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DIRECTOR'S NOTES



~ Christmas 2024 ~



“How Can We Help?”

Dear Supporters and Friends,

As we prepare for the Christmas season, I want to thank all of you for your prayers and support.

Because of your care and compassion, Thanksgiving was made special for many needy families. We were able to feed over 1,500 meals during the holiday week and gave away over 100 food bags and many turkeys to the families with the greatest needs.

In the past couple of years, our on-site feeding program has been serving increasing numbers of people. When we recently re-calculated the number of meals served, we discovered that we are now serving over 7,000 meals a month. We want to thank everyone who helps us to feed the hungry!

Now, for our Christmas plans.....We plan two major meals at the mission December 24th & 25th. We will also be giving food bags and turkeys or hams to the families in our area with the greatest need. We also plan to prepare Christmas boxes for all our residents at the mission. That number is estimated to be at least 40. We also are helping Albany's most needy families with children to have a Merry Christmas. We also need help with toys for girls & boys age 3 to teens. Without your help and support, we would not be able to supply these needs.

“How can you help?” We need more non-perishable food items. Also, as you make your year-end donations, please keep us in mind. This is the time when we must raise enough funds to carry the ministry through the holidays and into next year.

We will send you a year-end receipt by the end of January 2024 for your monetary tax-deductible donations. We cannot outgive the Lord. He has blessed us in order to care for those people who are less fortunate and also to show them how much God loves them. It is our responsibility to show them the true meaning of Christmas. God's greatest gift, His only begotten Son, came to give life – eternal life. We pray you have trusted the Lord for your salvation. Thank you.

May the Lord bless you and your family as we serve Him.

Saved to serve,
Founder / Director

Bro. Larry Hample

REACHING THE LEAST, THE LAST, THE LOST



For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:11

~ Sharing Comfort & Joy ~
Christmas Food Bags for those in need

You can help feed the hungry! . . . Just purchase the items on the list below, fill a grocery bag, and give it to the Mission. We'll distribute the food to those in need. To participate and obtain materials, or to arrange for a pick-up, please contact us at (229) 435-7615.

Please deliver food bags to the Albany Rescue Mission Office at 604 N. Monroe St., Albany, GA by Monday, December 20th, 2024.

- 4 cans of vegetables
4 cans of meat (tuna, beans, chili, etc.)
4 cans of fruit
4 cans of soup
1 package of pasta, rice, etc.
1 package of dry beans
1 package of cereal or grits
1 box of crackers
1 jar of peanut butter
1 jar of jelly or jam
1 bar of soap

Christmas gift boxes for residents

We are collecting items for our resident Christmas gifts. Items such as new underwear sweatshirts, flannel shirts, warm socks, hats, gloves, and hygiene items would be greatly appreciated. If you have items that you would like to donate, please drop them by our office at 604 N. Monroe St., Albany, GA or call (229) 435-7615 to arrange for a pick-up.



MISSION OUTREACH RESULTS FOR OCTOBER 2021
Individual Cases: Emergency Aid (224), Emergency Food Bags (62), Misc. Donations (189)
Professions of Faith in Christ: Mid-Day Chapel Service (19), Men's Program Division (4), Women's Program Division (N/A)
Free Clothing: Hundreds of individual pieces. Over 7,000 meals served. Over 80,000 lbs of reclaimed food distributed throughout the community

* DONATION RECEIPTS UPDATE*

Dear Friends, We preparing to mail out receipts for your gifts dated in September & October. We plan to mail out end of year receipts for 2024 by the end of January. Thank you for your generosity and your patience!

The pieces of this newsletter mailing were designed using Microsoft products.



We'd like to offer a special "thank you" to all who helped feed the hungry with your gifts of time, food and funds!



We serve 2 meals a day, 7 days a week . . . to anyone who comes.

That's nearly 7,000 meals a month these days!
50 Thanksgiving Turkey dinners given to families in need!!!



MISSION FOOD DRIVE

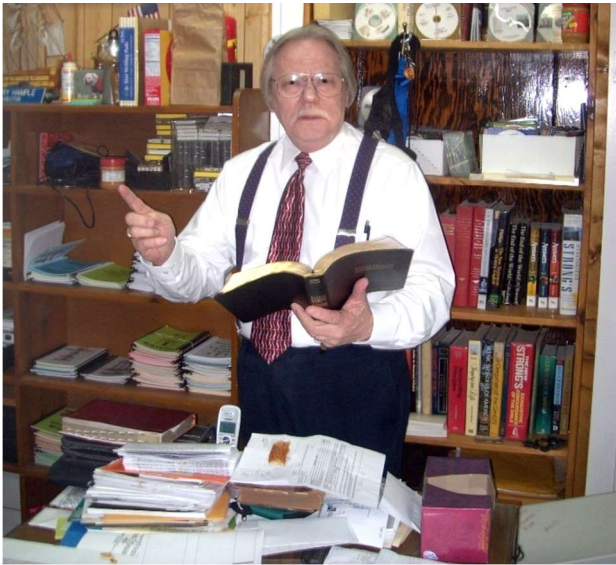


We Thank You – Thank You to all the Churches, School Groups and Businesses for your participation in our annual can food drive.



Dear Friends and Family

Please keep Brother Larry in your prayers. For the last few months his health has gone downhill. His balance is off, and he has fevers off and on. His neck has not healed from the surgery like he had hoped. He is in constant pain and the only relief he gets is when he lays down. Even ^{through} all of this he is still actively involved with the mission and preaches at least three days a week. God is so good and we pray for healing and many more years here doing God's work



We Want to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year this Holiday Season. Your gifts & generosity has allowed us the privilege of blessing so many people this year and with your support we are encouragingly looking forward to 2024.

As our South Ga weather changes and the temperatures begin to drop, we will see an increase of people needing hot meals, seeking shelter, and jackets or warm clothing, blankets and sleeping bags. With this increase comes the opportunity to reach more people for Christ, sharing His love and message with those who may have never heard the gospel, or experienced His goodness and mercy.

The greatest gift of all has been given unto man in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ, and it is our hope to share Him with those who come to the mission in their moment of desperation. We have seen lives changed this past year and for that we praise God and thank Him for allowing us the opportunity to serve Him through your giving and support. We are most thankful for each and every donation that allows us to share our blessed hope with those in their time of despair.

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*Thank you for supporting
the ministry!*



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