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“Rejoice always! Pray constantly. Give thanks in everything, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.”

1 Thess. 5:16-18

There are many receiving help at Mission Arlington who ask “How can I say thank you to those who give?” I always tell them to “start helping another,” and so many do! Because you give, those who are in crisis can find their way back to dignity and completeness. You would be pleased at the changed lives.

One young man stopped by recently to tell us how he has been clean from alcohol for over a year. When he received help from Mission Arlington he realized there must be a God who really cares. This was the start of his journey back to health and wholeness.

So today he is buying a home. He is getting married this month, and he gave a \$100

check to us! He said, “I just want someone else to have the same chance I did.”

That “someone else” will get a chance, because he gave. This young man had a chance, because you gave. And on it goes in the wonderful circle of God’s love. At Mission Arlington, we get the opportunity to watch it all unfold.

Every chance we get, we want to tell you how important you are to us. We do pray for you and your families. Thank you for walking with us so faithfully.

HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!

Mission Arlington will serve more than 10,000 people on Thanksgiving Day.



Volunteers deliver food to families Thanksgiving day 2004



Families in our community can have a good Thanksgiving Day

YOU CAN VOLUNTEER.

On Thanksgiving Day, beginning at **9:00 a.m.**, we will need your help to deliver Turkeys and Thanksgiving Baskets to more than **ten thousand people.**

YOU HAVE OPTIONS.

- ◆ You can deliver a turkey and a food basket.
- ◆ You can deliver a hot, pre-cooked meal.
- ◆ You can help serve a meal in the community.

YOUR GIFTS MATTER.

What would it be like not to be able to put food on the table for your family? Because of you, families don't have to worry about that painful reality. Thanks!

YOU CAN PROVIDE FOOD.

- ◆ **Turkeys and Hams**
- ◆ **Turkey Baskets** are needed: canned fruit and vegetables, dressing, desserts, bread, and more. ♥♥♥♥♥

BECAUSE OF YOU, MISSION ARLINGTON IS TOUCHING MORE PEOPLE THAN EVER BEFORE

Dr. Bob Mann Medical Clinic



926 patients were helped in September. Patients received \$97,978 worth of FREE medical care in the month of September alone.

CLINIC SERVICES EXPAND

Mission Arlington's medical services include optometry, obesity intervention, and an ability to help people with ongoing medication needs.

YOU REALLY CAN HELP!

- ◆ \$25 provides one bottle of antibiotics for 20 people.
- ◆ \$60 provides diagnostic flu testing for 10 people.
- ◆ \$100 dollars provides 10 kits to help with diabetes.

Faithful Together



By Jim Burgin

Jesus taught us to treat other people as we would want to be treated ourselves (Matthew 7:12). Your support for *Mission Arlington* constantly reaches beyond your own circumstances to help people who are experiencing difficult moments in life.

You treat people you don't know as if they were a part of your immediate family, thereby fulfilling Christ's "Golden Rule." The paragraphs below share stories from real people whose lives you have touched through *Mission Arlington*.

One mother, whose husband was taken to jail, continued to work. With the unexpected loss of income, it was getting more difficult each day to make ends meet. At the end of the month, she had only a few dollars remaining. She had to decide whether to buy toothpaste or shampoo for her family, because she couldn't afford both. She knelt to ask God for help and wisdom. When a Mission Arlington Bible study leader offered her a tube of toothpaste, this young mom began to cry and give thanks to God. The Bible study leader didn't know anything about the situation, but God did. **You provided the toothpaste.**

A family living in a central Arlington apartment community didn't have any furniture. Mission Arlington volunteers carried beds upstairs and placed them in the bedrooms. There were four young children in the home. The children were so excited to be getting a bed. The eight year old couldn't stop touching the beds, repeating over and over, "Look mom! Look, mom!" The mom had tears in her eyes and so did the volunteers. The children had been sleeping on the floor for weeks, but tonight it would be different. **You provided the beds.**

The young lady appeared in our front room. She couldn't have been older than 19. Three years before, her mom had died and dad had remarried. Dad didn't want her anymore, so she was evicted. Rejected, alone, and homeless, she turned to the streets. She didn't want food, clothes, or financial help. She just needed to know that someone could love her. We shared with her God's love and ours. **Your financial gifts provided the people** she needed to share God's love at just the right time. . .

Because you give, we are here. Together, we can be faithful to help people until our Lord returns.

Dr. Allan Saxe Dental Clinic



2,295 patients have been treated in the first 10 months of the year. Patients have received \$338,856 of FREE care so far. 207 dentists have helped this year.

EXTENSIVE SERVICES

Cleanings, fillings, extractions, and dentures are a regular part of the services of the Saxe Dental Clinic. 466 new patients have been treated in the first ten months of 2005.

YOU REALLY CAN HELP!

- ◆ \$25 provides 25 pediatric toothbrushes.
- ◆ \$150 provides one set of dentures for a senior adult.
- ◆ \$200 provides cleanings for ten children.

Mission Arlington's Front Room



200 families each day, six days a week are coming through Mission Arlington's front door for emergency assistance.

REAL HELP FOR PEOPLE

We know that many kinds of crises bring people to our front door. Mission Arlington treats each person and every family with dignity and respect. We provide real help in life's most difficult moments.

YOU REALLY CAN HELP!

- ◆ \$15 helps a family keep enough gas in the tank to get to work.
- ◆ \$75 helps with utility bills and/or rent for a family.