



Guyana Mission Project Update Midwest Mission Project Update



WHAT ABOUT MAYFIELD?

After the search and rescue phase of cataclysmic F4 tornadoes in Kentucky comes the long recovery and rebuild phase. Together with 2Serve, Gideon Rescue and the Kentucky Tennessee Conference, I represented AWA in a joint recovery effort focused on the Mayfield, Graves County region of Kentucky. Things were not much different around Mayfield since the destructive tornado hit on December 10th and 11th, but the crew of 20 volunteers hit the ground running and began with the work of roof and window repairs and restorations wherever possible.

With limited resources, limited time and limited volunteers, the crew could only do so much. As we have seen before God asks us to serve those he places in our paths. This time was no different. The day before my



scheduled departure, Miguel approached Jim from 2Serve while he was working at a nearby home and began to relay that no one has helped him even though many have come to assess his needs. It seemed like he was set apart or set aside. Jim and I remembered the text from Romans 10:14-15 so we decided to immediately help him despite not being part of the community plan. It became very clear that Miguel needed to know Jesus! Many of the people who continue to suffer the devastating effects of the storm need to know the love and the hope that is only found in Jesus.



Mayfield was the epicenter of destruction from the 5-state tornado. Sadly, this community does not have a Seventh-day Adventist Church. I shared my burden with the Conference VP and the Paducah Pastor. At the conclusion of my stint as a member of the recovery team, I received a call from the Paducah Pastor. One of his parishioners lives in Mayfield. After moving there, the landlord of the rental property beside their home offered to sell it to them so they purchased the property in 2019. Since the purchase, it has only been used as storage. Upon watching their pastor’s sermon online, and hearing my appeal for action, it caused them to ask, “what do I have that God can use?” They didn’t know that buying the property in 2019 was possibly part of God’s plan for a mission outpost in Mayfield. They said that the property is not in perfect condition but could be utilized for God’s purpose.

What does this mean? Where is God leading in this blessing, this mission? Please pray with us as we watch and wait for how His Spirit will lead in this area.



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Scripture of the Month

How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?

And how shall they preach, except they be sent? As it is written, how beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things!

—Romans 10:14-15

Whom Shall I Send?

Guyana, the land of many waters. AWA began its work there 17 years ago. We have a mission outpost, a hangar, a plane, and many friends. But we do not have a missionary currently assigned to this beautiful project.

God’s timing is perfect, and we are confident God has someone already selected for this awesome assignment. Please join us in praying for this special missionary whom God is calling.

Thank you for your continued partnership and love.

God bless each one of you!

Bruce & Monique Wilkerson



PRAYER REQUEST:

A family answering the Call to join AWA as a foreign land missionary in the country of Guyana; to live in the interior and minister to the people there; and care for God’s assets.