



Meet the Family COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT: MATTHEW



Home is where the heart is. One has only to spend a few minutes talking with Matthew to know Faith Friendship is the home of his heart. Matthew was born in Kansas City but moved to Lancaster in 2009 with his family. He learned about FFM and chose to become part of our family four years ago. Matthew commented that Faith Friendship is a healing place for him. Due to his childhood battles with mental illness, Matthew describes some of his childhood as "rough," but he also has fond memories such a living in Paris, France when he was 9 and 10 years old. One of his favorite things about living in Paris was the chocolate croissants. Matthew loves his job at Stauffer's and is an avid video gamer and a huge Star Trek fan. When asked about his faith journey, Matthew states he accepted Jesus at age three, but didn't really know what that meant. "The Jesus I knew at three and the Jesus I know at thirty are very different!" Matthew's faith was deeply impacted through one particular experience. One day at work, he was talking to God, asking why God had allowed him to be born with a mental disorder. Matthew

then saw a child who was confined to a wheel chair and had severe deformities. He heard God say "Matthew, I gave you what you're dealing with because I knew you couldn't handle that." This humbled Matthew and he vowed never to let this human experience be lived in vain.

Over the past few weeks, Matthew has found himself smiling for no reason. He feels like there is something special on the way for Faith Friendship Ministries. "I feel like the future is so positive and not because we are coming into the Christmas season" he commented. Matthew feels like it is going to be a miracle Christmas. When asked what he wants for his future, Matthew replied, "I don't know what God has planned for me, but I want to reside at FFM, all warm in my bed, until the end!" Matthew thinks great things are coming and thanks to family members like Matthew, great people are already here!

From the Executive Director

Proverbs 19:17 reminds us "Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward them for what they have done." This scripture makes it clear, what you do for the least of these, you are doing unto God Himself. God's heart is to bless people but He can't bless actions that will lead to destruction, therefore He tells us to give to those who can give absolutely nothing on return and watch how He shows up!

This year has been one of saying good bye to those we love, and hello to new members of the family. We have had some lean times, followed by extraordinary blessings. The ministry was featured on WDAC, as well as in several written articles. Through it all, God was glorified and His goodness remains steadfast.

I am humbled by the kindness of so many in our community, who take their time and financial resources to care about our family members. We are entering a season Thanksgiving. My heart is full as I reflect on the kindness of people and the goodness of God. I am very thankful for your support and prayers as we carry out the good work at Faith Friendship Ministries. On behalf of our board of directors, staff and family members, Happy Holidays from our family to yours. We pray the joyful season of Thanksgiving and Christmas brings overflowing blessings to you.

Where Faith & Friendship Create a Family

Extra Ordinary Give commences November 22nd, 2019. Please consider becoming a giving partner by giving to FFM!

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Psalms 100:4

"Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name."

Did you hear our interview on WDAC? If not, you may access it by using this link ...https:// soundcloud.com/wdacfm/faith-friendship-ministries-10-26 Or check it out on our website.



Did you know that our family members meet every Wednesday evening for prayer and we pray for you?

Ephesians 1:16 " I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers."

Praíse Reports

For the new donors and consistent giving of older partners.

For the new flooring and upgraded appliances and furniture at The Villa.

For the dedicated staff that make the Villa a home for 74 residents each day.



For staff and family members to stay healthy this season.

For continued new giving partners and donations of goods and services to FFM.

Wisdom as we map out future growth for FFM.

THE EXTRA PART OF ORDINARY **NOVEMBER 22** EXTRAGIVE.ORG

Halloween Fun

Can you guess the staff member?



Being silly on Halloween

CA Might to Remember Celebrating Faith Family and Friendship

On October 10th, Faith Friendship Ministries celebrated its first annual Signature event at The Star Barn in Elizabethtown, with 154 of our new friends in attendance. The fundraising goal was surpassed however, the friend raising added the icing to the cake! A huge thank you to Mr. David Abel, the visionary of the Star Barn and our key note speaker for the evening and Lisa Landis of the WJTL, for keeping the evening going as Master of Ceremonies. The night was inspirational as we celebrated the residents we serve. Thank you to everyone who attended and to the Board of Directors for your hard work and vision in making the evening a success. Another big thank you to all the business who sponsored and donated goods to the silent auction. Save the date and mark your calendar for October 8th, 2020. The best is yet to come!



Thank you WJTL for promoting the National Day of Prayer for Mental health awareness, and Fath Friendship Ministries as the sponsor of the event.



David Abel



Dr. Barry Hart

What do you do when four pallets of donated supplies show up? Have a sorting party!! Thank you all staff for pitching in!















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New Employee Spotlight



Laura Smith Care Manager Director

"Laura comes to us from many years of being a caregiver from both Nursing and Assisted Living Homes. She is the newest Care Ministry Director and is excited about the ways the Lord is going to open doors for the family members of FFV.

"I fully believe God has placed each one of us here to serve the family members to the best of abilities. Isiah 41:9-10 says, "I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corners I called you; I said, "You are My servant; I have chosen you and have not rejected you. So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold You with My righteous right hand. I cannot wait to see how God makes His glory known through the staff and family of FFV."





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Terry Hayostek CFO

My name is Terry F. Hayostek. I started September 16, 2019 at Faith Friendship Ministry as the Chief Financial Officer. I am happily married for 24 years and have three wonderful children, but I am bias. I was born and raised in Western Pennsylvania, so I bleed black and gold for my favorite Pittsburgh based sports teams. I am a proud graduate of the University of Pittsburgh. My spiritual roots come from a lifetime of the Roman Catholic faith. It certainly is a God thing in how I ended up here. The world of being involved in the non-profit realm brings a totally different perspective. You can absolutely feel the love and passion everyone has for its family residents based on

fundamental Christian values. I am thrilled that this door of opportunity presented itself in the manner it did. In my role as the CFO I will utilize my passion and energy by using my 35 years of accounting and finance experience to help FFM provide for a more solid financial footing based on sound business principles. I am accountable to our Holy Lord and often pray for that still little voice for guidance. I hope to make a difference so I can advance the cause of our mission and values to treat all of our residents like family and as we strive to provide every resident the tools, they need to lead a successful and fulfilled life. I look forward with working with Gwen Didden, follow staff members, board of directors, finance committee team, and our residents to protect the life cycle of this organization for the greater good of all.