

PRAISE REPORT

GLORYBOUND

The Little Engine That Could...



It's been a long year...

Our friend Covid has certainly taken the wind out of our sails. How about you? You doing ok? We've all been challenged in so many ways during this crazy, crazy year.

For Glorybound, like so many ministries, all the shut-downs & restrictions have been a huge hinderance to the way we serve our families. A friend calls us the "little engine that could." Because whatever the obstacle, by God's grace we press on. I think can, I think I can...**WE PRESS ON INTO OUR PURPOSE.** I know I can, I know I can...Philippians 4: 13 says "I can do all things through Christ.."

So, in the midst of the world turning topsy turvy & shutting down for months.

Everything closing even **Churches**, the **George Floyd** tragedy & the ensuing racial unrest with protests, rioting & violence, the **presidential election** drama followed by **January 6th**, not to mention the **Derek Chauvin** trial & so on & so on... So yeah it's been quite a year, to say the least.

We've all seen so much pain, heartache & despair in the lives of our loved ones & friends & neighbors. We experienced fear & sadness & grief & loss. **But**, we have also seen resilience & perseverance & faith & joy and that gives us hope for the future. 🕊

On a personal note, I have been dealing with some life-altering health issues (not covid) that have landed me in the hospital, not once but twice. We

decided that HCMC is my winter retreat as I have spent the last 3 Januarys hanging out there! But the Great Physician, keeps putting me back together because I still have work to get done. Last week, my pastor,

(**Matthew St. John**), said "to pick up the cross is a one way endeavor. You can't put it down." 1 Samuel 15 says, "to obey is better than sacrifice." So whatever the challenge we press on...**Jesus** did...

Rev. John did...so will I. We have cancelled **2 banquets**, but we press on & trust God. We are not discouraged. We have stayed connected to families via email, facetime, phone conferences, zoom, etc...

all the things. We will begin having in-person gatherings again this June, with special activities for the children. Our annual **Rev. John Thomas Golf Tournament** will be held on

July 30, 2021 @ Oak Glen Golf Course.

So, like so many others in ministry we are learning to pivot and keep walking as the Holy Spirit gently pushes us forward as we attempt to fulfill our purpose & accomplish this important work God has entrusted to us.

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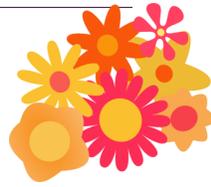
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WHERE HAVE ALL THE FLOWERS GONE...



For 24 years, hundreds of families have come through the doors @ Glorybound! It hasn't always been easy and we've seen many upsets, but, oh what sweet victories...!



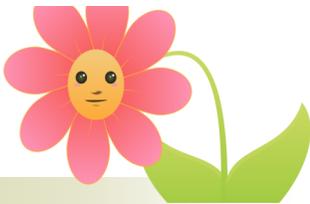
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HOME OF THE MODERN DAY MIRACLE

But we all with open face, beholding as in a glass, the But we all with open face, beholding as in a glass, the glory of the Lord, are transformed into His image, from Glory to Glory even as by the spirit of the Lord.”

2 Corinthians 3: 18

Coming soon...



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