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A Barnabas Project distribution takes a lot of prayer, planning, and participation. David Patten, pictured with me above, directs the Barnabas Project. We began Barnabas in 2003 and have honed it over the years. Being more efficient at the details of this large project from our side of it enables us to direct our attention more to the needs of the people to whom we minister.

Our last distribution was held at Faith Chapel in Coral Springs, Florida. Pastor Ken McLymont, heading up the distribution site, had the responsibility of making the site ready with a sufficient number of tables, workers, and a plan on his end. MCM provides a flyer announcing the distribution, but the distribution site has the responsibility of advertising the event. Faith Chapel did a great job, so they had a good turn-out.



Pastor Ken McLymont (second from left)
 Pastor Jim Craig (far right)



Making a difference
 in people's lives

We come with a Budget Rental Truck filled front to back, top to bottom. It's usually a surprise to those hosting the site; they don't expect so much "stuff" showing up! MCM had 14 on its team this time and Faith Chapel also provided many workers for the day. Everyone of these helpers is necessary, believe me.

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Everyone pitches in to make the event successful. It can get a little frenetic, but there's also time to chat, make new friends, and make a child's day.



The Barnabas Box is given to a selected family. The gospel is given out as well. Child Evangelism Fellowship, Lighthouse chapter, provides gospel materials for all the children. People are praying for one another.

God often does big things in small ways. One young man, Michael, began talking with someone on our team, Kroy. Michael had come randomly (or by divine appointment) to the distribution, thinking maybe he might help. The conversation with Kroy led to further discussion out in the parking lot (where it was quieter). I joined the conversation and soon we were into the gospel. We greatly appreciated Michael's honesty and attentiveness. Michael prayed to receive Christ and then, coming back inside, gave witness to what God was doing in his life. Pastor Ken and others joined in. Soon more people heard the gospel, and their hearts were touched. And so it goes.

Members of our Craighouse worship team joined up with some of the Faith Chapel worship team during the distribution. The air was electric at times with the presence of the Lord.



The Barnabas Project is a demonstration of the free grace of God. Our purpose is to glorify God by displaying His goodness and graciousness to all. We seek to minister to Jesus by serving His people, many of whom are the forgotten people of South Florida. We advance the Christian faith through representation and recommendation, giving help to those in need and offering encouragement and hope. We share the love of God and the truth of Jesus Christ and seek the empowerment of others by inspiring them with courage and confidence to fulfill their God-given purpose.



The Barnabas Project is about blessing others. We hope you will remember and also participate. Our next distribution will be the first Saturday in December. You can go to www.marycraig.org and then to the Barnabas section for more.

To the fourteen from Craighouse who helped June 4th, to all who prayed, planned, and participated through your giving, a big



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