

News from the Prayer Path

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April flew by! Watching you serve as the hands and feet of Jesus was the best part of all. Thank you for allowing me to serve alongside you.



Welcome to Gus, the newest member of our team! Gus is full of personality and very opinionated. He loves carrots, hates squash, and kale is his fav. Can God use a sassy bunny in outreach? I wasn't sure, but a recent visit to the Structured Day Program at Fillmore removed all doubt.

Gus and I met with each class of students. They petted him and got acquainted while I shared a bit of his story. As I told them about his early days as a bullied bunny and the amazing way God provided a new home and a new family for him, the students' expressions softened and they reached out to love on him a bit more. Some of them knew about being bullied from painful personal experience. We talked about Gus' fresh start and how we, too, can have a fresh start with Jesus and overcome our hurts. Heads nodded. Smiles spread. Students knelt on the floor to get closer to this sweet bunny. Gus has lots more to share with these troubled kids and we're looking forward to his next visit.

Remember last month, when we all thought 2,000 pounds of sweet potatoes was a lot? Take a peek at 4,000 lbs. of sweet potatoes. You prayed and teams of volunteers bagged and distributed 4,000 lbs of potatoes and prayed with those who wanted prayer. It was an amazing day as people shared how God moved in response to last month's prayers, opened their hearts and lives to give us their prayer requests, and prayed alongside us. We were humbled and blessed to serve.



Down to the last box and seriously tired, we planned to leave it at a door along the way. Before the truck was out of the parking lot, **a car pulled in just in time for a divine appointment.** I looked up to see the truck driver on his knees in prayer with the driver of the car. Can God use taters to change lives? Yes, He can. And He did it again.



A mountain of taters (above)
Volunteers hard at work (left)
A divine appointment (rt)





On a recent visit to SDP at Fillmore, I asked a question triggered by a conversation with Jason Martin, Director of the Hunger Coalition. “Do you need a snack pantry?” To my surprise, the answer was YES!

Thanks to your generous partnership, I was able to buy breakfast food, protein snacks, and a few “fun foods” that same day. The school nurse organized everything. **Through the Snack Pantry, you’ve provided food to students when there weren’t enough free breakfasts to go around, when a crisis at home resulted in a missed breakfast, and when growing students arrived hungry and stayed hungry all day long.**

Do emails to missionaries matter? A ping signaled an email in my inbox one recent evening. It was 3:49 am in Africa where a worried missionary was awake, rehearsing the schedule for the day and trying to figure out how to solve a pressing and near-catastrophic problem. “It’s 3:49 am and I’m lying here wide awake and praying that we can get much accomplished tomorrow in spite of the rain and mud.” My quick reply began with “tonight you are not praying alone. I’m right there with you...” A few hours later, I received another email...(see at right) Your generosity makes encouragement in the dark of the night possible for missionaries around the world and helps them press on when times are hard.

“I printed your email and carried it in my pocket all day long. You prayed just what I needed to hear.” A missionary to Africa

Please pray for (and consider helping with):

1. Upcoming food outreaches.
2. Discernment about when to say yes and when to say no to the work and opportunities presented to me.
3. Wisdom and creativity for current website revamp. For it to be a useful resource for those interested in discipleship and digging deeper in God’s Word.
4. For the students at TAS (Fillmore) to finish well, for opportunities to reach out to them in the name of Jesus, and for our food program to finish strong.
5. For clear direction as I refine the module I’m teaching and the resources I’m sharing at our Missionary Orientation and Training in June.
6. Establishment of a rhythm of rest after a too-long season of non-stop outreach and work. (I surely am tired.)

Leanna joined Global Outreach as a peer-to-peer funded missionary in 2016. She’s raising her own support and needs your help to make ministry projects like the Transforming Tupelo/Feeding students program, homeless outreach, missionary prayer support, and women’s outreach possible. Contact her at: lhollis@globaloutreach.org

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