



Nickels and Dimes Newsletter

FALL 2017

Letter from the Director

Praising God for each of you! This is the best way to start this letter to you this year. We have all had so many trials this year. As a staff we have faced multiple losses within our families, from deaths to job losses, as well as, being faced with the loss of our database provider. Our loved ones are in Heaven and rejoicing, some of the job losses have been restored but still need prayer for some and the new database provider has done an amazing job of getting us converted and running more efficiently. We know that we would not have had the strength to keep going if we had not had your prayer support for us all, and again we say Praise God for you.

We desire to "Run with Endurance", having a passion for this community that God has placed us in we look forward to what lies ahead, knowing that our purpose is to help His people.

Our numbers here have continued to grow and we are hitting around 130+ each month. We have around 70 families that are in our Senior Citizen's or Disability Program now. As many of you know the rising cost for helping these families is huge. Many of our Senior Citizens are making decisions to buy medicine or pay a bill. We are thrilled to have this time to love on and care for them in so many ways. We have been able to faithfully provide two weeks of groceries for each of them as well as provide financial support to help pay for medicine or utility assistance for them.

We will now push to work on the Thrift Store expansion to help provide more space for the many donations and better parking for our customers and donors. We will also need to look at some other alternatives to provide additional financial resources to keep up the pace of such large numbers of families in need. Because of the growth we went ahead

and set up our programs for the Senior Citizen's and Disability clients to our two separate offices here in Red Oak and Ferris, in order to accommodate the groups as they come in. We really are in need of more teachers, and more volunteers on a daily basis, so if you are looking for a fun place to come and help out please go onto our website and pull the volunteer application and send it in so we can get you registered to help us out.

Every year at this time we offer you all an opportunity to make a donation in Memory of, or in Honor of someone and we mail out Christmas Cards to them or their loved ones on your behalf. These funds are a major source of how our client services is funded for the next year, we have more general funding needs as well this year if you feel led in that direction. Thank you for your continued support in giving, prayers and dropping off of food, and all the donation items for the Thrift Store as well.

Denise Butler

Executive Director



OH HOLY NIGHT!

Greetings from Client Assistance

By Belinda Perez

We were so excited to start serving our Senior Citizens and Disability Clients from the two different offices this year. This allows more of our volunteers to help out on these days as well, including additional speakers for the two locations which allows for us to address different situations that many of these families are dealing with.

We have been able to adopt out all of our Senior Citizens for Christmas this year again and we have been working with area churches and businesses to take care of the children as well. If you are looking to adopt a child for Christmas the remaining names will be located inside of Prosperity Bank in Red Oak.

We were able to pack up 80 meal boxes for Thanksgiving this year and will be looking to packing up around 100 Christmas boxes as well. If you have an extra Turkey or Ham that we could distribute for Christmas we would love to be able to give those out.

Many families were assisted through our classes this year and we are so very grateful to our teachers for helping us with this as many of the families are blessed with the knowledge learned through these classes. Parenting, Marriage, Budget, Life, Money and Hope, Parental Rights, Nutrition, Guarding your gifts and Computer Skills were all offered this year and we have hope to bring in some new classes this next year as well.

Thank you all for allowing us the privilege to serve in this community in such a magnificent way! We appreciate all of you for keeping the food drives coming, for the numerous hours given in volunteer work which allows us to keep going, but more than that for all the prayers.

Sincerely,
Belinda Perez





Thrift Store Happenings

By Teri Blackburn

We love our customers in PFH! It is so fun to get to visit with you all and get to know your families as well. Do you know that this year in rounding up your sales in the Thrift Store almost \$1100 additional dollars in donation were made!

Did you know that we love that you choose to shop at our store! Don't forget to look at our Pennies from Heaven Facebook page to discover all of our new bargains daily as well as some special Fun Fact Friday tips for our loyal customers.

Thank You!

Faithful warriors who keep all our little honey do jobs done, who come rescue us when donations are heavy, you have worked hard to do those not so fun jobs that keep piling up, you have lifted and hauled heavy items, cleaned out the gutters and shopped for us. We Love you much!

Opportunity to Give

Please use this donation for

Food Pantry _____ Client Assistance _____ General _____

Building Program _____ Ferris Satellite Office _____

I would like you to mail a Christmas card to

In honor of _____ or

In Memory of _____



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