

# HOSPITALITY HOUSE

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- NEWSLETTER -

## House Happenings:

by Debra McCammon, Executive Director

### Feeling Blessed and Thankful!

- Fall excitement is in the air as we celebrate the last several months of higher attendance. For the last 5 months we've been full upstairs and down 2 weekends a month on payday weekends.
- God is so very good and faithful as He has increased our numbers, brought new churches to partner with us and the in-kind donations have increased!
- We are very thankful that we're gaining new families every weekend. Families like the 2 sweet ladies who traveled from North Carolina here to visit a grandson. They were so very grateful to have a safe and secure place to stay while here for 3 days. They said they appreciated the beauty and comfort of the rooms, meals with other families and the compassion they felt from staff members.
- We have been very blessed to have several designated donations given for the purchase of Bibles.
- Several volunteer groups have been here to serve: replacing new patio roof that was rotted, building a storage shed for our Ladies Tea items, bringing meals, marking new Bibles with plan of salvation, newsletter prep, and outside cleanup.
- In anticipation of the holiday season, volunteers have been busy organizing and preparing the Santa Shop. Their efforts ensure that families in need can experience the joy of receiving, making the season brighter for everyone involved.
- I am blessed to celebrate 16 years here as Executive Director and starting my 17 th year...
- Thankful to have amazing donors supporting this incredible ministry! Thank you for your support! You can and do make a difference in people's lives. You are offering hope to children beyond the shadow of crime and giving them a chance for a better future. Thank you for investing in the future for these children.



### Guest Comments:

I love the Hospitality House because... "they are never judging, always giving. Not in only material things but in guidance and consideration. One day I pray I can give back to you who have actually cared. Thank you!"

Santa Shop  
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# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

BY JOE MCCAMMON



## The Biggest Regret

After many trips to Norway to visit our daughter and her family, we find ourselves taking more and more interest in the Norwegian culture and sayings. One of the old sayings there is: "If you find that you have stepped into the salad, please stand still!" I pondered for days the meaning behind this saying and this is what I came up with: If you mess up, don't let your mistake affect everyone around you!

A research was done asking people how many mistakes they've made in their lives. Some said as many as twenty or more. But according to an article in the Ellwood City Ledger (PA, Oct. 2022), "The average person will make 773,618 decisions over a lifetime, and will come to regret 143,262 as having made mistakes or errors in judgement!" On the positive side that means that there are 630,356 decisions that they did not regret. It must be noted that making mistakes is how we learn and how we improve.

I came across a list of six lifetime mistakes to avoid, however: 1) Holding a grudge, 2) Being in the wrong job, 3) Being in the wrong relationship, 4) Living beyond your means, 5) Failing to prepare for retirement, 6) Not loving and respecting yourself. But, there is a mistake the Bible says is one that actually drives away God's Spirit, ingratitude! It's a sin with severe repercussions. Romans 1:18f gives a detailed description of the downfall of a person or a society, listed alongside idolatry, homosexuality, and every kind of rebellion is un-thankfulness. Verse 21 says, "Although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him." This tells us that God takes gratefulness, and ungratefulness, seriously. As long as a person remains thankful to God, they retain a sensitivity to His presence. As we all know, time goes by so quickly, so we must make the best of each day! Be Thankful!



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**\$204 Provides 12 Hardi Lap Siding for Repairs**  
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