

## God is On the Move in Appalachia

Our hearts break for the conditions in Haiti, Iceland and other devastated parts of the world. But you don't need to go far to serve people living in extreme poverty. Eastern Kentucky holds some of the poorest counties in the United States, and Hebron members are rallying to support an NAMB missionary serving in one of these impoverished Appalachian areas.

God is turning this community upside down as people committed to serving others in Christ's name come together to help develop a warehouse facility into a multi-purpose mission hub for an overlooked and isolated nine-county area. Between Christmas and the end of February, twenty-eight families were burned out of their homes due to efforts to keep warm through this cold winter. The homeless families come to this "Stone Soup" mission for assistance with the most basic needs. God has responded by lighting hearts on fire for Him, both within the community and among those who came to serve.

Our missionary is also reaching out to break the cycle of poverty, drugs, incest and mistrust by using the facility as a rescue center for teens in crisis. Local civic officials are cooperating in this effort to provide a way out of a life of despair.

Representatives from Hebron and other Georgia churches have been going to Kentucky to help with construction on the facility and, on their first trip in early March, stayed for a life-changing Sunday worship service which ignited the community to request that it become a new church plant. Ten new believers were eager to return to the "Warehouse of Worship" and learn more about a life in Christ. Since that time, eight have been baptized and seven additional individuals have prayed to receive Christ.

Much work is left to be done and the needs are very great. If you wish to join God in a mighty work and really make an impact in our world, contact Tammy at [tlawwell@hebronchurch.org](mailto:tlawwell@hebronchurch.org). Hebron Ministries already participating in this project are Men's and Women's Ministries, Missions, Hebron Cut-Ups and Crochet groups and more. Watch for opportunities for your children to participate through Vacation Bible Camp this summer.

*Can I Give?* At this time, specific supply needs include plumbing supplies, washing machines and dryers, school supplies, personal hygiene products and cleaning supplies. Call ext. 240 for specific requirements.