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Pure Joy!



My wife's favorite ad this time of year is the Hershey's Kiss one. No words, just a simple song that rings in joy. We stop and watch it every time it comes on. We especially love the final note and the little "WHEW!" at the end.

This reminds me of the holiday season we are currently in. Christmas is so joyful, but WHEW! What a year it has been! COVID-19 has made things difficult, but not impossible, because our Hope, Strength, and Joy is found in Christ - the true reason for the season.

As the COVID-19 numbers spike, we are creating new ways to serve the people God sends to us. Our pledge to Him has always been to share the Gospel using not just words, but actions as well.

As the new year approaches, we (the Mission and you) will continue to feed and clothe the needy and shelter the homeless, all while sharing the Gospel! That's our JOY!

Serving Jesus and Others With You,
Tom

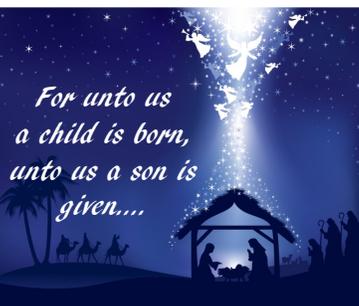
Dear Friends,
With a heavy, but thankful heart, I want to let you know that I am retiring and stepping down from the Executive Director position of Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission on January 1, 2021. I plan to spend more time with my wife, Mary, and enjoy whatever God has for us in the future.

I am thrilled about the selection the Board has made as my successor! I am sure you'll be as excited as I am when they make that announcement.

I want to thank you all for everything you have done for TGRM during my time here, and the encouragement you have been to me over the years. It is only going to get better as time goes on!

*Thanks & God Bless,
Tom*

P.S. I'm not disappearing. You'll still see and hear from me from time to time as we serve together with the new leadership. It's going to be awesome!



*For unto us
a child is born,
unto us a son is
given....*

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Neighborhood Impact



front door was dented severely, so I opened the back door to assist her. Needless to say, she was injured pretty badly, but I

A few weeks ago, the Mission Mall was getting ready to open for the day, when suddenly there was a loud bang against the building! A lady lost control of her car, hit a tree, and then our building! She was pinned in her car because the

managed to get her to shut the engine off.

I tell you this story, because sometimes I've doubted the impact being made at the Mission Mall. The neat thing that happened while I was helping the lady was the folks waiting in line at the Mission Mall to receive needed items began to circle around the car and pray for her! People that I've prayed for when they were in need began lifting up this lady, praying for her safety and healing. Wow! Those people, who were in need themselves, because of the work TGRM is doing at the Mission Mall, began praying for another in need. This really touched my heart and helped me see God at work! Thank you for helping TGRM help those in need!

John

Christmas at Rebekah's Haven



It is crazy how the holidays have approached us so quickly! The fall temperatures and Thanksgiving have passed and all too soon it will be bitter cold with snow. One of the most favorite times of the year for the kiddos is Christmas. Christmas at Rebekah's Haven is so heart-warming. We enjoy seeing the mothers & children filled with joy on Christmas Day. Many times, during the Christmas season, mom's

and kids become filled with the hope that is most important for their new journey in life, Jesus! Only Jesus has the hope that gives them joy, no matter what their circumstances are.

I would like to thank all of you that have volunteered your time, treasure, and participated in this ministry. It would not be possible without you!

You are the hands and feet that Christ has called in this season. God bless you all and may God keep your hearts warm!

If you would like to bless the mothers and children with some hot cocoa, cookies, or a small gift, please know your kindness is appreciated.



God Bless, Jacque



Ministry Needs



Men's Shelter

Masks/face coverings
Multi-purpose cleaner
Disinfecting wipes
Bleach
Dish soap
Toilet bowl cleaner
Toilet paper
Paper towels
Napkins
Paper plates
Paper & Styrofoam cups
Plasticware
Serving gloves
Ketchup
Mustard
Miracle Whip
Salad dressings: Ranch, French, Italian
Industrial-sized
* Aluminum Foil
* Plastic Wrap

Rebekah's Haven

Paper Towels
Toilet Tissue
Laundry Detergent

Scrubbing Bubbles
Tilex Bleach Spray
Nue All Purpose Cleaner
Bleach
Pine sol
Sos Pads
Disinfectant Wipes
Hand Sanitizer
Diapers sz. 5 & 6
Wipes
Foil
Sponges
Peanut Butter
Jelly
Crackers

Mission Mall

Bleach
Masks
PineSol
Rubber Gloves

A Note of Thanks from the Mission Mall Warehouse



We would like to thank all our contributors for all you do to make this ministry work for all the people that are in need of help. My heart is so full of memories of the good that is being done with the things you have donated. Our Mission is to share the love of Jesus in all that we do, and thanks to your donations we are

doing it! Through your donation of tangible goods we are reaching those in need and God is transforming their hearts! Thank you for partnering with us to reach them through your donations. Last but not least, thank you for your continued prayers, and for loving your neighbor by giving.

Be Blessed, Earl