

## 2021 Expo in East Tennessee is 55<sup>th</sup> in Access-Life's History

These past two years have been full of challenges and uncertainty but God has been so faithful to us and Access-Life every step of the way. He has been true to His promises and provided everything we need. Not only did He make a way for us to hold all four of our ministry Expos last year but we are two for two this year with number three, the North Texas Expo coming up quickly on September 11, 2021!



Overall, the biggest number for Access-Life Expos so far is 55. That's right, at this year's East Tennessee Expo on June 26, 2021 we hit "double nickels" – our 55<sup>th</sup> Expo since the ministry started way back in 2010. In fact, the East Tennessee Expo was the second outreach we ever held as a stand alone ministry. Since that first East Tennessee Expo held on a Sunday afternoon in August of 2010, we have seen a lot of changes, people come and go and even a new sight at the lake in Jefferson City! However, one thing that has never changed is God's faithful hand and presence at work in plain sight and behind the scenes to touch the lives of those who have served, been served and all blessed by Him in a special way that only He knows and can do. He has brought new volunteers when others had to bow out due to a change in season and He has equipped and strengthened those faithful saints who have served every year.

Through it all He has ministered to not only people living with disabilities but given rest to weary parents and caregivers and new friends to siblings often feeling left out.

As we look back we see so many rewards, so much refreshment and so much community built in the rural hills of Tennessee and this year's event was filled with just as many miracles, hearts willing to serve and participants filled with joy that only comes from the Lord. It was a unique event for sure as is each Expo but it was so amazing to see God move in the hearts and minds of His people to make sure a little piece of heaven was brought to our little piece of earth that day by the lake.



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