



Nailbenders for Jesus

A CONSTRUCTION MISSION

Nailbenders for Jesus is a construction mission group made up of volunteers from Arkansas and neighboring states that helps small-to medium-sized congregations with new construction projects and additions, such as sanctuaries, educational facilities, fellowship halls, etc. The membership consists of men and women who believe they have been called by God to further His Kingdom through this type of home missions.

Because of increasing age and declining health of the membership, Nailbenders is in need of new volunteers! No construction experience is required – only a desire to serve. As a result, many have experienced what is one of the greatest blessings one can experience in life – serving God by serving others. Those who help quickly realize what a blessing it is to use their hands for the local community.

The group is scheduled to help churches several times a year in the spring and fall months for 12 working days per job. Available volunteers provide their own housing, breakfasts, dinners, and snacks with the local church providing lunch for each workday. The majority of Nailbenders have travel trailers; and the churches served provide parking with water, electricity, and sewer connections. Another option sometimes used by those without an RV is to stay in a local motel or bed and breakfast. Projects are filled with hard work, worship, and fellowship.

All the tools required for construction are provided, but volunteers are asked to bring a tool belt and hammer for personal use. Experienced men will lead new recruits, not only in work detail, but also regarding safety measures. Volunteers are welcome to help for a few days or for the entire job.

The Nailbenders wives are known as the "Grannies on the Go." While women are more than welcome to help with the work, most choose to participate in local community outreach. Along with a daily devotional and prayer time, the wives visit area nursing homes; visit the host church's homebound members; work in local soup kitchens, food pantries, and clothes closets; prayer walk; and distribute church information on the community. The Grannies also have a sewing ministry, making lap robes, bibs, walker caddies, neck pillows, etc. for nursing home residents and the homebound. And, of course, they always find time to enhance the local economy with shopping or play a game of Mexican Train Dominoes!

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2016 Fall Schedule

September 8 – 23: Varner River Baptist Church in Kennett, Missouri

October 6 -21: location to be announced soon

November 3 – 18: location to be announced soon