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 Solanco Neighborhood Ministries

Winter Newsletter 2015-2016



SWEEP Program

The Student Weekend Eating Program (SWEEP) is in full swing and each week we are serving up to 297 students! SWEEP serves students who qualify for free lunch at all of the Solanco elementary schools as well as Martic Elementary school. If you are interested in donating to the SWEEP program, we send the students home with single serve items for each meal that will last for both Saturday and Sunday.

Heating/Fuel Assistance

As you prepare for colder weather, we want to remind you that we will match up to $350 (one time) on your heating/fuel bill. Once we receive confirmation of your payment from your heating/oil company, we will forward them a matching amount. To participate in this program, you must first apply for LIHEAP\*. Applications can be found online or you can pick one up at the Food Bank. \* *Please* *note:* *we cannot match LIHEAP funds*

Volunteering Opportunities

* Calling all youth groups! We are looking for some creative, willing volunteers to decorate the boxes that will hold the Christmas meals!
* If you would like to ‘sponsor’ a family this Christmas, we would love to share with you how to make that possible.

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*The winter months usher in times of togetherness. They welcome change and newness and remind us of all that our Lord has done, the blessings of a year that is past, and one that is to come. Remember to give thanks in all that you do and to lift your praises to the Lord who has promised to be with you as this New Year approaches!*

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**Toy Drives**

The Nickel Mine Toy Drive is happening December 12th from 8am-12pm. You MUST be a participant of the Food Bank in order to enter the Toy Drive. It is for parents of children under 12 years of age. Please call or sign up at the Food Bank.

\*Please note, if you have already signed up for Toys for Tots, you may not participate in the Nickel Mine Drive.

~**Christmas Morning Sticky Buns~**

1 pkg. frozen dinner rolls

1 stick of butter

1 c. brown sugar

1 pkg. butterscotch pudding mix (not instant)

1 tsp. cinnamon

1 c. pecans (optional)

NIGHT BEFORE: melt butter; add brown sugar cinnamon and pudding mix. In a greased bundt or tube pan, pour pecans (optional) evenly on bottom. Place dinner rolls on top of pecans and slowly pour butter mixture over rolls. Let them sit *overnight* in a cool spot.

NEXT MORNING: Place pan in a 375̊ oven for 30 minutes.

 Enjoy! Merry Christmas!

**Christmas Boxes**

Christmas is right around the corner! Each year, we provide boxes to the participants of the Food Bank full of items to make a Christmas dinner. If you would like to donate items, we are accepting the following:

Roaster chicken 1 bag bread cubes

Au gratin potatoes 1 can crushed pineapple

1 can whole corn 1 lb margarine

1 can creamed corn 1 sm. Jar of Mayo

1 can turkey/chicken gravy 2 Jello (4-6oz)

1 can green beans 1 fruit cocktail

Corn muffin mix 1 Cool Whip

1 pkg brown and serve rolls

Breadcrumbs (plain) Cabbage

1 lb. carrots Milk

Eggs

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