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Helping Hands Ministries of Harrisburg, Inc.

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Thank You

Thank You Vendors

Please check out Broad Street Market, there are new hot food vendors: in the Stone building we have simply soup, stuffed gourmet burgers, Balkan, sorry can't think of name of Jamaican, the Haitian food; as well as our "old" vendors, teps seafood, and curry in a hurry (the stone building) hot foods and ready to go. please stop by and show your support to them--they support us and we are so thankful...then there is the Brick building: fresh meats, shish-ka-bobs, pretzels, flowers, organic, seafood, produce, prepared chicken, ribs, baked corn, mashed potatoes, bakery items and deli...are you hungry yet????

Visit The Healthy Grocer: organic, vegetables, fruits, gluten-free, grain-fed, free-range all with knowledgeable and friendly staff.

Thank you volunteers
You are helping hands!!!

Fred has been serving for many years on Wednesdays. He had brought donated cakes and cupcakes from Specialty Cakes by Bob Miller, we no longer receive those donations. If you remember Bob Miller had dies last year. Fred also brings "left-overs" from the new kitchen person at CHUM Margaret. We have really appreciated Fred's faithfulness to HHM.

Tuesday nights volunteers: Alice, Barry, Jim, Linda - when we moved outside, they moved outside with us. I pray they can arrange their schedules to come on Fridays.

Gifts
Christmas was made special with presents from 1st Church of God: white socks, health and beauty aids .

Preparing cooking serving

Susan, and JoJo prepared our Thursday meal when I am unable to cook. I had the opportunity to go to Haiti on a missions trip and had 2 days to get all the volunteers together. Asked them on Thursday if they could cook for the following Thursday and praise the Lord delicious food served.

On the 3rd Friday of the month, Ron Wolf, Charlton UMC, brings spaghetti and meatballs - faithfully.

Serving Opportunities:

Sundays, Thursdays, Fridays
inside St. Michael Lutheran Church 118 State St.

"helping hands" come at 4 p.m.

Volunteers are such a blessing!

Economy...

The economy has taken it's toll on many people, including churches. It is sad when a church is having financial troubles. That being said First Church of God is no longer able to host Helping Hands Ministries five nights a week. We have been very blessed to be able to serve our meals for about eight

years inside. We will miss our family.

Many things have changed this year. Deaths, rehab, ER visits are all normal happenings but our serving days flipped. And now a new change. We are making good use of God's resources by serving inside St. Michael

*Trust in the Lord with
all thine and heart and
lean not on thy own un-
derstanding
In all thy ways acknowl-
edge Him and He shall di-
rect your paths.*

Prov 3:5,6

Lutheran Church 118 State Street, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays; that means we will no longer be serving Tuesday and Wednesdays.

From My Heart

Craig, a veteran like many other vets, has a drinking problem. It's really sad to see the men (women) who have served our country come home and feel like there is no hope - no jobs - no help. Thank God there is VA. There is a program at the YMCA in Harrisburg that house vets that choose to be housed. Craig made a big decision. He decided to go into a VA rehab and they have moved him out of the area. Just hearing from him and that he is doing well is so encouraging. Please pray Craig continues this path to sobriety and that many others will make good choices.

We did have two deaths that we know of: Michael and Donald. Each of them were chain smokers, or close to it; they died due to their addiction to nicotine.

The choices we make as young people affect our health as we age.

Statistics

Eighteen years ago we started serving a hot meal to the homeless and needy in Harrisburg one night a week; within five years five nights a week; between fifty and eighty people come to eat. Most people eat two servings that's 100-160 meals a day. Now five times that 100-160 is 500-830 meals a week, 2000-3320 meals a month, 24,000-39,840 meals year.

Pray

Please continue to pray for the homeless and needy in Harrisburg, and Helping Hands Ministries of Harrisburg.

Servers

Jill from Redland brought her three children to help serve Wednesday twice a month. We had welcomed EBC youth group to our 4th Wednesday of the month.

CHUM youth group comes on the fourth Sundays.

Glenvale Youth Focus Group serves the fifth Sunday. They have brought bags with soap and deodorant and other health and beauty aids for "the guys" to choose from to add to their bag. And Sarah from that group, raised \$90 to contribute to that fund. Terrific to have young people who want to serve.

A Bible School in Grantville had a group of young adults coming during the winter months.

Emmanuel Baptist Church youth group have been serving monthly on a Wednesday.

Thank you young people!!!!

NEEDS:

White socks

Backpacks

Prayers

Financial support

Food, Food, More Food

Thanks Cheryl and your Spanish class for sharing your left-overs from your schools International Luncheon.

CHUM has kept their freezer full and when needed Fred has heated the food and brought it down.

St. Johns Lutheran in Shiremantown has been making casseroles almost monthly. All these people have been terrific with their "helping hands" truly a blessing.

Tree of Life Lutheran has had leftovers from functions and we have benefited - delicious.

Subs have been a special donated meal; Tom from CHUM bought subs for HHM from one charity to another and there was a graduation party that donated 3-foot long subs.

Starbucks in the mall as well as the Starbuck on Trindle Road are donating day old pastries. Yum.

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We are blessed with the many hands that are a part of Helping Hands Ministries of Harrisburg, inc

Food, fellowship and a listening ear make smiling faces.



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