



HOSPITALITY HOUSE

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House Happenings:

by Debra McCammon, Executive Director

I always love November and December each year because everyone begins thinking of 'giving and helping others'. It's a time that many think creatively of ways to share and bless others in celebration of the Lord's birth. A time to be grateful for what we have and what we can give.

At HHouse this time of year is always so much fun as families arrive tired and stressed. We can help alleviate some of their stress by offering the Santa Shop where they can choose as many gifts as they need for their children. Watching their tears of joy as they first walk into the Santa Shop and we begin explaining that they can take all they need, and then their excitement of choosing gifts is the biggest blessing to myself, our staff, and even our university interns. It's an awesome lesson in humility and gratitude observing the grateful women accepting gifts for themselves and their children. As the number of guests continues to increase so do His blessings! We are so blessed to be a part of His plan.

We'd like to thank you, our donors, for the toys, gifts and financial donations to HHouse last year. We serve an amazing God who works on the hearts of His people to give to those in need. I'm grateful to be a part of this ministry where I see evidence of this throughout the year, but especially at Christmas! Thank you!



Chaplain's Corner: by Joe McCammon

Do-Overs!

Ready or not, '24 is here! But the transition doesn't have to be a bad experience. These are some things that the new year has to offer: opportunities to leave 2023 behind once and for all; learn from mistakes and realize the lessons learned; settle any issues with friends or family; and make some all-important resolutions for the new year, which will take some motivation to accomplish.

Jesus gave some motivation to a woman in John 8 who had been brought to the temple courts and was being accused of committing adultery. According to the Pharisees and law teachers, the woman should be stoned to death. When Jesus realized that the accusers were just as sinful as the woman, he gave them this famous rebuke. "Any of you who is without sin, you may throw the first stone." And one by one their "instruments of execution" dropped to the ground. His rhetorical question to the woman following that was packed with mercy and tenderness. "Where are your accusers? Go and live your life without sin."

GO AND LIVE YOUR LIFE! You have a fresh start! Hopefully every one of you can say without hesitation that when you first trusted in Jesus as your personal Lord and Savior, you recognized the basic fact of salvation which is that you became a new creation in Christ! It was God saying to you, "You now have a fresh, new start! Go live your life to the best of your ability and TRUST IN ME!"

So, if you are bemoaning how bad 2023 was, just call for "do-overs!" Surely this new year will be the best ever for you! Just keep on living and trusting!





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Urgent Needs:

\$1600 - Kitchen Electrical Update - to be compliant with electrical codes

\$27,000 - Generator - 26KW to provide power during outages when we have guests and during the work week. Outages which are becoming more frequent.

\$40 – Case of Copy Paper -8.5×11

\$200 – Gas Weed Eater



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