

BUILDING STRONG FAMILIES FOR GOD



OPEN ARMS

YESTERDAY, I ATTENDED A FUNERAL OF SOMEONE THAT WAS VERY CLOSE TO ME SINCE I WAS IN 9TH GRADE... A MERE 26 YEARS AGO. WHILE I WAS NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THIS PERSON, MY SON WAS. NONETHELESS, HE ALWAYS MADE ME FEEL LIKE PART OF HIS FAMILY. HE WELCOMED ME WITH OPEN ARMS SINCE THE FIRST TIME I MET HIM. HONESTLY, THIS WAS HOW HE TREATED EVERYONE. HE WAS A GENTLE GIANT WITH A SERVANT HEART. AS I STOOD AT HIS FUNERAL YESTERDAY, I COULDN'T HELP BUT BE REMINDED HOW MUCH JESUS WILL WELCOME US HOME WITH OPEN ARMS ONE DAY IF WE CHOOSE TO FOLLOW HIM. HE WILL WELCOME US WITH OPEN ARMS SAYING "WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT, WELL DONE."

WELCOME!

June 30, 2024

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10AM
WORSHIP 11AM
CHILDREN'S CHURCH AGES 3-7
NURSERY 2 & YOUNGER

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

PRIMARY CLASS 3-6
JUNIOR CLASS 7-12
TEEN CLASS 13-17
7 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS



VBS

GNC 5-DAY CLUB
JULY 29-AUG 2



**OPERATION
BACKPACK**
SCHOOL-SUPPLY
DRIVE BEGINNING
JULY 7

ZIONS REFUGE BAPTIST CHURCH
1400 LUCAS ROAD PO BOX 3934
MANSFIELD, OH 44903

SENIOR PASTOR DAVID PARSONS
YOUTH PASTOR TIM PARSONS
419-525-0617

WWW.ZIONSREFUGECHURCH.COM



2024 YOUTH SERVICE

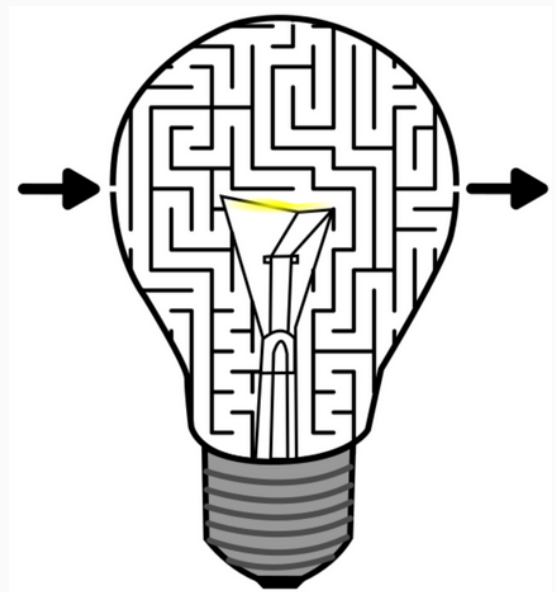
LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

HOW DO WE SHINE FOR GOD?

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO FOLLOW JESUS AND BE A LIGHT IN THE WORLD?

WHAT TALENT HAS GOD GIVEN YOU TO SHINE FOR HIM?

HOW CAN OLDER CHRISTIANS HELP YOUNGER CHRISTIANS?



MISSIONARY SPOTLIGHT

JIM & APRIL STARKEY

UPDATE

JUNE 26, 2024

GOD HAS BEEN SO GOOD AND SO KIND TO US THIS PAST MONTH, AS IT'S BEEN ONE OF THE BUSIEST MONTHS OF OUR LIVES. JIM HAS BEEN TRAVELING FOR MOST OF IT, WHICH HAS BEEN HARD ON HIM BEING AWAY FROM US AND HARD ON THE KIDS NOT HAVING HIM WITH US. JIM, APRIL & AMELIA TRAVELED TO SANTIAGO IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO FIND A HOME AND GET TO KNOW THE AREA SOME BEFORE THE MOVE. THEY ALSO VISITED ONE OF THE SCHOOLS THEY HOPE TO ENROLL ZEKE IN.

THEN, JIM TRAVELED TO MISSOURI FOR A MISSIONS CONFERENCE WITH RMI'S PRESIDENT. IT WAS A SUCCESSFUL TIME THERE AND THEY WERE ABLE TO SHARE WITH MANY PEOPLE ABOUT WHAT RMI DOES.

BY GOD'S GRACE, JIM AND MICAIAH WENT DOWN TO HAITI FOR A WEEK AND PACKED UP 77 BOXES TOTALING 2,500 LBS FOR AGAPE MISSIONARY PILOTS TO FLY OVER TO SANTIAGO FOR US LATER. WE ALL HAD TEARFUL GOODBYES (THEY IN PERSON AND THE REST OF US OVER VIDEO) AS WE SAID GOODBYE TO EACH ROOM, OUR HOME AND OUR STAFF WHO BECAME FAMILY TO US. WE STILL TALK TO THEM ON A WEEKLY BASIS, AS THEY MEAN SO MUCH TO US.

MISSIONARY SPOTLIGHT

JIM & APRIL STARKEY

UPDATE CONT'D

AFTER A WEEK OR SO OF RETURNING FROM HAITI, WE PACKED UP ALL OUR ITEMS HERE STATESIDE AND JIM AND ISAAC DROVE A U-HAUL DOWN TO FLORIDA AND DROPPED OUR ITEMS OFF AT AGAPE MISSIONARY PILOTS. WHILE THERE, WE ALSO TRANSFERRED OUR ACCOUNT FROM LES CAYES, HAITI TO SANTIAGO, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. IF YOU EVER WANT TO SEND OUR FAMILY SOMETHING IN THE MAIL, HERE IS THE ADDRESS TO SEND IT TO NOW:

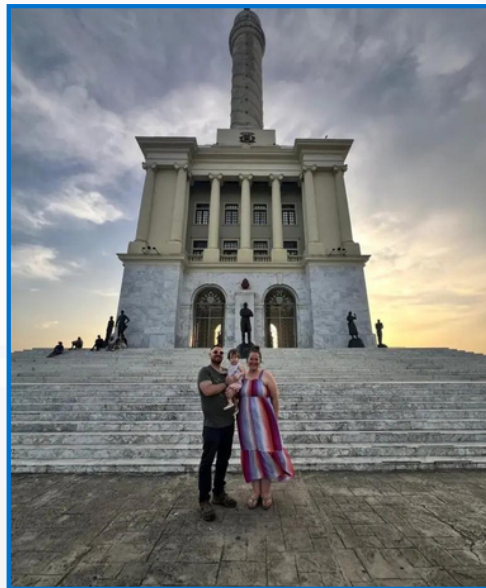
JIM & APRIL STARKEY
C/O AGAPE FLIGHTS – STI 30007
100 AIRPORT AVENUE E.
VENICE, FL 34285

WE NOW ENTER THE TIME OF TRANSITION, WHERE IT'S THE TIME TO SPEND WITH FAMILY AND THOSE CLOSEST TO YOU, TO SHARE THOSE LAST MOMENTS WITH AND SAY GOODBYE. THIS IS ONE OF THE HARDEST TIMES BUT TIMES WE TREASURE AND KNOW IT'S NEEDED TO GO THROUGH AS YOU TRANSITION.

WE ARE AT 63% RAISED FOR OUR ONE-TIME MOVING COSTS GOAL AND 47% RAISED FOR THE EXTRA MONTHLY SUPPORT WE NEED TO LIVE IN THE DR. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR THIS AND ARE PRAYING AND EXCITED TO SEE HOW THE REST WILL COME IN, WHO IT WILL BE AND WHEN! GOD KNOWS! WE TRUST!

WE HAVE BEEN SPEAKING AT VARIOUS CHURCHES AND HAVE ONE MORE TO GO. IT'S BEEN A BLESSING TO SHARE AT ALL OF THESE PLACES, MEET NEW PEOPLE, SEE ONES WE HAVEN'T SEEN IN AWHILE AND SHARE WHAT WE FEEL GOD IS HAVING US DO NEXT. WOULD YOU PRAY FOR US?

FOR THE REST OF THE FUNDS TO COME IN! WE'D LOVE YOU TO BE A PART, WE HAVE SUPPORTERS THAT GIVE ANYWHERE FROM \$10 A MONTH TO \$500. ALL OF IT MATTERS AND HELPS!



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE
SUNDAYS 9:15
2ND & 4TH TUESDAYS 7:00PM

PASTOR DAVE'S OFFICE HOURS
THURSDAYS 6-8PM
APPOINTMENT ONLY

MISSIONARY SUNDAY
LAST SUNDAY OF
EVERY MONTH