

Grace Center Inc.'s mission is: providing nutritious food and promoting social interaction with commitment and grace to our rural community.

The Grace Gazette

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Grace Center

701 W. Popcorn Rd.

Harrodsburg, Indiana

812-824-5595

OUR PANTRY HOURS

Pantry Hours:
Tuesdays
10:00 am-12:00 pm
Thursdays
5:00pm-7:00pm
 (Located in back of Community Hardware)
Serving Clear Creek, Indian Creek, and Polk Townships

WISH LIST GOAL:

Canned Fruit:
Peaches, Apricots, Applesauce, Pineapple, Pears, Mandarin Oranges, Fruit Cocktail, Mixed Fruit,

CAN YOU HELP?

Kroger Gift Card Reload Update

We met our goal again!

Kroger sent Grace Center a check for **\$154.18!** Keep reloading those cards. Use your card to buy **groceries and gas!** A great way to help Grace Center without spending any extra money!



Who can come to the Community Dinner?

EVERYONE!

How Grace Center helped the Community in November
363 Adults served
145 Children helped
191 Families helped
415 Bags of Food given
8 New Families Helped

Board Members:

Tina Baugh, President
Debbie Woodward, Vice President
Steve Fichtner, Treasurer
Linda Brammer, Secretary
Jim Baugh, Incorporator/Member at Large
Clarissa Hawk, Mem. at Large

A HEART FOR OTHERS

Most of us have heard the saying 'it is better to give than receive' and many of us teach our children about giving gifts to others at Christmas, birthdays or other special occasions. I have heard people share thoughts like 'God loves a cheerful giver' and 'give and it will be given to you' many times. As a child my parents taught me a verse from the bible that goes like this:



"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap.

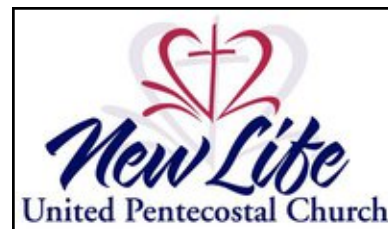
For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." Luke 6:38

I realize at this point in life, I have ignored these words much too often. I would give, but not cheerfully. I would share, but under protest. I would consider others, but not before myself. I realize I still have a lot to learn and much to do. The following stories are good examples of giving. With the help of others I am continuing to learn what giving is all about:

On December 1, the IU School of Education Staff Council held a 'Charity Auction' to benefit area agencies. Grace Center, Inc. will receive part of the money collected from this occasion! Thank you Sara Sturgeon and others at the School of Education for taking the time to plan and conduct this wonderful event. Thank you to everyone who contributed items to be sold and to those who were willing to purchase these items. Your cheerful giving will warm the hearts of many.



During the first part of December, the Presidents Office Staff at IU held a food drive to help Grace Center, Inc. This food drive brought in 253 lbs of food! Thank you Vicki Petermichel and others at the Presidents Office for taking the time to plan this event, donate food, and transport it to the food pantry. Your sharing with others is a great testimony to the warm hearts you bestow.



In the months of November and December the New Life Pentecostal Church has been busy. Busy helping others. They have gathered and donated 240 lbs of food to Grace Center! What a joy it is to experience people caring for others, not out of duty but from the heart, not under protest but willingly. All we can continue to say is 'thank you'. Your cheerful giving does not go unnoticed!

Throughout this holiday season there have been other churches and businesses busy working for others. The Harrodsburg United Methodist Church brought 42 coats to warm the patrons at Grace Center as well as 70 lbs. of food. Jellystone Park at Lake Monroe happily gave 35 lbs. of food. Harrodsburg Assembly of God again brought their monthly monetary donation, donated 12 lbs of food and one of their members has a mission group that will pick up the tab for the pizza that will be served at the holiday party. Southern Hills Church of Christ merrily donated 36 lbs. of food from their Harvest Festival along with a monetary donation. Again, what a pleasure it is to continue to see caring people love their neighbors.



With the help of our area churches, businesses, families and individuals, Grace Center will continue to help provide food to those in our community who are in need. Giving is vital and as I observe the kindness, generosity and help that our community is providing, I get goose bumps when I realize that the term 'give and it will be given to you' has never been made more clear than at this moment. For the love that I have felt thinking about and thanking all those who give, has blessed me more than words can say.

Have a happy, healthy, cheerful holiday season and may the coming year be filled with joy for you and your families. -Tina Baugh and the Grace Center, Inc. Board of Directors

Community Center Activity Calendar

www.gracecenterindiana.org

End of December and January email: gracecenterinc@gmail.com

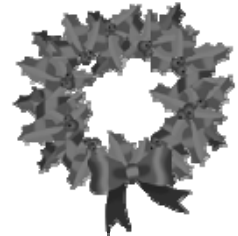
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11	12	13 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm	14	15 Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm	16	17
18	19 Ladies Craft Night Smithville Com. Center, 6:30 Contact Patty, 824-2611	20 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm	21	22 Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm	23	24
25	26	27 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Euchre 12:30pm-2:30pm No Community Dinner	28	29 Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm	30	31
January 1	2	3 Food Pantry 10am-12noon	4	5 Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm Harrodsburg Lions Club 6:30pm	6	7
8	9	10 Food Pantry 10am-12noon Euchre 12:30-2:30pm Grace Center Board Meeting at Community Hardware 6:00pm	11	12	13	14
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22	23	24 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm	25 Indian Creek Lions Club 7pm Call Lloyd at 824-9771 for location	26 Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm Valley Mission Church of the Nazarene Free Lunch Noon-1pm	27	28
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December 17 - Cookies with Santa at the Indian Creek Fire Department

SPECIAL THANKS TO:

- Everyone who has donated to the food pantry. You will never know the joy it brings to others to have food in their home and meals on their table. Your giving shows your concern for others, in many cases strangers that you will never meet. May God bless you richly!
- Darrell Anderson for donating 15 lbs. of Vienna sausage and crackers upon request.
- Teresa Hammock for donating 35 lbs of fresh pears and a jar of jelly.
- Therron, Angie and Mckayla Thomas for donating 5 lbs. of canned food and a canvas bag.
- Ray and Sandy Copas for donating 58 lbs. of candy that will be used for the holiday party.
- Ms. Chaney for bringing bread donated from Kroger South.
- Vivian Miller for donating 10 lbs of misc. food.
- Ashley Woodward for giving 23 lbs. of baby cereal and formula.
- Maple Grove Homeschool Coop for donating 109 lbs of misc. food
- Courtnei Peek for giving 7 lbs. of misc. food items.
- Sherry Fichtner of donating 18 lbs. of misc. food.
- Cheryl Munson for giving 33 lbs. of fresh squash.
- Bob and Sue Hearth for giving 15 lbs. of meat from their freezer.



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Return Service Requested

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