

# More Grace Newsletter

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MORE GRACE OUTREACH

## Where we've been so far:

- *MGO sees a 39% increase in membership from starting numbers*
- *Two employees were hired as paid staff*
- *Partnerships are established with several local Churches to reach the community*
- *Several local businesses reach out to join the cause through dedicated donation*
- *Our education program celebrates its first year of graduates*

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## Celebrating One Year of Operation

Elizabeth Luffy, *Executive Director*

On July 7, 2017 a group of community volunteers rallied together, forming More Grace Outreach Community Board. A year later celebrating the 1st Anniversary, standing firm, the leadership remains convinced that God is guiding the heart of this ministry. Zechariah 4:10 states, "the Lord Rejoices to see the work begin". This small group of individuals had a simple idea to love a community in a very practical way and beyond the critics that claimed this vision would not be sustainable, the leadership jumped in to a call to the communities of Marion, Taylor, Harrison and any individual that would walk through the doors. On opening

day MGO launched a full force campaign to clothe, feed, educate and, counsel the people in our community. Year one has not be without challenges, however with each obstacle the victories become increasing rewarding. The ultimate goal for MGO is to restore one by one the hope and belief that in Jesus every individual has tremendous worth and value that was paid with the highest price... HIS Blood. So with these words MGO forges ahead in confidence and proclaim to every life it touches: You are not too dirty for Jesus to cleanse. You are not to broken that he cannot fix. You will never be out of his reach. You are not too guilty

that he will not forgive. You are not too worthless that his love won't consume your life and make you new.



## 2018 Summer Sub Sale

July saw the return of one of MGO's most popular fundraisers. Demand was high as we announced the return of the Summer Sub Sale, and volunteers and members alike sent in preorders for sandwiches. On July 28th, volunteers were hard at work in MGO's kitchen pre-

paring each order meticulously, with the total number of sandwiches ordered equaling 210. Though it was a busy morning, volunteers felt it was a successful morning when the last sandwich finally went out the door. It was a successful fundraiser as well, raising over \$1000 to

benefit the MGO food pantry for the coming months.



## Food Pantry Update

MGO would like to thank Gateway United Methodist and Resolve Contractors of Pennsylvania for supporting the food pantry in the month of July.

459 members were served in the pantry in the month of July, nearly hitting May's record of 468.

A total of 14,229 Pantry items were given away in the pantry in July, with 9,180 being food items, and 5,049 non-food items.

All work done in the MGO food pantry is due to the hand of God working through generous donors.

If you or an organization you know are interested in adopting our pantry for an upcoming month, you can let us know anytime at [moregraceoutreach.com/contact](http://moregraceoutreach.com/contact)

*“He opened eternity through the saving power of Jesus Christ...”*

## Desk of the Director

*Elizabeth Luffy*

Ephesians 3:20-21 NLT

It took me some time in my walk with the Lord to embrace the idea that through me, Jesus would reach the hearts of the lost. It began many years ago as I accepted Jesus Christ in to my heart and a transformation took place that would define my call to reach people with His love. With each passing day that has led me to this

point in my life, the call to a rescue mission of individual heart increases. The first time I witnessed to someone about Jesus my heart raced and I was confident as I stumbled over the words of how he saved me , rescued me and gave me hope that my words would fail to represent Him correctly. I recall clearly that at the end I did something very simple.. I REACHED OUT and hugged

my friend and in my arms she crumbled. It was His love through me that accomplished more than I could have hoped. He saved Leslie. In me there is no good thing, but through His mighty power at work within me, God accomplished a miracle. He opened eternity to my friend through the saving power of Jesus Christ.

## Volunteer Interview—Rose Wolfe



It's quite easy to see on your first visit to MGO that our volunteers are the best of the best. Among these is Rose Wolfe, one of our most dedicated kitchen workers. When asked what God has done in her life since starting at MGO, she claims that volunteering has “given her purpose.”

“I can see the need,” stated Rose. At the same though, Rose

said that she could see God moving through the people that enter the doors and through the friendships she has made.

Rose started volunteering at MGO with her husband Allan, who recently passed away. “Allan saw the need. Were he still around he'd still be coming out here.” stated Rose.

Though MGO and the rest of

the community miss Allan dearly, we are abundantly thankful for the commitment and generosity of Rose and those like her. Any time we are open, we get to see the love of Christ demonstrated through our volunteers. We invite you out to see for yourself.

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## ABOUT US

More Grace Outreach is a non-profit outreach center, based the heart of Taylor County, West Virginia. We service families with food, clothing, educational tutoring, counseling, and more for a fee of only \$20 a year. We operate exclusively on the basis of donation, and are always amazed at the generous heart of the Church, and the divine hand of God to keep our doors open. If you are interested in donating, volunteering, or reading more about the different ministries we offer, you can visit us at our website or at our facility directly. We would be happy to see you during our open hours, or offer you a tour by appointment.

