



RBA—Appalachian Mountain Ministry

February 2018 Newsletter

Pete Soots, Director

We have had a wonderful start on the new year. We have sent two semi loads to Williamsburg, Kentucky and three of our trucks with furniture to Copperhill, Tn., Taylor's S.C., and Williamsburg, Ky. God is Blessing this ministry beyond belief. He is so good and He is always on time with donations of goods and finances to allow us to keep supporting the Appalachian Mountain people.

This year has been a real delight to work in the ministry since we have our building. Even when the temperature was really cold in January and first part of February we were able to keep the cold chill down to a workable temperature and could keep packing away. Our packing crew is phenomenal. They are so committed and never fail to be there to help when the help is needed. If anyone would like to join the team they can contact Phyllis Johnson at [478-396-9065](tel:478-396-9065) and she will be glad to help you.

I would like to thank everyone for your prayers during this time of radiation therapy that I am currently going through, but we serve an Awesome God and so merciful. I am on my last three weeks of treatments and everything is progressing well. Keep the prayers coming. I would also like for you to Pray for Ken Carley. Ken works tirelessly in the warehouse packing and keeping the warehouse in shape for the packers. Ken had a heart attack last Thursday and is in the Houston County Hospital. He is doing well and might get out in a couple of days. Please remember him as he is one of the key workers at the building.

We will begin to start thinking about the Back-Pack ministry shortly. Be watching for information as it is getting prepared and will be out before very long. We are working to provide more information, and help you to provide all of the items that are required in the back packs when they are shipped up to the mountains. Keep your eyes open.

We are in need of under garments and socks for children ages 3-13. That includes boys and girls. The sites have had their grants reduced by ½ in the Jellico area and most of their grants goes to purchase undergarments for the children so they are in dire need of these items. If you could purchase some please bring them by the Appalachian Ministry Packing shed behind the RBA office and we will tenderly pack them and get them up to the mountains where they can be used.

We were blessed in January to receive about 4000 lbs. of food from a wonderful couple down on the Florida border. This food was food that had been preserved to last 20 years. It was mostly staple items and we were able to receive it and put half of it on a semi the following day to go to Kentucky and the remainder went to Copperhill. The site managers at these two sites were very happy at their receipt and thankful that it was available.

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Working with a group of Servant Hearts for Our Lord and Savior.