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Congratulations to our long time volunteer and supporter, John Taylor. John recently celebrated his 90th birthday! He and his wife, Helen, have been involved with our ministry for many years.

He was known as our "Mr. Fix-It" at our old place and when we moved to the present building, we had plenty for him to do as we got ready to reopen. Whether climbing up into the rafters to replace lighting, fixing doors, rewiring outlets, or repairing a broken chair, John is always ready to help. Now, one of his main projects is making sure we have a supply of Gospel tracts to give to people. John models for us that people can give back to others at any age.

Happy Birthday, John, and thanks for all your work for Operation Blessing.

Our roof is completed! It has been a long time coming, but it is finished. Thank you to Durable



Roofing of Alsip for your help and understanding with this process.

That being said, we have a sizable payment due. If you are in a position to help with this additional cost, you may make a donation via check with "roof" written in the memo line, or you may donate through our website, [www.opblessing.org](http://www.opblessing.org). Again just mark "roof" when donating and the donations will be used for this purpose.

Thank you all. God bless you and keep you.

Due to the ongoing Covid situation, we will continue to wave our boundaries and will accept anyone who comes to us that needs food.

This will continue as long as we can support the increased cost of food.

Thank you to all of our partners. 2021 was not an easy year to navigate, but with all of your continued support, we definitely made a difference in our community.

We look forward to traversing what 2022 has in store for us with you.

Terry Wuethrich, President; Hank Frickenstein, Vice President; Brian Cottrell, Operations Manager; Mike Will, Secretary; Marsha Jakobi, Treasurer; Barry Zalane, Board Member at Large

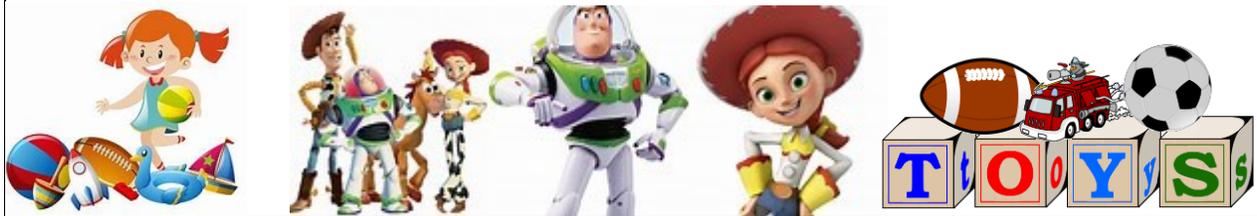
## Annual Christmas Toy Day

The Holidays come and go so quickly. It's hard to believe it's been almost a month since our annual Christmas Toy Day when parents come to pick out toys to bring home for the big day. This year, we were blessed with many donations so our parents had many choices. In fact, we were able to offer each family several toys for each child. Since we were so blessed, they were blessed!

One single mom started crying since had just gotten divorced and would have to be moving out of her home. There would be no Christmas. Now she had gifts, and even a bike to give her children.

Although the number of families who came this year was less than previous years, we still were able to provide presents for about a 135 children.

Thank you to all our donors for all the wonderful toys/gifts, and to our volunteers who helped make the day special for the parents that came.



Thank you to Jewel Oak Forest for your continued support.

We are excited to see our partnership grow in 2022.

Thank you to Eric and Terry with Jewel Orland Park for your generosity during the Christmas season

God bless you.

### November Statistics

Heads of House-holds	498
Individuals	1504
Professions of Faith	0
New clients	62
Prayed with	462

### December Statistics

Heads of Households	468
Individuals	1498
Professions of Faith	0
New clients	48
Prayed with	373

### 2021 Statistics

Heads of House-holds	4013
Individuals	16,109
Professions of Faith	34
New clients	385
Prayed with	2767