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"It's Just So Nice To See Faces Again!"



If 2020 highlighted anything it highlighted our need for one another! As the pandemic raged on, people begin to value and miss the small ways of connecting that beforehand were viewed as insignificant or burdensome. I think I've found that to be my most interesting observation from this whole ordeal! When TGRM had to encourage our volunteers to stay

home and shudder some of our vital ministries, like the Mission Mall for a season, we as a staff were sad and worried both for those we serve, but also for those who serve! In May, we held our second volunteer orientation of 2021 and one of the remarks from staff was "it's just so nice to see faces again!" We

love our volunteers!



We love their hearts for those we serve, we love their encouraging words, and we love that they understand how important it is to connect and support the hurting and lost!

The month of June is home to Father's Day, and I, as the daughter of a man who led by example the



call of Christ in Matthew 25:35-37, am forever thankful for a father who taught me how to serve Christ. He lived the example of feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and giving to the poor (both spiritually poor and financially poor). We are created to love one another (1 John 4:7-8), and we were created to do good works

(Ephesians 2:10). What better way to connect as a family,

church, and community than serving others! You, serving those in need through TGRM, are living out the example of Christ to a broken world who desperately needs to know him!

This year, this Summer, and even today let's not lose the lesson of last year, but instead let's strive to answer the call even more so and grow together in love, hope, and service to others!





In Christ,

Kelly Llanas

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Families Welcome!

The Mission Mall can always use volunteers! In May, we had some younger volunteers than what we normally see! Three young people came in with their grandfather to help out. Isabella (12) worked on going through donated sheets, pillow cases, tablecloths, and linen. She folded and put them in order. Massimo (11) worked on organizing supplies and putting them in the storage area so they could be better accessed. Last but not least, Cruz (8) worked on a lot of different things, but especially enjoyed the CD music rack! They did a



great job, and so did their grandpa by leading them in ser-

vice to others in need! At TGRM we are so thankful for our volunteers, they truly make a difference!! Please know that if you are coming to the Mission Mall to serve, you are welcome to bring young people to serve with you! There's always a need for extra hands, and families serving together is a beautiful thing!

God Bless, John

Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission is excited to announce that we will be resuming donation pick up starting May 24. We are accepting clothing, shoes, bedding, gently used furniture, household decor, and dishes. If you have items you would like picked up please call Tony at 567-970-1500 to save a place on the schedule.



Ministry Needs

Men's Shelter

Plastic Flatware
Napkins
Paper Plates
Brillo Pads
Dish Soap
Laundry Detergent
Coffee, Creamer, Sugar
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
Beef, Chicken, Veggie Broths
Ketchup, Mustard, Mayonnaise
Pasta

Mission Mall & Outreach

Shoes - (Clean, reusable)
Coffee, Creamer, Sugar
Napkins
Bleach
Spic & Span/Pinesol
Toilet Paper
Paper Towels
Clean Summer Clothing
Garage/Yard/Rummage
Sale Useable Leftovers
Rebekah's Haven

Laundry Pods

Bleach
Disinfectant Wipes
Dryer Sheets
Scrubbing Bubbles
Sponges
Dish Towels
Bath Towels
Stainless Steel Cleaner
Spray Bottles
Windex
Wipes
Vaseline
Womens Non Slip Sock
Trash Bags

Administrative Office

Cases of Paper (20lb., 8 1/2 x 11)
Forever Stamps
#10 White Envelopes
Calculator Tape
Newsletter Assembly Volunteers

Hello, My Name Is Nessy.

I am from Zimbabwe Africa and currently. I am currently residing at Rebekah's Haven. I came here on the 12th of January, 2021. Since arrival, the Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission has been a true haven and refuge indeed. I am constantly reminded of Matthew 11:28-30. Jesus said '...Come you who is heavily laden, and I will give you rest..." I was extremely



overwhelmed when I brought my daughter to Rebekah's Haven. I did have a choice but felt this is where I was led, for this season in my life. I was also spiritually heavily laden. Upon arrival, my daughter and I were welcomed with open arms. We were given a safe and clean room and provided with basic essentials. I was also referred to the housing specialist and able to apply for housing. And I have also applied for public assistance. I feel hopeful. One thing that I do appreciate about Rebekah's Haven is the mandatory chapel attendance from 6:30pm - 7:30pm. I treasure every time we gather for the bible study. I know that without God I am nothing. I need God and to know that all things are possible with God. Therefore, the bible studies that are enforced in this place have been helpful for me. I feel less overwhelmed and understand that all things work out for the good when I love God. I do love the Lord and I know things might not be how I thought, but because God knows better that all will be fine. It isn't the best of feelings to be displaced from home. And by far to try to do it alone. However, it is comforting to face it head on in a place like Rebekah's Haven. This is indeed a place of shelter from the storms of life. Today, I currently have a job and looking forward to successfully being housed by the grace of God. I will continue to put God first in all my endeavors. I am thankful for Rebekah's Haven and all of it's staff members.

