

## Thank You

Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless, maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed.

Rescue the weak & needy, deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

Psalms 82: 3-4

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February 2023

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

I'm not sure if we managed to hit a thousand hallelujahs the night Pray Oregon Coast was at the Mission but I'm guessing we got close. At the Mission I have been blessed to be a witness to and experience some amazing things. While it might not have the singular importance that a baptism has the night Pray Oregon Coast was at the Mission will definitely go down in my personal journal as one of the best

experiences I have had at the Mission. After dinner was over at 5pm we folded up and removed every single table in the cafeteria and set up the sixty extra chairs provided by Mark Anderson (thank you Mark!) and eighty-five we had at the Mission and then watched as Gods people filled the building. Every chair had a body in it and people were standing in the hallway! And we worshipped our Lord and prayed and worshipped again! A truly special evening with eight different pastors in attendance. I would like to say thank you again Daniel Fox of Riverview for leading the worship and organizing the event. I can't wait for the next one.

Jeremiah 17:14 "Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; Save me, and I shall be saved, For You are my praise."

I wrote last month about Ben and Ashley's baptism. This month I'm blessed to get to share with you another praiseworthy event in their life. The return of their children Mason, Ryleigh and Arrianah. When Ben and Ashley came back to us the second time their children were no longer living with them. I remember Ben telling me he was willing to do whatever it took to get his kids back. They had been living on the streets addicted to heroin and fentanyl and the children had been forced to live with their grandparents. This was the road they were not willing to travel down for their addiction, the separation of their children.

So they came back to the Mission searching for God to restore them. The first time they were at the Mission I had had to ask them to leave at 11:00pm after calling the police. But the God I serve is a God of second chances who doesn't give up on people. So when they asked to come back again the look in both their eyes said they were ready. Ready to surrender their will and follow a different path. Jesus Christ.

I mentioned in the last newsletter I couldn't be prouder of two people. These two, husband and wife, completely submitted to the programming here at the Mission. They spent hours upon hours with our Care Coordinator, Bonney, developing a recovery program. They enrolled in Bay Area First Step for treatment services, attended every extra recovery meeting they could attend and sought support from other people who could help mentor them.

August

Meals: 2419 Overnights: 1052









Their faith led them straight into baptisms at Landmark Church. Professing Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and letting God return their children when He was ready. They didn't have long to wait and I do believe it is a direct result of their commitment to Him. Never once have they argued or say they weren't willing to do one of the million things required of them for their recovery. Both are always ready to listen and take instruction.

So it is with great joy that I get to report that all three children are living at the Mission with their parents. Way to go Ben and Ashley. Jesus rocks!

Bonney

## Mission Needs

Food; Shredded Cheese,
Lunch Meat, Salad
Dressing, Cereal
Canned Soups
Clothes; Mens' Jeans 30-34
Inch waist
Other Items; Mens
and
Womens Deodorant,
Razors, Shampoo,
Womens Underwear,

Thank You!

Hair Brushes





I want to give a special thank you to Anthony Hernandez the new owner of Coos Bay Toyota for donating the 2023 Highlander that is the South Coast Gospel Missions daily driver. Anthony came here from Idaho and took over Toyota last May. When he learned what it is we do here at the Mission he couldn't wait to help. It was truly amazing to see how eager he was to make a positive impact in the community by supporting the Mission. This vehicle allows us to transport residents to the hundred different places they need to go to successfully transition from homelessness and pick up supplies for the Mission. It is an essential tool of the Mission. Thank You Anthony!

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