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Exodus Updates
News and Notes from the Heart of the Ministry

Hello Shane,

## **Everything is growing in our Ministry!**

- At this time last year, our food pantry was serving 700 people a month. This year, we are serving almost 1,600 people a month.
- Our clothes closet was serving 80 people a month at this time last year and is now serving over 120 people a month this year.
- The Exodus Community Resource Center is receiving over 200 visits a month.
- Our Bible Study for the disenfranchised has increased from 20 people a week last year to over 40 people a week this year.
- We also expanded our Bible Studies in nursing homes from 1 facility to 3 facilities.

With all of our services growing, we need more volunteers and monthly donors to keep up. You can help by inviting your company, neighbors or churches to come to our next open house on June 27th from 4pm-5pm to learn more. Click the link below to sign up!



Open House Sign Up

## Southend Unity Revival Highlights

We had a wonderful turn out at our inaugural Southend Unity Revival held on May 25th.More than 300 people attended and were able to hear from a great slate of speakers and performers, as well as visit with more than 10 churches and organizations who set up booths. A huge thank you to Lonnie Harris and all the volunteers/sponsors that helped make it be a great event!



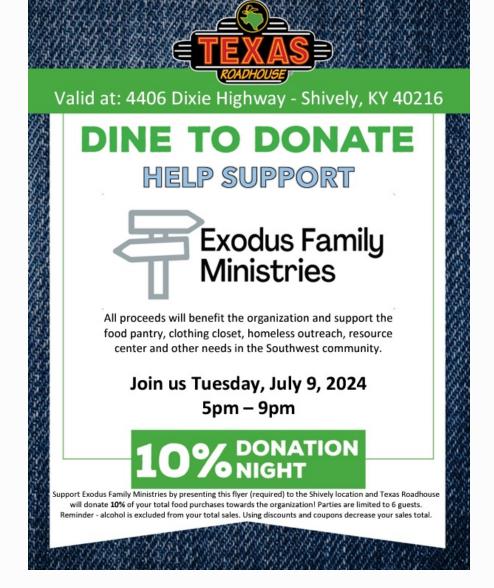
A special shoutout to the PRP fire department for coming to fill up the baptismal. They filled it with "holy water".





To see all the the photos from our event click the link

Join us on Tuesday, July 9, from 5-9pm at the Texas Roadhouse at 4406 Dixie Highway. They will donate 10% of the total food purchases made by people who show them this flyer. You can <u>print it out</u> or show it to them on your phone. Feel free to share the flyer with your friends, co-workers, neighbors, etc. The more people who eat out, the more people we can help with food, clothing, and other resources!



Warmer temperatures are here and the camps need a lot of water to keep the people hydrated and out of hospitals. Please consider donating cases of water to our ministry. You may deliver them to the Exodus Family Community Resource Center, M-W-F from 11 am to 3 pm.



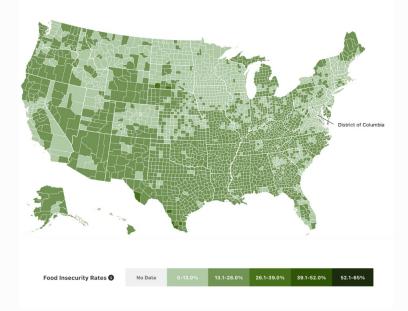


## Volunteer of the month is Mary Lou Ballard

Mary Lou Ballard serves as the volunteer team lead for our USDA Senior Commodity Box program and our general USDA Commodity Box program. These programs are based on income levels set by the US Department of Agriculture and provide extra food items for those who qualify.

Mary Lou brings her talents as a

former teacher, customer service representative, and purchasing agent to the position and helps the ministry in many other ways, such as answering phone calls and emails, and participating on our events committee. "After I retired in December 2022, I asked God to lead me into a ministry where He could best use the skills and talents that He had gifted me. Exodus Family Ministries is a mission partner of my church and in January 2023, I was led to volunteer in the food pantry. Now, I am privileged to be on the team that instituted the USDA Senior Commodity Box Program. I am grateful to God for leading me into this ministry," noted Mary Lou.



Food insecurity in the Louisville area is increasing rapidly as reported by Feeding America in their annual Map the Meal Gap study. The study shows that 167,950 Kentuckiana residents (nearly 13% of the region's population) were food insecure in 2022, which is a 33.2% increase over 2021.

Click <u>here</u> to see the WDRB.com news story that features Shane Schlatter, Exodus' executive director.

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Welcome Gary Criscillis to the Board

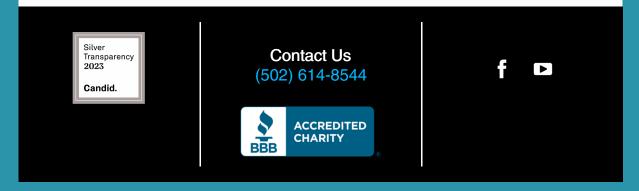
Exodus Family Ministries is excited to introduce our newest board member, Gary Criscillis, who will be serving as our new treasurer. Gary is co-founder and CFO of Vsimple, the company that developed our custom client database that helps us track all the services we provide.

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A Huge THANK YOU to our newest funding partners for their support of our programs!!

**Dare to Care**: \$3,000

Emergency Food and Shelter National: \$4,577 Kentucky Social Welfare Foundation: \$10,000



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