

The OVERFLOW

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Count Your Blessings

HAPPY THANKSGIVING and **MERRY CHRISTMAS.** It is hard to believe that we are almost to the end of another calendar year. Historically, The Overflowing Cup has served holiday meals, feeding close to 300 people but has not served meals for several years since we have "downsized" to our smaller facility. This year however, we sponsored a Thanksgiving Day meal serving turkey with all of the trimmings holding it at the Masonic Lodge. The Lodge offered their facilities which included a fantastic kitchen. A local company, Pizza Ranch, decided to "pay it forward" and provide much of the food. Family Video of Roscoe donated many turkeys and Sophia's Restaurant in Beloit donated food. The meal was served from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm on Thanksgiving Day. Nearly 70 volunteers helped to make this labor of love be successful.

In Matthew 25, it says (paraphrased): *"When I was hungry, you fed me...."* Thanksgiving and Christmas are wonderful opportunities to "Count Your Blessings" by Helping Us To Help Others.

Christmas is just around the corner. We want to remind each of you that JESUS is the REASON for the SEASON.

Thank you to the faithful ones who support us with their prayers and finances.

You may say, "How can I help and what can I do?"

We all have much to be thankful for and we want to THANK each of you who pray for our ministry and believe in what we do. We also want to express thanks for those who support us financially. Even though God is faithful to keep our doors open, it would be so much easier if more could catch the vision and be part of our support team. All gifts are welcome and appreciated, and no gift is too small. Tax-deductible gifts can either be sent to the post office box: 1075 – Beloit, WI. 53512 or given online via PayPal. The PayPal link is safe and secure and can be found on our web site:

http://www.overflowingcup.org/donate.htm



Scanning the QR Code to the left, your smart phone can take you right to our web site....

Thank you for Helping Us To Help Others.

Some Stories of People We Work With

- Every day we get phone calls from people needing assistance with gas to get to work or to a doctor's appointment or simply to look for work. We have given away thousands of dollars in financial assistance in the past two years alone. We always take the opportunity to tell them about Jesus and to pray with them.
- One example of someone we helped was a homeless woman. She and her teenage son moved from a larger city to get away from the crime. I received a call from the hospital at 11:00 on a Saturday night as they did not know what to do with her. So we put her up in motel since all homeless shelters were full. A local pastor helped us for a couple of more nights and by Wednesday they had room at the local shelter.
- We continue to provide transportation to food pantries, housing appointments or other agencies in order to apply for services.
- We provided furniture or referrals to those who have obtained housing or an apartment, but lack vital furniture.
- We continue to respond to Crisis, local law enforcement, other ministries/churches or agencies who refer people to our ministry for emergency needs including emergency food/meals.
- Occasional emergency 1 night shelter for those who are waiting to get into shelter, but need temporary assistance for the night especially in cold weather.
- We've added to our weekly Cup activities a Monday night "ALPHA" Series, Tuesday night Bible Study and Wednesday night Movie Night. Youth meet on Thursdays for games and discussion and Friday OPEN MIC.
- We continue to refer people with addictions to treatment and rehabilitation programs.

Every day we have opportunity to share the hope that is within us thru JESUS. Since our inception in 1974, we have consistently reached out to at-risk youth in this community as well as to the homeless and the hurting.



Volunteers ready to serve more than 200 meals



Isaiah 43:19 says that "God will do a new thing....." We believe that God is not finished with us yet. He continues to sustain this ministry for His honor and glory. Please continue to pray for us as we reach out to others.

In His Service,

Dave Fogderud, Founding Pastor

My wife Diana and all of our Volunteer Staff offer their prayers and blessings

A Special THANKYOU to our Donors and Volunteers.