

The Common Task

April 2023

"For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also." -James 2:26

Celebration and Moving Ahead

"From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace to you all" (Philippians 1:2). We are celebrating answered prayers, FaithWorks Executive Committee Identified, and nominated Michael Combs for the position of Executive Director of

FaithWorks! Michael was unanimously approved as the next **Executive Director of** FaithWorks after a special meeting of the Board of Directors. Michael has served on many mission trips for FaithWorks and has served as the president of the Board of Directors for six years. I will be moving on from the Executive Director position at the end of

July. This will give us the opportunity to get Michael fully up to speed and ready to take FaithWorks into the future, bringing Christians on mission trips in our community and abroad. The Bible tells us, "Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 3:13-14). Michael is an amazing man of God and I am looking forward to seeing what will be accomplished in God's Kingdom.



Since the last issue of the Common Task, FaithWorks has been to The Bread of Life Missions in Rimrock AZ for a construction mission, Hope Women's Center and New Life Thrift

Store in Camp Verde AZ for some much needed maintenance and clean up, and out at the **Mission Church** by the Navajo Nation to install a supply line

for the ongoing water project. There are still many more opportunities to serve in the next few months and beyond. Amy and I are very excited to finish our mission strong, before FaithWorks moves forward in its purpose of having the "Church" leave the building.



Hope Women's Center

Hope Women's Center in Camp Verde exists to help women who are in crisis. They were formerly known as the Abide Family Resource Center & Maternity Home, and now consist of Anna House where women have a safe place to live while they heal and gain life skills, and the New Life Thrift Store that provides funding for office space for Hope Women's Center and employment opportunities for the women they serve. Continued on the next page....



The volunteer mission team from FaithWorks showed up and provided maintenance work at

Anna House that included working on some

electrical issues, fixing some leaks in the kitchen. replacing light bulbs, trimming some bushes and repairing some fencing outside. The team then moved to the New Life Thrift Store to work on some cleaning up the outside of the property, including some painted decorative cowboy boots



that had seen better days and cutting down some messy bushes and weeds. We also erected a canopy that will protect workers from the sun and rain while they receive and sort donations that come in. FaithWorks had 9 missioners from 7 churches working at this much needed ministry for women in crisis. We look forward to serving with them again in the future.

Bread of Life Mission

The **Bread of Life Mission** has been working hard to keep their ministry of bringing love and peace through sharing food and other resources with those who are in need. By meeting the

basic needs of those in their community they fulfill the parable in Matthew 25: 35-36, "For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink, I was a stranger and you took Me in, I was naked and you

clothed Me, I was sick and you looked after Me, I was in prison and you visited Me." FaithWorks took 8 people from 5 churches to work on constructing a new office space for Operations Manager Tom Meredith. The Bread of Life has had to reduce its operating space and needed some office space to conduct its business. FaithWorks crews were able to frame up and drywall the needed space as well as doing some clean up, and moving stuff into storage sheds. It is always a blessing to work alongside the Bread of Life Missions, and there are lots of opportunities to volunteer and help grow this ministry.

Mission Church Water Project

The work progresses at the Mission Church out by the Navajo Nation. A key piece of the puzzle to provide water to the fellowship hall has been the laying in of a water supply line from the water tank to the new fellowship building, the bathrooms in the old fellowship hall, and the swamp cooler on the sanctuary. FaithWorks prayers were answered when Adams Trenching volunteered their time and equipment to dig a 300-foot-long trench to put in the water supply line. With their crew of seven and our crew of two, we were able to complete the job, as well as connect the plumbing lines to the bathrooms. There is still some work to be done, and we will need prayers that the plumbing to the

Tom Meredith, Dave Vickers & Gracie, Margot Bramen, Jean Goss, Karen Cooper, Jamey Grande, Suzie Dunn, my & Tony Casali at Bread of Life Mission

bathrooms hold up when the water is turned on. Did I mention that there are now bathrooms with running water at the

Mission Church! Well, they are not quite running yet, but I believe they will be by the next newsletter.

Yours in mission, Tony



Navajo Water Support

FaithWorks has been committed to Church of God Holiness near Leupp for many years. You very well may have been on a mission team there before. FW has had quite a bit of interest and participation in our work with the Navajo's.



Prayerfully consider this additional opportunity to assist this small congregation and the Cody family who live on site as caretakers of the property. We would like to initially fill the 5000-gallon water tank for the church as a gift. We have an approximate quote that this will cost \$350 minimum. If you

would like to help, give us a call at 928-774-0504 or send FW a check with a note for "Navajo Water Support". Thank you for your consideration!

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Opportunities to serve in 2023

Apr 15th El Nathan Ministries, Flagstaff, AZ

May 18th-21st Mexico Medical Clinic

June 3rd Sunshine Rescue Mission, Flagstaff, AZ

Aug 15th-27th Birchwood Christian Camp, Chugiak AK

Sept 8th-9th Mexico Medical Supply Trip

Oct 21st Navajo Mission Church, Leupp, AZ

Nov 2nd-5th Mexico Medical Clinic

Dec 2nd Navajo Christmas, Leupp, AZ



Tom Meredith, Dave Vickers, and Tony Casali hard at work!

Our Vital Statistics [since June 2000]

Mission Trips......255

Missioners sent......4060

Approx. value of donated materials, medicines, &

labor.....2,151,121.50

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FaithWorks Mission Statement

To unite the Christian community in ministry through providing opportunities for education, information, and practical mission experiences, locally, nationally, and internationally.

Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

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