

Servants of our Lord Ministry

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Thanksgiving

What does "Thanksgiving" mean to me? It means counting our blessings, spending time with family and friends and just being grateful for what God has provided. Enjoying great food and preparing favorite dishes are something that we can do to provide comfort. For some people Thanksgiving and the holidays mean sadness, emptiness and a time of despair. For some, it can mean where is my next meal coming from? Food insecurity is real! It is something that our ministry tries to help fill in the gaps. We try to be there in a time of need and fill that need or at least add some hope to someone's life. We pray for people that are suffering, missing a loved one, lost a job, received a diagnosis that is hard to process, or they are in a time of need.

As we approach the holidays our busy schedules become even busier. How can that be possible? We need to make time to pray for our communities and for people that we know and even for those that we do not know. Count your blessings and share your love with those around you. You never know what the people around you have going on in their lives. The eyes are a window to the soul. Be a blessing in someone's life!









Thank you

God Bless you for all you have done to help the people of Eastern Kentucky! Please pray that God will continue to guide this ministry to supply the food and spiritual needs to all that are physically and spiritually hungry in this impoverished region.

SCRIPTURE FOCUS

"Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things." Psalm 107:8-9.

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.

GivingTuesday, December 3rd

Have you heard about the GivingTuesday movement? According to givingtuesday.org, it is a global generosity movement that unleashes the power of radical generosity. It was created in 2012 as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good. It has grown into a global movement that inspires hundreds of millions of people to give, collaborate, and celebrate generosity. You can give of your time, a donation, or the power of your voice in your local community. Identify your gifts, pick a cause that gets your fired up, and give back—not just for GivingTuesday but every day! Please consider Servants of our Lord Ministry on Giving-Tuesday and throughout the year. Your donation will have a rippling effect on so many people in the Eastern Appalachia Kentucky region as well as the individuals that help with this ministry. These pictures are from our Christmas Coat and Toy distribution 2023. All of the

items that you see in the pictures were donated from individuals like you and I. We work all year long to collect items for the Christmas Coat and Toy distribution. It was Roger's dream to be able to provide something for the children of this area. When he travelled the back roads and hollers, he would see families with not much. It broke his heart to see children in this area and the lack of families to afford a simple gift at Christmas time and that was when he came up with the idea of the Christmas Coat and Toy distribution. We have continued his dream to provide coats and toys at Christmas time. Through the Christmas Coat and Toy distribution we also provide a meal and gifts to the Powell County Detention center in apprecia-

tion for all the help they provide throughout the year.



Volunteer Corner

Volunteering is a need, not a want. 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! Smile your giving is contagious!

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!

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 <u>servantsofourlord@live.com</u> 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.



Donate

Prayer Requests

- Thanksgiving prayers to the food pantries and the clients that they serve.
- Prayers for additional donations to cover our expenses for this ministry.
- Prayers for more volunteers in KY for the December and January distributions.
- Prayers for our country as we go through change.
- Prayers for Steve's foot and answers.



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