

Connecting the Under Resourced with the Over Stocked



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Mud Fork Church



Mud Fork Church is a community church located in rural Calhoun County, West Virginia. Calhoun County is one of the poorest Counties in West Virginia.

Mud Fork was a small church with two or three people in attendance until June of 2006 Rev. James Ashworth was led to announce a revival and made calls to some local preachers. Several of the young preachers preached their first message during this revival. Shortly after the revival ended, one of the preachers, Chris Stout, gave Rev. Ashworth a call; telling him that he felt that he was being called as Pastor of Mud Fork Church. Rev. Ashworth stated he had been waiting for his call. And so the story begins....

The numbers grew so fast that additions to the old church were no longer providing the space needed. Therefore, in December of 2008, Mud Fork broke ground for a new church. The new building would accommodate 350 people with classrooms in the basement for the kids. Currently, there are approximately 270 in attendance with an average of 68 children.



When the discussion of a building came up, one concern was...."Where will we get the money? Calhoun County is one of the poorest counties in the state." Well, GOD DID PROVIDE!! He provided us with an organization named Mountain Re-Source Center. The church was built in 4 months and had eight new, high quality windows, donated to Mountain Re-Source by Simonton Windows. We were also able to receive Owens Corning insulation for the teen sanctuary and paint Ace hardware paint for the children's classrooms, and the nursery through MRC.



Mud Fork Church was also able to obtain beautiful (through MRC) ceramic tile from Florida Tile and installation materials from Tile Partners For Humanity for the basement and classrooms. We moved into the new building in April 2008.

Through Mountain Re-Source Center, and the generous donations of several corporations, including **Tile Partners For Humanity** we were able to build a church at a cost we could afford, big enough to provide for those needing help. Since June of 2005 there has been 191 individuals come forward and their lives have changed.

Thanks again from Mud Fork Church to MRC and all who donated to our work in Appalachia.