

## Pray brings a little bit of Christmas to Iraq and Afganistan

*Soldiers get much needed supplies – things we take for granted.*



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During the Christmas rush the staff at Pray realized that our US service men and women can't enjoy some of the basic items we take for granted every day. So they decided to gather up items to send to them for Christmas. Items ranging from razors to magazines – socks to candy were packaged for delivery.

In total 9 large boxes were sent out to active duty military personnel in Iraq and Afghanistan. The selection process was done by choosing military bases closest to West Virginia. One base in particular was selected due to the fact that it is comprised primarily of women.

At Pray Construction, we realize that gift boxes of the basic essentials pale in comparison to what our US service personnel give us in return. We cannot put a price on their dedication, commitment, and sacrifice.

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## Constructing Green

*New recycling options embraced by Pray Construction*



Constructing green, or building with environmental impact in mind, isn't a new concept, but for many construction projects it has been just that – a concept. Many say building green takes a whole lot of green, (dollars that is) but when Pray Construction and CASCI saw an opportunity to recycle they were ready to handle the task. During the renovation of the CASCI building in Charleston, Pray and CASCI teamed up with Architectural Interior Products to recycle the old ceiling tiles that were removed during this renovation project.

**This was the first project of its' kind in West Virginia.**

Almost 100,000 square feet of tiles were to come out of the building and the normal process would have been to truck those to the local landfill where they would become over 70,000 lbs of landfill waste.

Instead of becoming landfill waste, the tiles will be given a second life as new ceiling tiles thanks to the recycling process of Armstrong World Industries. Armstrong has recycled over 40,000,000 square feet of tiles since it introduced this program in 1999. Pray Construction embraced this option as a way to not only help the environment, but to leave less of a footprint on the lands of West Virginia. Less waste going into a West Virginia landfill means a cleaner West Virginia.

Pray continues to be green with the on going donations of leftover material to ReStore, the local Habitat for Humanity's building material resell shop. Not only does it keep leftover building material out of the local landfills, it provides material or revenue for local building projects of Habitat for Humanity.

**Pray Construction is continually seeking opportunities to "go green" with new construction and applauds their clients, such as the new HospiceCare Administrative Offices, who seek to incorporate green design elements in their projects.**

Pray asks that you do your part in leaving less of a footprint on this wonderful state. Support companies that are taking the steps to be more environmentally conscious.



Ken Saunders, Superintendent with Pray Construction and his crew stack ceiling tiles for recycling.

## Pray Construction and Silling Associates wrapping up two major building projects

### Bible Center Church – Southridge Campus



The first service in the new sanctuary for Bible Center Church will be held on March 16th, 2008, Palm Sunday. The project was completed as scheduled, February 14th, 2008, and features a large fireplace in the lobby, welcoming you in for a cup of coffee and fellowship. Watch for an extensive review in the next Pray Construction newsletter. Pray Construction was honored to be selected as the construction manager for this magnificent project.



### Chesapeake Energy – Jane Lew Field Office



Pray Construction began work on the first Chesapeake Field Office last July, 2007. This project site incorporates three separate buildings with unique and modern architectural forms which are all visible from Interstate 79. The completion date is set for March 6th, 2008. Pray is excited that the relationship with Chesapeake Energy grows stronger and stronger with each project.

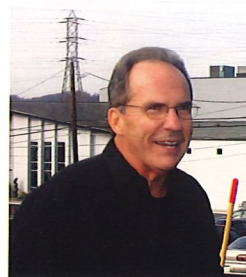


Visit [www.prayconstruction.com](http://www.prayconstruction.com) for details and photos of both projects.

## A Pastor's dream of community outreach becomes reality

### Pray Construction returns to

#### Maranatha Fellowship for new project



his life forever. The local church in his home town was constructing a new building. This building had a basketball gym. In order for the kids in the community to play basketball in that new facility, they had to attend Sunday School.

Maranatha and Pray teamed up once again in order to bring Pastor Wright's dream to fruition. The new Family Life Center offers a full size basketball gym, volleyball court, fitness



center, and classrooms with a full size kitchen. The facility will hold up to 700 for dinner.

The gymnasium is the second project with Maranatha Fellowship. The first was the expansion of their Youth Worship Center.

"It is great to be working with Pray and Adkins Design again," said Pastor Wright, "our experiences from before, led us once again to determine they are the best team for our project."



## Pray keeps it in the Safe Zone

### 2007 accident free on all job sites

It is no accident that Pray Construction had a clean safety record for 2007 since safety is their number one concern.

**Through the implementation of the Zero Accident Performance process, Pray has managed to work 105,590 man hours in 2007 with ZERO accidents!**

Through the direction and policies of Pray's safety director, John Casey, and the dedication and commitment of every employee and sub-contractor the following programs were developed and adhered to with great success:

- Execution of over 265 site safety audits (conducted by WVDOL, K&L Safety and Pray Construction)
- Partnership with SafetyInsider.com for a Continuing

Safety Education Program for all employees.

- Offering of CPR & First Aid Courses to all Employees (required by all field foremen and superintendents)
- Implementation of a Zero Tolerance for OSHA serious violations

Pray is dedicated to the safety and well-being of its employees and sub-contractors. With the continued commitment and dedication of everyone at Pray Construction, we look forward to a safe 2008.



## HospiceCare to break ground in April 2008



In November of 2007, HospiceCare of the Kanawha Valley selected Pray Construction to build their new facility that is to be located at 1601 Kanawha Boulevard West in Charleston.

Due to increased demands for Hospice care programs throughout the Kanawha Valley over the past five years, HospiceCare needed to expand their service capacity. "In a five year period, HospiceCare has doubled the number of patients it cares for on a daily basis," said HospiceCare Executive Director Larry Roberston. This new facility will provide the operating space they need and offer additional expansion of patient services.

With the ground breaking scheduled for April, 2008, Pray and Bastian and Harris are doing what they do best - utilizing the Design-Build methodology which allows designing and construction to proceed simultaneously. Design-Build offers faster production times and less expensive construction costs and ensures experience and detail oriented labor and design.

## PRAY Employee Spotlight:

Shirley Adkins joined the Pray Construction team as Project Engineer in the spring of 2007. She is a graduate of West Virginia University Tech with a degree in Civil Engineering. Shirley has spent the last year developing her skills by working with her colleagues at Pray on the new Chesapeake Energy Field Office located in Jane Lew.

She was a CAWV Scholarship Recipient in 2005, and in her spare time, enjoys landscaping, golf, intramural sports and spending time with her family.

