

May 2021



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GOOD SAMARITANS!

In Luke 10, the story of the "Good" Samaritan was told in answer to the challenging question, "Who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29) In this tale we see a Samaritan who is willing to do what a righteous priest and Levite would not for a man who had been left for dead by those who had robbed him. The Samaritan treated the man's physical needs and then took him to a safe place and paid for his board and continued care. After sharing this story, Jesus said to his challenger, "You go and do likewise." (Luke 10:37)

In John 4, the second Samaritan we see is the woman at the well. She is clearly skeptical of a Jew who would interact with a Samaritan - and a woman at that! As their conversation progresses, she is more than willing to take Jesus' offer of free water - an offer she takes literally. Jesus is not put off by her desire for relief from physical thirst and hard labor, but He also doesn't shy away from addressing her real and more important spiritual need.

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WHAT CAN YOU DO?

How can you help care for your neighbors in need? We are happy to say that we anticipate opening the home in Newark on July 1, 2021. As we grow closer to that date, we will need assistance with light cleaning, painting, planting flowers, etc. If you are interested in helping, please contact Mary Dow at (614) 226-0864 or at marydow@esthersplaceofgrace.com.

Attend the 2nd Annual Drive-thru Dinner Fundraiser this Saturday, May 22! Register
<https://forms.gle/5aDp8B14rxXgDEPd6>



When:
SATURDAY, MAY 22
5PM-6PM

Where:
LIVING HOPE CHURCH
9286 YORK RD SW
PATASKALA, OH 43062

PLEASE R.S.V.P.
BY FRIDAY, MAY 21ST



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So, how do these Samaritan stories relate to the ministry of Esther's Place of Grace? We are seeking to reach out to our neighbors here in Licking County. Some of their needs are immediate and physical; some of the robberies and beatings they have endured have been emotional. Either way, we are seeking to bind up and care for those who have been injured.

Like the woman at the well, they may be most interested in physical assistance but as you help us meet these needs through praying and giving, we know that Jesus is still able to help see and meet their spiritual needs. Thank you all for your support and involvement in this ministry! We are humbled that you choose to partner with us!

CARDS FOR A CAUSE OUTCOME

In January & February, Esther's Place of Grace held the Cards for a Cause Fundraiser. There were 79 card boxes sold and many additional donations were made by our generous supporters. From this fundraiser, over \$1500 was raised towards opening the maternity home. Thank you all for your support and involvement in this ministry!

