

S.W.A.T. **Team**

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“Providing Labor of Love for Christ-Centered Ministries”

SWAT Team Helps Get Homeless Shelter Opened

By Ernest Jessee

On May 19-20, 25 SWAT team members traveled to “Faith House of Enfield” in Enfield, NC. Faith House of Enfield, a vision given to Gloria Caudle by God, is to be a shelter for women and their children who have no home. Indeed, the vision is for Faith House to be more than a shelter. Faith House will be a house of second chances. God gives us all a second chance though the blood of Jesus, His son. Through Gloria and Faith House, women and children will be given a second chance in an earthly dimension. They will be given food, shelter, a listening ear, and friendship. Lives will be changed and re-scripted at Faith House!

The SWAT projects included painting several rooms and a stair banister and two separate construction projects. The construction projects each rivaled anything ever attempted by SWAT for a single weekend both in size and complexity.

One construction team, led by Nate Wanner and Wayne Sharpe, built a fire escape from a second story window. The second team, led by Jim Stewart was built a handicap ramp connected to the end of the front porch of the statey Faith House. Both the fire escape and the handicap ramp had to be completed to obtain the Certificate of Occupancy.

As Gloria shared her testimony with the SWAT team on Saturday, she shared that God had told her that he would work through people she had never seen to bring Faith House to reality. God has kept His promise to Gloria partly by bringing SWAT to Enfield. By 5:00 PM Saturday, numerous rooms and the stair banister were painted and both construction projects were finished! Almost all obstacles are now cleared for Gloria to acquire her certificate of occupancy. What a blessing it was for SWAT to be a part of such a wonderful miracle.

Thanks to everyone who came and worked so hard including, men, women, teenagers and children. Special thanks to Nate Wanner and Jim Stewart for the design work they did before arriving and for the incredibly accurate material lists they created for each project.

All SWAT members involved are invited back to Enfield in the very near future for the grand opening of Faith House. The exact date of this exciting event will be forthcoming.



VA Camp

The weekend of June 9-11 saw 31 SWAT Team members tackle several projects at the Virginia Nazarene Campground. This was the Team's 3rd visit to the camp. The director and manager, Mike Brown and Richard Higginson, have been busy converting the camp into a year-round retreat center. They have made significant improvements since SWAT was there in 2002.

The projects completed the installation of electrical circuits, ground fault receptacles, installation of mirrors and the painting of the girls' dorms; the construction of the roof structure on a new cabin, installation of T-111 wallboard in the tabernacle, dry-wall patching/painting in the book store, replacement of a rotten door frame and flooring in the administration building and assisting with a camp "garage sale".



Remaining 2006 SWAT Events

July: To be announced
August 11-13: Hawes Run Church of the Nazarene, Jacksonville, NC
Project: Install a new steeple on the church.
Sept: SC Nazarene Camp, Labor Day Weekend
September 26-30: Golden Bell Nazarene Camp, Colorado Springs, CO
Oct: To be announced
Nov: The Potters Wheel, Mt. Olive, NC.

Your Opportunity to Help SWAT

Whether you have had the privilege of attending a SWAT event or not, there is a way you can participate in the SWAT Team ministry. We are totally dependent upon donations to meet our administrative expenses. Any gifts that exceed these expenses go towards tools and project materials, which are needed for our national trips where host sites are unable to afford materials.

If you're able to provide a tax-deductible donation through a one-time gift or an on-going basis, it would be greatly appreciated! Make your checks payable to "SWAT Team", 1012 Cedar Knoll Dr. Wake Forest, NC 27587.

Faith House of Enfield



"Use your whole body as a tool to do what is right for the glory of God." Rom 6:13b (NLT)



Virginia Camp



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