



Grace Place Ministries, Inc.

Ordinary People Serving an Extraordinary God

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The "ONE"

Our 2024 Christmas Child Outreach Program was so amazing this year! The Lord blessed us with the most beautiful weather and so many loving and compassionate volunteers came to help! Through the incredible donations from our community, 752 precious children were given Christmas gifts!!!

This newsletter, I was hoping to share a story of just "ONE" of the many families. We met a mother and her 5 children the week before the party. Her husband had recently left them and when she could no longer pay the mortgage on their mobile home, it was repossessed. She had tried to get their belongings from the home, but it had already been relocated several states away. Therefore, she came to us with nothing other than the clothes on their backs and the minivan the family was now living in. We see families like this with similar stories throughout the year, but it's always much more difficult during the cold months and during the holiday seasons especially.

The Clothes Closet was able to bless them that day with an abundance of clothing, socks, shoes, and hygiene products. We also gave them a large box of food that didn't require cooking. We prayed with them, loved them, and encouraged the mother to bring the children to our Christmas party the next day!

We were so excited to see them all on Saturday at the party! Several volunteers remembered them from the clothes closet, so they showered them with extra snacks, toys, winter hats, and made sure each of them received a very thick blanket, including Mom! We prayed over them again at length and hoped we would see them again soon.

To our surprise, the mother came back after the party was over. Her face was swollen and red. Alarmed, we asked her if everything was okay? She could barely speak through her tears, but she explained as the smaller children were opening their gifts in the back of the van, squealing with excitement, the youngest child shouted, "Mom, you said we weren't going to have Christmas this year, BUT WE DID!"

Overcome with emotions, she said she wanted to drive back to Grace Place to let us know what the love from so many people meant to their family during this difficult time!

At first, I shared this story with Rhonda Grace, and she reminded me that our loving Father would have orchestrated that entire day for that "ONE" family! Thank you for letting me share this story with you as well. We never know how our actions, or our words, will affect someone else. We see hundreds of people daily at Grace Place. We try to make a difference in the lives of so many, but I pray daily for the Lord to show each of us the "ONE".

Lord, please give us the eyes to see and the ears to hear when someone is hurting...whether it be a family member, a co-worker, or a complete stranger....Lord, please show us the "ONE" every single day that we can be a light to, make a difference in their life, and ultimately to share your LOVE with them!

Happy New Year! Thank you for all your donations and your prayers that allow us to help so many people, and we pray for God's abundant blessings in your life!

Love, Misty Loe, Director

A Look Back on 2024

52,691

People Fed

38,186 Hot Meals
14,505 Food Boxes

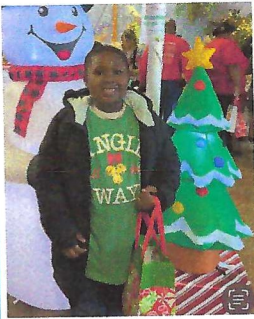
Approximately

4,000

helped through
donations to our
Clothes Closet

752

Children blessed
During Christmas
Child Outreach



Thank you to all who donated, served and prayed for us in 2024 !!
It's through you that we are able to make a difference in the lives
of the people whom we serve!!

Helping one person might not
change the whole world,
but it could change the world
for one person.



Our Current Needs:

- Winter Beanie Hats
- Cold Weather Gloves
- Warm Blankets
- Electric Heaters
- Bibles
- Socks
- Finances



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