARE (ACC)?

In 1992 Community Association Reinforcing Education, Inc., known as Appalachian Community CARE was incorporated.

This community focused organization started out of a desire for after school tutoring and computer classes to be offered to the Chestnut Ridge Community.

Over the years ACC has offered programs for after school tutoring for elementary school children, youth outreach workers to reach the middle and high school children, a vocational training for young adult men to learn skills to go to work, adult literacy, computer classes,

etc.

ACC operates the Chestnut Ridge Community Center. This is a place where birthday parties, wedding and baby showers, family reunions and funeral dinners are held; also, community outreach events like Women's Craft Night Out, a Harvest Party, Christmas play and dinner, turkey shoot, church retreats and the housing mission teams happen here. The local school board is looking at our facility to implement an alternative school for high schoolers who are unable to be in a traditional classroom.

ACC also is the parent com-

pany of New Vision Renewable Energy. Ruston Seaman is running with this program in the teaching and manufacture of solar panels, biodiesel, and other types of green energy.

Jeff and Lisa along with Dave and Bonnie DeRouchie oversee the activities at the Community Center and also facilitate mission trips.

We are in the process of getting the office set up as well as a web site to keep you updated with what is happening here in these holy hills!



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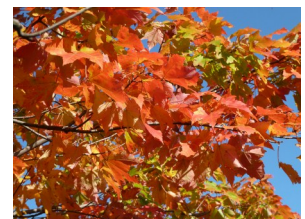


Change is hard. We need to learn a new routine. We feel like we are pulled in many directions at once. But amidst the busyness, there is peace and calm because we know we are doing what the Lord has called us to. When we think we cannot go on, we have this hope, "Have you never heard? Have you never understood? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of all the earth. He never grows weak or weary. No one can measure the depths of his understanding. He gives power to the weak and strength to the powerless. Even youths will become weak and tired, and young men will fall in exhaustion. But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:28-31

We see the Lord working when we stop struggling and just let it go!

Please know that we love and appreciate each and every one of you. Our doors are always open for you to come see the good things the Lord is doing here in West Virginia.

*Willing to serve and follow,
Jeff and Lisa*



WHAT DO WE DO WITH THE REST OF OUR TIME?

This year we grew peppers, tomatoes, spinach, carrots, beets, lettuce and eggplant in our high tunnel. Outside, we grew asparagus, cantaloupe, watermelon, green beans, as well as tomatoes and peppers—green, red, yellow and orange bell peppers, super chili's, banana and habanero's! We sold this produce at our local Com-

munity Garden Market, the Farmers Market at West Virginia University Hospital. We also gave away bushels of tomatoes and peppers to some families in our community for canning.

We also planted over 1/2 acre of pumpkins and gourds and over 5000 mums. We did loose over 1/2 of the

pumpkins due to deer damage, so the dream of a hay ride to the pumpkin patch did not work out this year! We did have plenty of pumpkins to be able to sell a few and give lots away! We have also sold all but 50 mums—which we are also giving away.

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CHESTNUT RIDGE COMMUNITY CENTER RENOVATIONS

Last winter the Chestnut Ridge Community Center had it's bathrooms updated. We are now in the process of building out 5 bedrooms and two bathrooms upstairs and creating a kitchenette in the main hall of the Center.

Should you have any drywall finishing, plumbing, painting, cabinet hanging, drop ceiling installation, general cleaning and decorating skills—we can use your help!

We will be working on these

renovations January thru March. Let us know if you are available to lend a helping hand.

We will feed you well and you will be working in a warm dry place!



The kitchen cabinets will be along this wall.
Here is one of the bedrooms waiting to be finished!



WHAT DO WE DO WITH THE REST OF OUR TIME? CONT'D

“God has been so good in giving us the desires of our hearts and providing for us.”

Thank you faithful friends!

We had 2 cuttings of hay, resulting in 35 round bales each cutting.!

This fall and winter Jeff will be building a pole barn—the goal is to have the roof on, building a 30X96 foot high tunnel, and putting plastic on our 20X96 foot greenhouse.

God has been so good in giving us the desires of our hearts and providing not lonely for us, but also for a few local families who needed a little work to make some extra money.



Here is our high tunnel. Many tomatoes and bell peppers are grown here!
Some of our mums and pumpkins.
Dad with some honey he harvested off the bee hive!



PERSONALLY



Ashton on his 5th birthday party at Coal Country Miniature Golf!

It is hard for us to believe that Ashton is already 5 years old. He has started preschool at Head Start and loves it. He will be well prepared to start kindergarten next year.

Jeffrey is doing well with the West Virginia Department of Corrections as a Correctional Officer.

Lauren, Harold and precious Benjamin, who is now 2, are moving from San Antonio, TX

to the Detroit, MI area. We are grateful for that move, as they will only be 6 hours away!

Michael and Christa have celebrated their one year anniversary and are doing well. Michael will graduate from WVU this winter with a communications degree. He is currently working at Best Buy on the Geek Squad and loves it.

Jeff and Lisa have a litter of

Golden Retriever puppies! 9 cute little things, who thankfully are already sold and will be heading to their new homes by the first of November!

Lisa was blessed to work with a local nonprofit—Heart and Hand—as a co manager for the Community Garden Market. What a blessing to be able to provide healthy locally grown food to the families in our county and to work with wonderful volunteers.