

hands & feet MINISTRY

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A Note from our Executive Director

Are you thinking...WHAT? Who is the Executive Director? You will not be surprised to see this face or hear his name because he has been a compassionate member of our board since the beginning. He was there for all the paperwork and dreams. He was instrumental in bringing this ministry to life back in the beginning and now will be walking alongside keeping it alive and well in the future. We welcome, our very own Darin Kroger. Darin comes to us already with a love of HFM and as he says he is ready to put "boots on the ground." We are excited about what this means to the future of the ministry and the new ideas that he will be bringing with his past experience in non-profits and ministries. Not to mention his love for the Lord that supersedes everything. We are so excited about this next chapter of Hands & Feet Ministry!

On behalf of myself and all of our board members, please allow me to express our sincere thanks for your past support of Hands & Feet Ministry (HFM). Without faithful partners we would be unable to do all the things that we do to be the physical representation of Jesus to the people of our community.

It has been an eventful year for HFM. There have been some highs and lows but, we remain faithful to our mission to SERVE COMMUNITY / BUILD RELATIONSHIPS / RESTORE LIVES. How we physically go about doing those things has taken on many different approaches but, each project and outreach has given us the opportunity to show and share God's love, grace, and mercy to the individuals and families that we interact with. Not only do we get that opportunity with those that we serve but, we also get to demonstrate those attributes of God to those that serve alongside us.

We take the opportunity to have conversation and prayer with everyone we interact with and invite them to make contact with local churches for ongoing spiritual and physical support.

As I'm sure you are well aware, we receive far more requests for assistance than we have funding to support. In the coming year, we hope to increase the assistance we are able to give to our communities. With the economy and the hardships of this broken world, more and more people are in need. In need...of physical as well as spiritual support and assistance.

What's happened in 2015? In the past year we have been involved in many interactions with

those in need in our local communities. Here are just a few examples:

- For a homeless family:
 - Provided 2 weeks of emergency shelter
 - Provided a gas and grocery card
 - Made connections with other parties to help secure housing and a job
- For another homeless family:
 - Helped with transition into an apartment
 - Provided furniture, beds, bedding & a grocery gift card
 - Provided a Walmart gift card for necessary items for their children
- For a single mother with serious health issues:
 - Repaired & remodeled a bathroom to make it handicap accessible
 - Collected & presented donated funds to help offset her medical expense

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- For another single mother with kids:
Donated 4 truckloads of firewood to help with heating over the colder months
Assisted with a deposit to have her electric turned back on in her rented home
- For a homeless veteran:
Provided a restaurant gift card and gas card
Connected him with a local agency that provides services specifically to veterans
- For a disabled family in need:
Made repairs to their trailer to bring it up to code so they weren't evicted
Made repairs to their steps so they could safely get in and out of their trailer
- For a family whose father lost his job and was unable to collect unemployment:
Provided them with groceries & Christmas gifts for their children

Only thru Him, <><

Darin

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The coffeehouse was open for 26 months. It was a lot of fun meeting you and enjoying a cup of joe with great conversation. The board had to make a tough decision to close its doors in order to put focus back to the ministry. We are so thankful for this time with you! Thank you for your continued support!

Thank you to everyone who helped make 2015 a great year!

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