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We have had lots of opportunities to teach, train, and serve with different groups and churches this month. Through the monthly food outreach, to grill walks, to food packing, we've been staying busy with those opportunities.

Romans 12:1 speaks about offering your bodies as a living sacrifice as an act of worship. This can look like serving, giving up your time, your resources, and everything you have to worship Christ. Just as Abraham was willing to sacrifice his son Isaac on the altar, we should be willing to put our most prized possessions and most important part of our lives on the altar too. He did it because he had faith, and he wanted to obey God no matter what. We can learn from Abraham.

We can also learn how to offer ourselves as living sacrifices by looking at the life of Jesus. His humble sacrifice is beautifully summed up in Philippians Chapter 2. He humbled himself low, lived as a servant, didn't try to be equal with God, and sacrificed himself to the point of death on a cross. I'd say that's that ultimate example of sacrifice.

God doesn't just want our works, or our words, He wants our hearts. Our good works are worth nothing to Him if we don't give Him our whole hearts.

So, remember that the greatest act of worship you can give to your heavenly father is to place yourself on the altar as a living sacrifice.

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Paradise Garden

We put in a lot of hours working in the paradise garden this month. With everything else going on in our ministry, sometimes the upkeep of the garden overwhelms us. We are thankful for the refreshing days where we can all start our mornings off in the garden, sitting around the 80 foot cross, and then get our hands dirty as we work.

We are working towards being able to host outdoor moving nights for businesses and other communities in our garden. These movie nights will include gospel presentations as another way to spread the gospel to others. In order to prepare for that, some things needed to be setup and cleaned. We weeded every bed and walkway, re-graveled the walkways, pruned back old crops for the winter, and build and set up our 200 inch movie screen frame!

The garden has evolved into such a beautiful and peaceful place over the last 5 years alone. Be looking forward to movie nights this fall and feel free to come take a look at the garden anytime!



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Food Outreach

This month at our monthly food distribution outreach, we served about 500 people and about 19 people decided to surrender their lives to Jesus! One young lady named Angel was closed off to the conversation at first but then she felt the Holy Spirit drawing her in. So she said yes to the Holy Spirit's invitation! She surrendered her life to Jesus that day, along with her friend that was with her. That was just one powerful story out of many. There were also a few volunteers that were able to share their stories or the Gospel with people and were able to lead someone to the Lord for the first time in their lives! We are so encouraged by this and we hope that their sparks continue growing into flames that can change their communities.

We had lots of groups come help package grocery bags to take to their communities as well. Some of these were FBC Meeker, Beautiful Restoration from Perry, and the Bridge Piedmont!

Here is a testimony from Shirley with Beautiful Restoration in Perry: *"Our outreach was a big success! We had all 200 bags of groceries given out within an hour. We had three or four cars that we were not able to give to. Several other people that came through express concerns needing more groceries or having families that need groceries. Yesterday we didn't experience anyone coming to the Lord, but we were able to pray for every single car that came through even ministered to a lady that was in a domestic violence situation. That will be ongoing ministry. We are so grateful for your ministry."*



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Tellgate Grill Outreach

This month we had a grill walk with Crosspoint Church in Enid. We had about 15 volunteers and 6 salvations. The group learned a lot from the experience, and learned that they felt inexperienced in how to go deeper in the Gospel conversation. They were excited to continue doing more outreaches and getting more experience with those sometimes difficult conversations! Four of the salvations happened in the living room of one home! There was a Marshallese family playing cards on the floor and Jeremiah and Adam, a member of Crosspoint, were able to go inside the home and share the Gospel with them all. Through that, four of the adults accepted Christ! Sometimes the language barrier between us and the Marshallese community is discouraging when trying to minister the Gospel to them. But this time, it seemed that the message was made clear and God moved their hearts to salvation through His power.

Also this month, Brandon and Aaron went to Springfield, Missouri to sell a Tellgate Grill to Paul Williams, Pastor of Discipleship and Missions at Oakhill Baptist Church in Evansville, IN. Paul met Forgotten Ministries at the serve tour in Evansville. Paul explains why their church wanted to purchase a grill: *"It really encouraged us and challenged us to see them out intentionally sharing the Gospel with people in the neighborhoods of Evansville, Indiana. Many came to faith in Christ, and it encouraged some of the people at Oakhill that were a part of that to see that and want to be a part of it. And it's contagious to get out and share the love of Jesus and share the gospel with people that desperately need to hear it. We want to -*

-come alongside this ministry to help this ministry, but also to get something to bring back to Oakhill Baptist Church so we can, this next year, be very intentional about how we reach the people of Evansville, Indiana with the Gospel of Jesus."

Kristy Shrader, a long time partner and leader of a mission team that comes to Enid every year, along with some others led a Grill walk in their town. Here's what she said! *"What a great turn out for the grill walk in Jamestown, Kansas! We are already planning the next grill walk to finish getting to every house in town. Watch for the next one the beginning of November. Our experienced team members did an outstanding job training the new team members in sharing the salvation message. I love watching their spiritual sparks turn to flames as they put action to their faith. Even our youngest team member was knocking on doors wanting to get in on the fun. One group leader said he was caught by surprise. A teary-eyed lady at one house told them they were doing a great thing. She wanted to pray for them. They came to bless her and she blessed them. Thank you Forgotten Ministries for letting us use your grill for its maiden voyage in Kansas."*

Another group, from Pleasant Hill Baptist in Mount Vernon Illinois, also did a grill walk in Mt.. Vernon this month! *"We had 30 folks from Pleasant Hill giving out burgers and talking about Jesus. Had some perfect God planned appointments. Until next time!"*

And another partner, Mark and LeAnna Hall, Pastors of Comanche First Baptist in Oklahoma went out and trained a church on the grill walk. *"We had 30 folks from Pleasant Hill giving out burgers and talking about Jesus. Had some perfect God planned appointments. Until next time!"*

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