



# Servants of our Lord Ministry

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**December 2024 Newsletter**

## Receiving Blessings!

Imagine that you live only on a small income and do not have the ability to purchase gifts for your children. There is no extra money in your budget. This may lead you to feelings of despair or depression. Thoughts of not being able to provide for your family haunt you. Jobs are not readily available in your community. You do not have a working vehicle to get you from place to place. Your roof is leaking and your house is in disrepair. Through our Annual Christmas Coat & Toy distribution we are able to provide some hope to families that use the food pantries and churches. What delight these people's faces have when their food pantry or church can provide a simple toy or coat to meet a need that they have! People wonder why provide coats and toys to Kentucky when you live in Illinois. Resources and jobs are greatly reduced to the Eastern Appalachia Kentucky region with the loss of coal mining jobs and the depressed economy. People are assigned a food pantry and are not at liberty to use multiple food pantries for resources in Kentucky. Here are some pictures from our 2024 Christmas Coat & Toy Distribution.



### SCRIPTURE FOCUS

*"In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" Acts 20:35 (NIV)*

### OUR MISSION

*To serve our Lord, Jesus Christ, by meeting the spiritual and material needs of the many economically deprived individuals living in the Appalachians and surrounding areas.*

### MINISTRY NEEDS

**Prayer Partners.** Please lift up the food pantries and volunteers that make this all possible, and also the families that receive God's abundance!

Please pray for the ministry leaders, that they may know the will of God.

**Financial Partners.** Please prayerfully consider ways you can help with a monthly donation. 100% of all donations go to providing food to the Eastern Kentucky region. As expenses rise, your consideration for financial donations is greatly appreciated.





# Jesus is the Reason for the Season

Our organization works all year long for our Christmas Coat and Toy distribution. We are a not-for-profit 501 c3 organization that solely depends on contributions to cover our expenses. <https://givebutter.com/S4twTI>

December 3rd was our annual Christmas coat and toy distribution. We have many food pantries that need and appreciate the work of our volunteers to make this a successful day! Seeing the happy faces of the pantries knowing that they can make a difference in so many kids lives is heartwarming. Jesus is the reason for the season! Consider what Jesus did for others and that food pantries also do for others. Can you see a connection? Putting life's differences aside allows us to see the worth of an individual. In life there are many facets which allow different senses to surface. We choose the facet of Jesus to shine his light through our organization to provide joy in a child's heart! Please consider shining your light on our organization, so we can continue to light the way for the people of Eastern Appalachia Kentucky! Merry Christmas and may God's

light shine on through the good things that you see and do this season and throughout the year!



## Volunteers: Healing, Hope, Compassion

Volunteering is a good way to start off your year of giving! We need volunteers to help combat the food insecurity that many counties in Kentucky suffer from. Mark your calendars, so that you can help make a difference!

We do a Kentucky preload of food and drinks in Normal, Illinois. We do a preload for 13 of the agencies that we serve each month in February through November. Scan the QR code below to see what dates will work for you! Then sign up! You do not have to lift anything if you want to run the scanner! Come make a difference with us!



Servants of our Lord Ministry, Inc.

If you are interested in being a team player locally in our area with Servants of our Lord Ministry, please refer to this link to sign up <https://shorturl.at/dmV15> or scan this QR code:



Volunteer Signup

## Ministry Partner

Please keep in mind, this ministry operates solely on individual donations and the help of volunteers.

If you have the time and desire to help with the monthly food distribution, there are a variety of tasks that need volunteers. If interested, please contact us via email at [servantsofourlord@live.com](mailto:servantsofourlord@live.com) or phone (859) 363-6421.

If you would like to help with the Ministry's monthly operational costs, please send your tax-deductible donation in the envelope provided or donate on our website at <https://servantsofourlordministry.com/get-involved> or mail your donation to P.O. Box 224 Lexington, IL 61753.

Thank you and God Bless.



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## Prayer Requests

- Please pray for two of our volunteers that were bruised and sore from a traffic accident on the way back from the December distribution.
- Please pray for answers to medical issues with Grace of God Ministries.
- Prayers for joyous holidays for the agency partners that we serve.
- Prayers for additional donations to cover our expenses for this ministry.
- Prayers for more volunteers in KY for the January and February distributions.



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