

## *Appalachian Mountain Ministry Newsletter*

The Appalachian Mountain Ministry team would like to wish each of you who get this letter or read it a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. This is a season when we look back on what God done by sending His Son down on this earth so that we might have the opportunity to live eternally with His Son in Heaven. As this ministry team looks back on this year, we feel so Blessed at having the fine community that we live in, which is caring and desires to share with those who are less fortunate. Praise the Lord for the giving people of this association and others who have contributed to this ministry this year.

This year has had some very interesting moments. First, we have delivered an estimated 500,000 lbs. up to the Appalachian Mountains. These deliveries went to eight different sites, each that supports up to 9 counties. We delivered over 250 bikes, 1500 Bibles, Christmas gifts for the children at each of the sites. Additionally, we have sent up a lot of furniture items, TV's, dishes, household items and many men's women's and children's clothes. In delivering these items we encountered several challenging moments: the truck had to have a transmission replaced and two weeks later it went out again and had to have it replaced. The following week we had to put a new compressor on it which set us back considerably. However we serve an awesome God and He provided for our needs and allowed us to make the final trip of the year with the donations we had received.

The Appalachian Ministry team is looking forward to the new warehouse that is getting near to be started to be built where we will be allowed to work in good working conditions and out of the weather along with having everything in one building. We want to thank Tim Millwood who has been instrumental along with the different committees in the association to get us to this point. During this time we have been allowed to use space normally used by the Disaster Relief Ministry Team and we are internally grateful to Ronnie and his ministry team for all of the help and cooperation they have afforded us.

The new year is going to be a challenge as we have to begin collecting donations to be able to continue supporting the Appalachian Mountain Ministry. Each trip we make costs roughly \$400.00. If you would like to support this vital ministry, you would be encouraged to send your donation to Rehoboth Baptist Association, 744 Lake Joy Road, Warner Robins, GA 31088. **Please mark for Appalachian Mountain Ministry.** Your donations will be greatly appreciated and you will receive a letter to allow you to claim it as a donation on your taxes. *If you would like to help pack items we pack every Tuesday at Ms. Anna's packing shed and we always can use men to load the truck on Tuesday evening currently at 5:00 P.M.*

We pray each of you will have a Blessed 2017.

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2 Corinthians 9:7