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"For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given." "And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9: 6 e just want to say "Thank you!"

Y V You have been so faithful to give, to pray, and to respond to the special needs of *the Mission*. Our volunteers and staff have been so touched by your heart to make a difference in the lives of people who are in crisis.

You drop in just to "check on us," or to "see how we are doing." "Do you need anything?" a young couple expressed to us. "We're just stopping by" is a constant refrain.

The encouragment and support we feel goes way beyond anything we could adequately express to you with words.

So let us say "*Merry Christmas*" to you with the hope that you know the JOY you bring here is huge. We often say that Christmas at Mission Arlington<sup>®</sup> is "365 days a year," or "7-days a week."

The amazing thing is that you HELP, so that we can keep giving, so that the people can experience HOPE.

Thank you, and "bless you all!"

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## **CHRISTMAS AT MISSION ARLINGTON°**

Our free Christmas Store runs from **December 10th through December 22nd, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m**. every day, excluding Sundays. The store also opens on **December 23rd**, from 10 a.m. until noon.

**Volunteers are needed** in every area of the Christmas Store, from childcare to gift wrap, to shopper-helpers, to stocking of the store.

## Toys and Christmas gifts are needed.

For children of all ages, new or nearly new gifts make a difference in the life of a family in need. You can find a listing of gifts, plus an "Amazon wishlist," on our website at www. missionarlington.org.





## THE MISSION ARLINGTON<sup>®</sup> DIFFERENCE

Your support makes such a difference all year long, and especially at year's end. **THANK YOU**. Here are a few distinctives to remember:

- 1. There is "no charge" for our services;
- 2. <u>We do not sell</u> the gifts which you provide;
- Our <u>administrative overhead</u> is documented at **less than 2%**;
- We are <u>accountable & transparent</u>, governed by a local Board of Directors, audited annually, and in good standing with multiple charity watchdogs;
- 5. We <u>operate holistically</u>, caring for people's spiritual, physical, emotional, and educational needs.
- 6. <u>We are faith-based</u>, sharing God's love in everything we do, while treating every person with dignity and respect.
- We are consistent. We are here daily, and over 36 years, we have never closed. Tillie has been here since the beginning (August 1986). We are grateful to God for you!

