

Sawyers Hollow

CHRISTIAN REFUGE

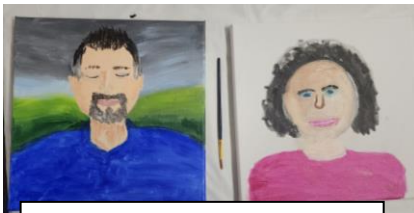
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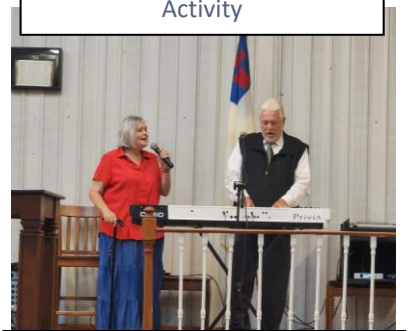
Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. *Philippians 4:6*

Prayer Requests

Riley family travels
Anja's cancer recovery journey
Building Projects
Bro Wendell & Ms. Rose's health
Tractor for property maintenance



LWYC Family Camp Painting Activity



Bro Mike & Sis Kellie Ragland



Bro Jeremy & Sis Kimberly Ragland

Dear Pastor and church,

Wow! What a month July was! The Lord was so gracious to allow us to start the month celebrating our 18th wedding anniversary!

Early in the month, we went on a "mission trip," as Bro. Mike Ragland called it, to Living Waters Youth Camp's first family camp. It was an intimate gathering of just a few families where our focus was on learning to "strengthen the things which remain."

The following Sunday, we sang at First Baptist Church in Concord, AR (Pastor Daryl Sellers) in their God and Country service. We heard Bro. Stan Grooms preach a phenomenal message on "Get in and Don't Get Out."

Then we headed to the Dyersdale Camp Meeting under the leadership of Bro Kenneth Jackson. This may have been the most unique camp meeting we've participated in because we rode out the effects of hurricane Beryl, including power outages and miraculous power restorations, considering properties just down the road waited a full week to get their power restored. The spirit of the meeting was so filling and we were blessed to witness at least one young man be born again.

Anja's Cancer Journey
But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of my head.
Psalms 3:3

Recovery from cancer and its treatments is a journey! It's one I pray I'm bringing God glory through. We have changed my post-chemo maintenance medicine a third time, hoping the side effects will be less burdensome. So far, the change seems manageable. Your continued prayers are much appreciated!!

-Anja Riley

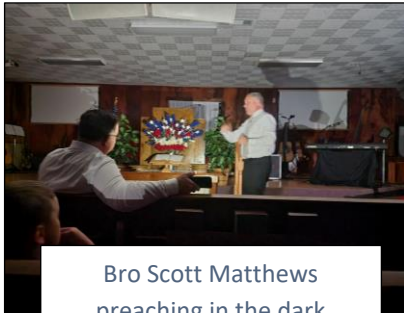
Hebrews 10:24-25

And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.



Bro Stan Grooms

While in Dyersdale, we were invited to fellowship with a family who desires to minister to people in a similar fashion as God is building at Sawyers Hollow. We spent the day with their sweet family in their home. Sunday morning, we were asked to sing and Sam preach in a church on our route home, Grace Baptist in Huntsville, TX. That evening we stopped to see Bro Shannon Crawford at God's Little Acre. There is such a sweet spirit of worship in this growing little church!



Bro Scott Matthews preaching in the dark

We got to be home for a Wednesday evening service and help that weekend with our youth fundraiser for church camp. While at home, we were invited to a little country church that hosts a service once a month, in a similar fashion to how the old circuit riding preachers would hold meetings. They have a different man each month, and Bro Sam was asked to preach in July.



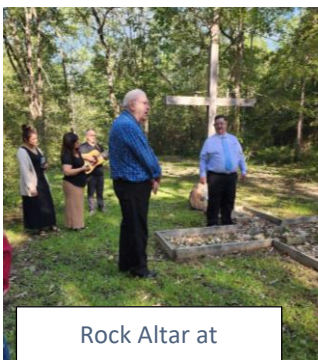
Also, while at home we worked to get the mowing caught up. Please be in prayer for Bro Wendell and Ms. Rose. He has been our grounds keeper for the past several years, but their health is failing, and he has been unable to mow like he would like.

We ended July with a quick trip to Alabama to take part in a youth meeting for Bro Daniel Peoples, then returned home for our church's youth camp at Budd Creek Baptist Camp.



~Bro Sam & Anja Riley, and crew

Dyersdale Camp Meeting featuring Hurricane Beryl



Rock Altar at Dyersdale



More church in the dark

Vision & Goals

Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.
Proverbs 29:18 KJV

Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls...
Jeremiah 6:16 KJV

Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.
Proverbs 24:27 KJV

The Lord has been so good to us and we give Him all honor and glory! By His grace and provision we will continue in the work He has called us to.

- ❖ Finish the tabernacle.
- ❖ Edify and encourage more men and women of God to continue.



Tabernacle Materials List & Estimated Cost

Lumber - \$10,000

Metal - \$8,000

Electrical - \$5,100

Plumbing - \$6,000

Sheetrock - \$1,700

Total: \$30,800

