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THE ROYAL LAW

By David White, KOM Board Chairman

President William McKinley grew up in a devout Methodist home, and was close to both his parents. His mother's faith was like an umbrella over his entire life, and her humble service for the Lord became a model he followed in public life. McKinley's biographer wrote, "Nancy had charge of the Niles Methodist Church, keeping it clean and well maintained as if it were her home. A neighbor remembered she ran the church, all but the preaching. Mother McKinley, as she became known, tended to ailing friends and boarded traveling ministers and teachers in the family's home. She also served as the town's peacemaker, resolving quarrels and neighborhood disputes." Sitting at her feet watching it all was a future President of the United States.

We never know how our influence for Christ will change the world. God calls us to love by encouraging and building each other up. When we raise our families, serve our church and community, and make peace in our neighborhoods for Christ's sake, we are letting God's love flow through us.

Daily, I see this taking place at King Outreach Ministry. We may or may not be influencing a future President or world leader, but we certainly can and do make an impact on people's lives in our own community.

Much can be gained by service through an organization like King Outreach Ministry, and I encourage anyone that can to become involved to do so. We welcome anyone that would like to give of their time to join us at KOM!

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." James 2:8

THRIFT SHOP NEWS

By Barbara Hunsucker, Thrift Shop Chairperson

Now that the cold weather is disappearing it is heart lifting to see trees and flowers blooming everywhere. Spring is a wonderful time of year to bring out bright colors to wear and enjoy. Our shop is filled with new styles and lots of Spring flair. Casual clothes are available for all members of the family. Dresses and suits for Easter and special occasions are hanging on racks so now is the time to select your new apparel.

It is not too early to think of shorts, bathing suits and items for summer camps. While you are browsing the shop check out our linen and household rooms for gifts and special additions to your home. We have lots and lots of deals at unbelievable prices.

As an added thought--our selections of stuffed bunnies, chicks, ducks and other toys for Easter are great. They all need homes.

Please keep us in mind for good used furniture; there is always a need for these items. Please check with us to be sure we have room in storage. Again thank you for shopping with us and supporting our community.

For more information please call our store at 983-3600. Thrift Shop hours are Wednesday through Friday-9:00 AM to 6:00 PM and Saturdays-9:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Deodorant, Bath Soap, Clothes Detergent Diapers –especially sizes 4, 5, & 6; pull-ups too! Diaper wipes

Feminine sanitary products

Personal care products (shampoo, razors, toothpaste,

Toothbrushes-individually wrapped)

Depends, bed pads and adult diapers – all sizes

OTHER NEEDS

Good used furniture for our Thrift Shop

Good used blankets & quilts

Good used linens & curtains for our Thrift Shop

Good used fans & small air conditioners

Household items (dishes, flatware, pots & pans)

Lamps, lamp shades, gently used clothing

Curtain rods and window shades

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Have You Ever Considered?

In this issue of our newsletter, we include items that have been suggested to us as ways to increase giving to help our neighbors in need. These are some good ideas that have worked in other places to help agencies like KOM.

- For children or teen birthday parties suggesting no gifts for the young person but requesting canned food or personal care items be given which will be donated to KOM.
- Having Youth groups conduct food drives at local grocery stores to collect items for KOM.
- Giving "In Honor Of" or "In Memory Of" gifts and donations to KOM. We acknowledge these to the person being honored or to the families of the departed with cards stating who gave a gift. The amount of the gift is not disclosed in the acknowledgments to those honored or families of those remembered.
- Buying "extra items" to be used as donations to our food pantry whenever you go to the grocery store, WalMart or other stores.
- Issuing challenges within your circle of friends, work group, Sunday School classes, etc., to donate funds or goods to KOM once a quarter, twice a year, or even once a year.
- Using coupons to purchase personal care items for donation to KOM.
- For adults on their birthdays, anniversaries or even at Christmas, requesting food and personal care items donations be made to KOM in their honor in lieu of receiving gifts.
- Making designations in your estate planning to help KOM continue to help others, including gifts of money, stock or household goods.
- Sharing the KOM story with family and friends, business associates and fellow church members to "spread the word" about our efforts to help those in need.
- When using Amazon to make purchases, please use smile.Amazon.com and designate KOM as the beneficiary, for holiday gifts use smile.Amazon.com/ch/56-1409298 and we will get .05% of your purchase price as a donation!

SCOUTING FOR FOOD FOR KOM

Local Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts Troops and Packs participated in Scouting for Food efforts in our local community. The following troops and packs gathered 4,518.5 pounds of food and delivered it to KOM:

Troop/Pack 409 King American Legion Post 290 Troop/Pack 415 Capella Church of Christ

Troop/Pack 450 Trinity United Methodist Church
Troop/Pack 900 New Hope United Methodist Church
Troop/Pack 450 Trinity United Methodist Church
Troop/Pack 450 Trinity United Methodist Church

Troop/Pack 914 Kingswood United Methodist Church

Troop/Pack 992 Bethania Moravian Church

We sincerely appreciate the diligence and efforts of these young men and their leaders in helping us feed the hungry in our community!

WEST STOKES AND PORT JERVIS, NY HIGH SCHOOLS NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETIES SERVE KOM

On Saturday, March 11, students from the National Honor Societies of West Stokes High School and Port Jervis, NY High School worked together as part of a Service Day by serving King Outreach Ministry at our Main Office and Thrift Store. The students helped with incoming donations of clothing, etc., helped unload the food picked up at local grocery stores, put these items on shelves or in cold storage units as needed, and defrosted and cleaned out refrigerators and freezers!



There were at least 8 students at the Main Office and 4 at the Thrift Store working. A number of others had worked earlier in the day at the Feed Stokes 5K Race.

It was a wonderful experience for all of us to be able to share time and work together. And when one sees high school students giving their time and energy to help those who are less fortunate in a community, we can be sure that the next generation is being well prepared to take over!

One of the most interesting things we learned is that the Port Jervis, NY National Honor Society students are required to give 2 days per month service at their local food pantry!

HELPING OTHERS FOR HER BIRTHDAY!



Miss Andyn Points presents checks and food to KOM following her 9th birthday party celebration. For the second year in a row, Andyn asked for food for the hungry and monetary donations instead of personal birthday gifts! What a wonderful way to celebrate a birthday and to show others how we should help those in need. Andyn and her mom, Tabatha, along with her grandparents brought KOM 339.5 pounds of food and over \$330.00 in checks and cash to help us help those in need. Congrats and thanks to Andyn and her family for helping feed the hungry in our community!

NEW KOM BOARD MEMBER

T. Beroth has joined the KOM Board of Directors effective January 1, 2017. Many of you know T as the proprietor of Stokes Tire and one of the principal owners of the Mock-Beroth Tire chain of tire and automotive stores. T says, "I've worked in my family business in King, NC since 1978. I have been happily married to Linda for 35 years. We have a son who is a partner in the business and works at the Shattalon Tire location. He and his wife have blessed us with twin grandsons and we have another grandson due in July 2017! Our daughter is married and lives in Raleigh. She is on staff with College Young Life of Raleigh, NC. My wife and I faithfully attend Jefferson Christian Church of Rural Hall, NC. I have also been a member of King Kiwanis since 2002. I serve on the Historic Bethabara Park board, North Carolina Tire Dealers Association (serving as President), and Foothills Young Life Committee." Welcome T!

A NOTE FROM MIKE By Mike Culler, KOM Executive Director

Hello dear friends and neighbors! It is a cold day here in this area with winds and very cold temperatures; here at KOM we are basking in the warmth of your support and God's love! We have been so blessed by so many people, churches and organizations over these past several years. I have been absolutely amazed and humbled by all of you and our volunteers, by the work that has been done and the numbers of people we have been able to help because of each of you!

This will be my last A NOTE FROM MIKE. I will retire from KOM effective June 30, 2017. I served on the KOM Board in the mid to late 1990's for 6 years. Following my retirement from the Winston-Salem Police Department in 2001, I found myself once again at KOM in July 2002. It is hard to believe I have been associated with KOM for 21 years, with the past 15 years as Executive Director! I can truthfully tell you it has been a wonderful and heartwarming experience! Working with the many different people who have served on our Board of Directors, with hundreds of volunteers and all our community partners has proven time and again just how much love and support is found in this community for KOM and those in need.

I want to say a very heartfelt thanks to everyone – the community at large, our supporters, and especially our volunteers. I also want to thank our client families for allowing us, and me especially to become part of your lives. I have gotten and given so many hugs, thanks, laughs, and giggles. Some of our clients have said the only time they get a hug is when they come here! There are so many who come in and stop by my office just to chat or to pick with me on their way in or as they leave. They have become members of the KOM family, and are so appreciative of the help they receive. That help would not be possible without all the wonderful community support! So once again, thank you for all you do to help us help others! You will see the job posting for my position in this newsletter and if you or someone you may know would be interested, please tell them to apply!

We have included many different stories of help we have received this quarter, and it is especially great to see the numbers of children and youth that are getting involved in contributing to our efforts. To see the students and sponsors from Port Jervis NY joining with the West Stokes High School students in service projects was delightful! I spoke with a number of them at our Main Office and at the Feed Stokes 5K race. When you see young people who are willing to travel hundreds of miles to help others, I think we can all rest easy about the next generation.

When I first started as Executive Director, we had about 104 volunteers; today we have over 215! And this does not include the EC students from West Stokes High School who come every Wednesday to "work" here at our Main Office. They have so much fun and we certainly enjoy having them here! Our volunteers range in age from 101 (and no that is not a misprint-those of you who know Ms. Mary Etta Gentry know what I mean!) down to age 4, a young lady that comes with her mom, grandmother and great grandmother and who counts out 4 rolls of toilet tissue and places those in a bag to be given out with food orders!

Blessings galore abound in what we do and the interactions we have on a daily basis! God has poured out showers of blessings from Heaven on each of us and we thank Him for each one! May God bless each of you and your family members as you continue your life's journey! The Lord's Poor Excuse for a Servant, Mike

AND CHILDREN SHALL LEAD THEM!

The Quaker Gap Baptist Church young people held a personal care products drive in their church to help KOM with these items. On Wednesday February 8, 16 young people and 6 adult advisors came to KOM to bring their collected items and tour our building. They brought in 64 pounds of toothpaste, toothbrushes, bath soap and other similar items. And the best part was they saw we had only one toothbrush and two small tubes of toothpaste before they presented their collections! They saw how important it was for them to collect these items. Way to go "Gap kids!"



MIRACLES AT KING OUTREACH MINISTRY

Rev. Yates Wilkinson, Jr; KOM Board

A long time ago in the Holy Land a little boy got up very early. He was so excited he couldn't sleep. His mother had said he could go fishing on the Sea of Galilee with his friends. She was preparing his lunch, but only had five pieces of bread to put in. Then she said, "I hope you can catch some fish to go with your bread." He picked up his lunch bag and walked happily to meet his friends. He and his friends fished for a while, but he had only caught two small fish to put with his lunch.

About midday they noticed a crowd gathering on the hillside and walked over to see what was taking place. The crowd was continuing to grow. The man from Galilee was speaking and the people were very attentive for no man spoke like this. His words were wonderful.

Lunch time came and went and the people were hungry and Jesus asked what they were going to do. One of the disciples suggested sending the people away, but the fast food places were centuries away. Andrew said, "There is a lad here with five loaves and two fishes." The boy presented them to Jesus and Jesus asked the disciples to have the crowd sit in an orderly fashion. Then He prayed and fed over 5,000 people with the boy's lunch. Someone has said there were two miracles that day.

It seems to me this is a reflection of what we do at King Outreach. We follow the example of Christ and help feed, clothe and meet other needs of His dear children. In His wisdom He led the churches of Stokes County to establish King Outreach as a place where the Lord's people can come to receive help and a kind word and even a prayer.

Thus, like the little boy who donated his lunch to the Master, each of us has the golden opportunity to give food, clothes, furniture or to financially carry on His work. Like Andrew in the story who found the little boy with his lunch and brought him to Jesus, we need precious volunteers to carry on His work.

The times are difficult and the needs are great. People are hurting and hungry. We need your gifts of money, food, clothing and furniture as never before. People are in the dark and need help with power bills. People are cold and need help with heating bills. Yes, "Bo" time is here, but for some to experience "Bo" time they need our help.

We gratefully thank you for your support in the past and for what you are currently doing. Then we challenge you for your continued and additional help in the future as we minister to Jesus' little ones.

ARE YOU IN A R.U.S.H.?

On Thursday February 23, at 7:00 a.m., the King Rotary Club organized a Rush for Food project as part of the Rotarians United to Stop Hunger efforts. They invited local celebrities and students from the local high schools to participate in the two events at Lowe's Foods-Five Forks Center and at Food Lion-Mountain View Plaza.

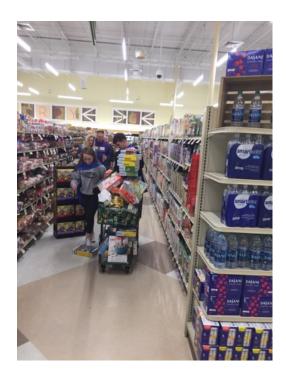


People gathered at the two stores to cheer the participants on. The participants were told to gather as many non-perishable items as possible in their carts in a 5 minute period. All the participants wore a cape and were really "up to the challenge!" It was funny to observe their "Pre-run" preparations with some stretching and running in place.

Our participants included Mayor Jack Warren, City of King; Sheriff Mike Marshall; Stokes County Schools Superintendent Dr. Brad Rice; Eddie McGee of the Stokes County Arts Council; Chad Tucker of WGHP TV8; Angie Gearhart Bailey of Walnut Ridge Assisted Living and the ESOM Board; two students from the West Stokes High School Interact Club-Allie Hawkins and Bailey Moran; and one from the Stokes County Early College High School-Evelyn Marshall!



"Hizzoner" needs sideboards on his cart!



West Stokes participants, Allie Hawkins and Bailey Moran, worked together to hold all their food in the cart!



Dr. Rice's cart overflows with goodies while the "High Sheriff" is getting ready to make his run!



Chad Tucker and the others worked hard on this!



Eddie McGee shows off his "racing style!"



Angie turns at high speed headed for the next aisle!



Evelyn Marshall of the Stokes Early College HS is off and running to fill her buggy!



The "High Sheriff" in pursuit of food to feed the hungry!

We would like to thank all the participants in this event. The foods gathered were shared among the Northern Stokes Food Pantry, East Stokes Outreach Ministry, and King Outreach Ministry.

This is the job posting for the position of Part-Time Executive Director here at KOM. If you are interested, or know of someone who may be, please encourage them to submit a resume as noted below.

Part-time Executive Director King Outreach Ministry King, NC (Stokes County)

King Outreach Ministry of King, NC (Stokes County) is seeking a Part-time Executive Director. King Outreach Ministry (KOM) is a crisis control ministry committed to serving the residents of western Stokes County who qualify for assistance.

The Executive Director will lead efforts to:

- Work well with the Board of Directors in order to fulfill the organization's mission and vision.
- Help develop resources sufficient to ensure the financial health of the organization.
- Represent and enhance KOM's image by being active and visible in the community and by working closely with churches and professional organizations, both civic and private.
- Manage the day-to-day operations of the organization.
- Provide written reports to the Board of Directors and continually assess and communicate internal and external issues that affect the organization.
- Communicate with clients and assess strategies for assistance in an ethical and confidential manner.
- Provide direction for volunteers during day-to-day operation, and plan for volunteer recruitment as needed.

Strong candidates should have:

- College degree; or equivalent combination of education and experience
- Computer proficiency (Microsoft Suite, Internet, Email)
- High integrity leadership skills
- Excellent individual and team management skills
- Hands-on budget management skills, decision making, and reporting
- Strong organizational skills
- Knowledge of fundraising strategies
- Skills to collaborate with and motivate board members and volunteers
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Strong public speaker

Apply Now

This is a part-time position: 5 days per week from 7:30 a.m. to 12 noon Beginning salary \$17,000 per year

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