



I am come that they might have life, and that they may have it more abundantly,  
**I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD**  
John 10: 10, 11

*newsletter*  
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## *Love Filled Hands*

Greetings to all in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior!

I have been prompted by a message I heard in church recently by a dear brother, and it resonated with me, so I would like to share it with you in my own words although it may seem different. It was a message about hands.

The first hands that come to my mind, are the pierced hands of Jesus our Lord. When we see the picture of his pierced hands, what goes through our heart? What message do we receive?

If we through love in our hearts from Jesus, reach out to others with our hands, we give comfort, we can bring joy.

I imagine hands lifted in prayer, hands reaching for Jesus, hands reaching out to each others...

Hands given in marriage speak of commitment; the wrinkled hands of an older couple speaks of enduring love; The laying on of hands for each other brings healing; the comforting hand on a shoulder brings strength.

The picture of a child's hand clasped in an older one is so beautiful. We see waving hands, hands clasped in a handshake of greeting, or sealing a commitment. We could go on and on...

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so I will let these speak to you and tell their own messages to your heart.

Let's ask ourselves the question, "What are my hands saying?" and let's reach out to others with our hands filled with the love of God.

—Lester Fisher



*What are my hands saying?*

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# MINISTRY UPDATES

I greet you in His holy name. Sitting here watching the snow, I am reminded we are still in the winter season. The buses are traveling to and from the sunny south. It would be good being on the one headed south, but it's also good being here in the service of the Lord as we serve others.

We had a first conference for Pilgrim Hills in the state of Iowa in January. Through prayer, preparation, and the Holy Spirit, there was a good outcome.

We are currently having Marriage Transformation seminars and teaching here at the ministry as well. It is good to see couples breaking through issues in life and finding new freedom at these events.

We have also started a bible study for anyone who has interest to come.

For any of these events or activities, or to host a seminar, registration is required. We don't always advertise these events so if you have interest in any of them, please call our office and we will let you know when our next event is taking place.

As we head into spring, we have a few projects planned to accomplish for the summer and beyond! There are four more cabins planned to be remodeled for bunkhouses with the capacity for up to 80 people, making it possible to host youth bible camps and other events that will benefit community. If anyone feels led to donate materials, labor, or finances toward this project it would be an immense blessing. This is the only way we can continue to build and serve. Our desire is to see the property being used by individuals and groups to further the kingdom of God, as well as to give people a place to connect with family, friends, and churches.

May you be forever blessed,

*Until next time, Lester & Cora Fisher*

## NATURE CORNER

### IN ORDER TO BRING LIFE *You Must First Die*

There is an assignment attached to the anointing you carry. There is a purpose only you can fulfill. There are people in your realm of influence that only you can reach. But, before you can fulfill your assignment, you have to develop a character that will withstand the anointing. Things have to be produced in you before God can produce anything through you. Everything you have been through was meant to birth your assignment and refine your anointing. There was a reason for the pressing and a purpose behind the crushing. Nothing is wasted with God. If God allowed it, be assured He wants to use it for good.

But the breaking only turns to glory when you submit to the potter. God is making you into a vessel of honor, but you can't fight the molding. It's time to submit to the process. Your gifting will never outweigh your character. Your anointing will never bypass purification.

There will always be a wilderness before a release. Refining fire always comes before holy fire falls. If you are called by God in this hour, there is a threshing floor in your future. The anointing will always demand sanctification. There are people who need to hear the word God has put in your mouth. There is a lost and dying generation that needs the hope that you possess. There is a world that is saturated in darkness that needs you to be a light. There is a sin-soaked society that needs to encounter the anointing God has called you to carry...

But, in order to bring life, you must first die. In order to birth revival, you must first be revived. In order to fulfill your assignment, you must first submit to the crushing that will produce the anointing.

*-Jessica Jecker*

May this article bless you as it has blessed us!

*Love, Leroy & Anna Mae Yoder*





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## TRANSFORMING STORIES

Join us for a weekend of sharing, healing, connecting with other ladies, and a little bit of pampering, as you create the “story rope” of your life.

Friday & Saturday, May 2 & 3 2025  
Held at Mary's Place at Pilgrim Hills.

Here's what a few ladies have had to say...

*I had a great experience at Story Rope! I had no idea what to expect, but it was beyond what I had imagined. I reconnected with God and my past in a new way. Every woman needs this! -Lauretta*

*Wow, What a great experience! God revealed so much to me. I'm so excited to move on to a greater level with God, learning to sit and listen and hear what he says to me. What a time of refreshing to my spiritual life and to get pampered by those who serve. -Marlene*

TO MAKE RESERVATIONS, CALL RUTH @ 740-485-8964



**COMMUNITY for CHRIST**

**2ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
4-person team

**JUNE 14 | FIRE RIDGE**  
Saturday | 2025 | 1001 E Jackson St, Millersburg, Ohio 44654

Presented by:  
*Pilgrim Hills Mentoring*

BENEFITS & FEES	SCHEDULE
> Team Registration \$450	> Registration 7:30am
> Mulligans (per person) \$5	> Shotgun Start 8:00am
> Skins (per person) \$5	> Lunch served afterwards 1:00pm
> 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes	

to pre-register  
740.824.0179 | pilgrimhillsmentoring.com



## second annual PHM SPORTSMAN'S BANQUET

Friday, September 19th 2025

Held at the Heritage Community Center in Winesburg, Ohio

To make reservations or to sponsor a table, call our office for further details.

## PILGRIM HILLS COMMUNITY DAYS & TRAIL RIDE

Friday & Saturday, August 8 & 9 2025

Mark your calendars!

We're giving away another horse this year to our top sponsor!

Further details in next newsletter





# Valentine's Dinner PHOTOS





# Benefit Annie Oakley SHOOT PHOTOS

THANKS TO ALL WHO  
PARTICIPATED IN OUR TRAP SHOOT!



*Serving*  
**OPPORTUNITY**

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve while enjoying a little getaway? We are looking for couples to serve as weekly house-parents here at Pilgrim Hills. Duties would include cooking for guests and staff, clean-up after mealtime, and helping around the grounds during the day. Evening are totally free for you to do whatever you please. You would be provided with a fully furnished cabin for the entire week of your stay. So, if you're looking for a little something different to do, this may just be the fit for you. Call our office for more information.





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THE WORDS YOU SPEAK

*become the house you live in.*

Pilgrim Hills is a faith based mentoring facility that exists as an arm of the church, to provide healing for youth, couples and families through Jesus Christ.

Our vision is to care for the hearts of youth, couples and families with Biblically-based discipleship. Compassionately shepherding them toward healing, accountability and freedom from emotional pain through Jesus. And to restore them to their families and their Heavenly Father so they can experience the abundant life that Christ came to give to us.

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John 10: 10,11

We believe the Bible is the infallible Word of God. We teach Jesus Christ crucified, risen and coming again. To personally accept him as Lord and Saviour is the only means of salvation.

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