

# Kingdom Builders Ministry

*Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed.  
Defend the orphan. Fight for the rights of widows.  
Isaiah 1:17 (NLT)*



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## Persistent Prayer Proves Plentiful

“Just how hard have you been praying!?” Jim asked Penie as he entered the kitchen after answering a phone call moments earlier.

Jadah & Paige had moved back in to My Father’s House just that month and brought with them their younger brother, Felix. Their parents had been using them to annoy each other most of 2004 taking them in and out of My Father’s House. The two years previous to that Jadah and Paige had called My Father’s House their home. Their parents’ home situation was anything but loving and caring. Many of you kept them in your prayers during this time of upheaval in their precious lives. Thank you!

Another sibling group you may remember, Deanna, Demario and Sammy, had lived with us about four years ago. KBM helped their parents build a house while the children lived with Jim & Penie in a private placement. The goal was to reunify the family after the home was built and that was what was done. Building the house did not make a fit home for the children. The only thing that progressed in the past couple years was the addition of children in need of care. We had kept in contact and continued to help the family over that past few years encouraging the parents to provide better care for the children. When it was evident that conditions weren’t going to improve, we called a social worker to check the situation out. The social worker described their living conditions as “inhumane” yet left the children there because the mother ran her off the land throwing things at her. The social worker was unable to enlist the help of the local police because of their friendship with the father and left the situation alone for more than a year. We continued to pray and have visits with the children.

After their parents’ relationship soured, neither one wanted the children. The call Jim had received was from their mother. The six children came to live at My Father’s House on June 8, 2005. Praise God!

There’s much for these children to learn. The first behavior adjustment we focused on was learning to use the bathroom. They had never even seen such a thing before coming to My Father’s House. They have never had much to eat or to care for either, so learning to sit at a table, play with toys and putting clothes away properly continues to be a struggle for all. With loving instruction, the children will learn these simple tasks along with how much God and we love them.

Demario, Joshua, Deanna, Moses, Sammy & Rambo  
With these additions the total number of children living at My Father’s House is 26, 13 boys + 13 girls, more than we had ever hoped for!



***Children are a gift from the LORD;  
they are a reward from him.***

Psalm 127:3

## Salem United Methodist YOUTH

Jim's brother, Mike Koch, and Mike's wife, Kathy, work with the youth of their church in Cincinnati. A group of 9 youth, Mike, Kathy and Dr. John came to Jamaica to serve at My Father's House and help with a couple community projects in June.

Dr. John gave all the children physicals and gave our home a clean bill of health. Praise God!

To the right you see the group tearing down Pastor Lee's former home. Fellowship of Believer's Youth built Pastor Lee and his family a new home in March. Now the family can



use the materials from the old home to build their kitchen and bathhouse.

This group from Salem UMC helped Pastor Lee move his few pieces of furniture and the materials from the porch.

To the left you see Stephanie, Pastor Lee's daughter, teaching Kelly, Pastor John's daughter, how to do laundry by hand. Kelly thought she had found a piece of shade to rest in and found more work instead!

Below you see the group with "Little Omar". Omar is in his early 20s but mentally challenged. KBM has been ministering to him for many years now. He helps Penie carry fruits and vegetables at market each week



and does odd jobs around My Father's House when needed in exchange for small pay. KBM helped him build this small house earlier in the year. Salem youth painted it with him. It's not a whole lot by the world's standards, but Omar is proud as a peacock to have his own home and it looks so nice!

Thank you Salem UMC for being fellow kingdom builders and touching our small community with God's love. You blessed each child at My Father's House with your friendship as well as Omar and Pastor Lee's family. **THANK YOU!**



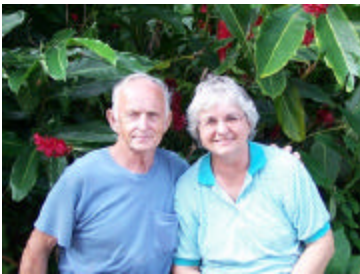
## Paramount Brethren in Christ

We have to give God thanks and praise for the wonderful people He has linked KBM up with! Paramount BIC heard about KBM from Five Forks BIC who were here a couple years ago!

We were blessed to have Paramount BIC join us here in Jamaica for a week of ministry. They ministered in a variety of ways. Far more than what's seen on this page was accomplished. Thank you Paramount for sending the workers!



To the left you see a precious servant of Christ, Bonnie. She took it upon herself to see that each of the girls at My Father's House had a scarf to wear while sleeping which will help in the chore of keeping their hair presentable. Along with Cheryl, they taught the teen girls how to care for their hair and encouraged them to continue growing spiritually by sharing their own testimonies of becoming overcomers.

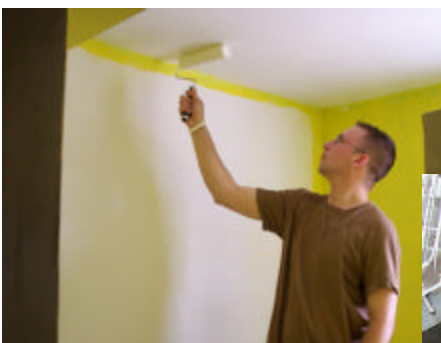


Jane and Vera attacked the mountain of laundry that had grown overwhelming due to many rainy days and a machine refusing to do its fair amount of the chore.



Above you see Pastor Jim and his wonderful wife, Jane, giving out loads of love to Jadah and Joshua.

In a week's time this wonderful couple was "Grandma & Grandpa" to a houseful of children! They also labored in love doing many odd jobs around the house.



There was continual painting, scraping and welding going on all week. We give thanks for all the faithful servants pictured here and more to be found on the web site! Thank you!



Elta knew just how to relax and enjoy herself at YS Falls. She also did a great job of playing with the children at My Father's House.

# KBM Needs YOU!

*There are many ways you can be a part of Kingdom Builders Ministry.*

- Pray for KBM
- Sponsor a Child
- Become an intern
- Give financially
- Come on a short term missions project
- Tell someone else about KBM

Find out more about all of these opportunities at [www.jaminjamaica.com](http://www.jaminjamaica.com)

## An Adventure for them / A Blessing for KBM

Interns are essential to KBM. God has blessed KBM greatly with wonderful interns through the years. We are thankful for the help God has provided so that KBM can provide quality care for our children.. We'd like you to meet the interns who have helped this summer and will be a part of Covenant Christian Academy 2005.



Jenna is from Maryland. She recently graduated from high school, plans to attend college and is thinking about serving as a missionary in the future. She served at My Father's House for the month of June getting a taste of life on the mission field at a children's home.



Chelsea recently graduated from the Univ. of Louisville in KY. She is giving 6 months of her life to KBM. She is seeking the Lord on possibly continuing in this type of ministry.



In August Teresa and her daughter, Frankie, will be joining KBM for the school year. Frankie will attend Covenant Christian Academy and Teresa will help with Kindergarten. Knowing their servants' hearts, both will

help in numerous ways not even thought of yet.



Steve is from PA. He graduated from Tyler School of Art.

He has a heart for the Jamaican people. Steve is committed to serve KBM for one year as he seeks God's will for his future.



Sherine came to us in need of a place to live in 1997! She has given

many years of service to KBM and KBM has blessed her greatly as well. She is seeking God's will for her future. Please keep her in your prayers.

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