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TILLIE BURGIN

Last Thanksgiving, you helped us provide turkeys and a Thanksgiving meal to a record-setting **26,095** people. Because of that, our food supply this year is starting behind. Can you help us begin now, so that we will be prepared on Thanksgiving Day? Thank you.

As you receive this Newsletter, please know our great appreciation and thankfulness for you. Our prayer is that you will feel the heart of the ones here at *the Mission* who want to communicate with you personally.

Recently we heard about a child who came home from school and said: "I don't want to go back to school." The mom (a single parent) asked "Why?" The child responded that: "People make fun of me." The next statement was "Can we go to *the Mission* and get some clean clothes?"

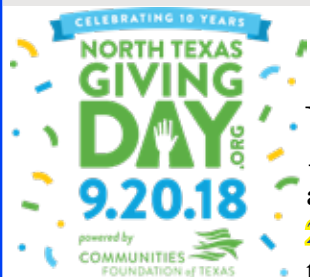
The family came in to see us, and because of the wonderful donations of children's clothes and other items, we were able to help with everything this child needed to feel good about going back to school. We want you to know that **nothing you give is insignificant**.

Many of the families who receive help in the front room come back to volunteer. One day a mom and her children came for help and were invited to one of the Mission Arlington® congregations near them. They came the following Sunday, and the children and parent had a place to study God's word. Jesus fed them and taught them!

We would like for you to stay *in close touch* as 500 - 600 people come to *the Mission* daily, and the need will increase as the holidays arrive.

WE THANK GOD FOR YOU!

NORTH TEXAS DAY OF GIVING



WHERE YOUR GIFT
GOES FARTHER

North Texas Giving Day 2018 happens again **Thursday, September 20th**. When you contribute to the ministry of Mission

Arlington® / Mission Metroplex® between 6 a.m. and Midnight - using the North Texas Giving Day Link (www.northtexasgivingday.org), your impact will be increased, because of additional gifts supplied by the Communities Foundation of Texas.

Your gift will help ordinary people in a moment of need. Through August, an average of **12,110 people a month** have received assistance from here.

Through the past few years, your gifts on this day have made a big difference. We are so grateful!

MULTIPLYING YOUR GIFTS

KROGER COMMUNITY
REWARDS



When you choose us through the Community Rewards program, Kroger donates a percentage of your purchase to benefit the ministry here. Last year, we received several thousand dollars.

Kroger has updated their system to serve you better. Our new organization number is **FP704**. In order to keep benefitting *the Mission*, you will need to re-enroll through Kroger.com. If you need help, link to missionarlington.org or call us at 817-704-6141.

ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD STAYS LOW

Our audited administrative overhead for 2017 was **2.3 percent**. When you give here, **97.7 percent** of every dollar ministers to people in need. Your hard-earned dollars go farther, and we never charge for any service that we provide.

25,961 CHILDREN EXPERIENCE RAINBOW EXPRESS®

Since January, almost **26,000** children & youth have attended these four-day, fun-filled, backyard Bible clubs which we call Rainbow Express®. Student groups from 11 states and 38 Texas cities have been here to help.



Crafts



Fun Songs



Bible Study

SCHOOL SUPPLIES



What a team effort this has been! So many of you purchased and/or provided supplies.

Others gave your time to organize the supplies into grade levels - no easy feat, given the demand. Still others took the time personally to hand out supplies to the students in need. Some of you did all of the above. Wow!

We hope you know how much your gift meant to the young people, and the moms and dads too.

Because of your generosity, we provided school supplies to **9,872 students**.



THANK YOU SO MUCH!

1,037 STUDENTS LEARN TO OVERCOME AT CAMP

From Preschool to High School, 1,037 students enjoyed one of 7 free camps this summer designed just for them. The camp theme came from John 16:33, encouraging campers to **"OVERCOME"** through a relationship with Jesus Christ.



Camp Counselors



Swimming



Outdoor Games



Slip & Slide

SUMMER MISSIONARIES

28 college students from six states, including two from S. Korea, served here his summer. Two of them are pictured here with Tillie.



ENGAGING STUDENTS THROUGH THE SUMMER

While the students were out of school for the summer, it was so much fun to sponsor all kinds of activities and outings, keeping these energetic young people engaged and growing. Hundreds of students participated each week.

