

We wanted to let you know of some additional giving opportunities some of our members are involved in during this holiday season:

Kids Loving Kids – New or slightly used toys/gifts are being collected by Meek Baptist for newborns to 18 years of age-. Clothes are not needed since they also have a clothes closet. Monetary donations will be used to purchase gift cards for older children. Drop off boxes are at Meek Baptist, Dollar General, Sue's and the Mexican restaurant. Meek's toys will stay in the Arley area. The other drop-off boxes are shared with other counties. Contact Jessie Burns, 205-388-0708, or call the church before dropping off there to be sure it is not locked.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Jasper – They serve 8 counties with their year-round food bank. On December 17 at Woodland Trace Church of Christ they will give holiday meal ingredients and toys to the children. They expect to serve 800-1000 children this year. They need NEW games, stuffed animals and sports equipment to fill an extra large shopping bag for each child. (no bikes or large items) Monetary donations are also accepted and they will shop for you. Make checks out to St. Mary's and write 'toys' in the memo line. Bring donations to St. Mary's during the week at 801 The Trace W. Call the church, 205-387-7746, to be sure someone is there before you go. Contact is Anne Freeze, 662-549-3792, if you have questions or to make other arrangements for dropping off gifts.

Meek Angel Tree – If you would like to adopt a child or family for Christmas contact Jessie Burns, 205-388-0708. She is working with Ms. Rickett at Arley First Baptist, and a Meek kindergarten teacher, to identify needy children and sponsors.

Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation - Their mission is to help Cullman County citizens who struggle to provide for themselves and their families after a cancer diagnosis. They have had to cancel their fund-raisers this year because of COVID-19 and have had to turn down many requests. Donations can be mailed to the Foundation at P. O. Box 123, Vinemont, AL 35179.