



PRAISE REPORT OFFERING HOPE IN UNSETTLING TIMES

Due to challenges we all face during this time, our ministry had to make operational changes. In response to the President's and Governor's request for social distancing, we closed the Community Center to the public. In an effort to not completely stop serving the homeless, we decided to offer a lunch meal every day. Not knowing how we would get the needed supplies, we surrendered to GOD, trusting that he would provide. Almost immediately, we were overwhelmed with the spirit of others' generosity!! Within hours we were given 300 sack lunches. The next day we had CAVA restaurant contact us, offering to donate 225 meals, so they could keep their employees working through this time! Kneader's Bakery in Parker began daily donating their leftover bread and pastries for a hot meal. Einstein Bagels provided donations of their leftover bagels. Rock Church donated taco casseroles for a hot meal on Sunday! In addition, we have had strangers provide groceries and cash donations!

Due to this generosity, we have been able to share over 750 meals, provide hand washing stations, bottles of water, hygiene packs and cards with encouragement and scriptures! We also created packets with information about the virus, what to do to prevent it spreading, and a list of places and services which were staying open.

Through this process, our eyes were opened again to the realities of homelessness. It is difficult to imagine being homeless during this time, where the places that are your only resources, places to go to the bathroom and wash, or eat; all closed in one day! Agencies similar to Movement 5280, Refuge City Ministries and Lost and Found Church, were all closing around us. For how long, we do not know!!!! Libraries, where the homeless can charge their phones, get information, use the restroom, and just hangout to stay warm, have all closed! Food resources have become scarce or nonexistent.

Recognizing that these are unsettling times for the homeless community, low income families and the elderly; we have been able to share hope and meet the physical needs of our community! Our hope is rooted in our faith in Jesus. We have seen first hand that, "every good and perfect gift is from above.: (James 1:17).

We ask for your prayers and financial support during these challenging times.

Thanks and GOD bless,
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