

Gather up your family and friends and join your neighbors for Faith Mission's

13th Annual Turkey Stampede!



All proceeds benefit the men, women and children served by Faith Mission.

Thursday, November 25th

8:30-10:30 a.m.

Elkhart Health & Aquatics Center (200 E Jackson Blud., Elkhart)

Sign up today: theFaithMission.org/turkeystampede



Turkeys

Hams

Dinner rolls

Stuffing

Carrots, celery, onions and potatoes

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mushroom soup

Directions: Combine with love and feed 18,000 hungry people each month.

Help us fill the pantry with holiday meals for all our guests and shut-ins. Please drop off donations at 801 N. Benham Ave., Elkhart. For more information, please call (574) 293-3406.

> No time to shop? Make a gift at the Faith Mission.org

Calling all Volunteers

Individuals, groups or families are all welcome. For more information, call Vera at (574) 293-3406, ext. 103. Or go to theFaithMission.org and click on "Get Involved" then "Volunteer".

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It's easy to give your gift online: theFaithMission.org.

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"The most amazing support I've ever received in my life!"

aren had just 24 hours to move herself and all her belongings out of the place she had lived for three years.

Thanks to your support of Faith Mission, she was able to find a new home and a new life.

Read more of her story inside!

Just for you...

- REJOICE
- "I have a new outlook on life!"
- 13th Annual Turkey Stampede

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NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ROSS SWIHART

"I will say it again: REJOICE!"

The holidays are a time for celebration and rejoicing.

But how hard is it to rejoice if you are hungry? Or homeless? If you're in prison? Or facing eviction?

The Apostle Paul shared his secret with us in Philippians 4:13: "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength."

Actually, it's no secret at all. Those who are empowered by Christ can do not only the possible, but the impossible as well.

This is the message you help us share each and every day!

It's shared with those who come to the Mission for a simple meal. With the men and women who are building better lives in our long-term residential programs. It comes with every piece of clothing and every cup of coffee.

It's an integral part of services for individuals in our new Tiny Shelters, as well as families in our new Tiny Homes.

With your help and support, everyone seeking help at Faith Mission will have the opportunity to find not just food, clothing and care, but joy and hope in Jesus Christ.

REJOICE!

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Welcome Home!





By Thanksgiving our first guests will be welcomed into the new Tiny Homes and Tiny Shelters which offer individuals a short-term respite from homelessness and an entry to Faith Mission's support programs to help them get back on their feet.

These wonderful new tiny shelters would not have been possible without the partnership of The Crossing School and the generosity, support and hard work of hundreds of donors and volunteers. BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU!



Pray, Give Thanks and Rejoice!

Please join us as we:

Give thanks for the opening of our new Tiny Shelters for individuals and Tiny Homes for families!

Pray for continued strength and guidance for the men and women in our long-term recovery programs who are receiving the tools and care they need to get back on their feet.

Give thanks for the grace of God and the support of our donors, volunteers and staff who have enabled the Mission to minister to those in need in our community during these difficult times.

Pray for those still in need, including homeless families and individuals facing winter on the streets.

Rejoice in the coming celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior.

Your prayers and thanks: Please include your prayer request or thanks on the back of your gift slip and return it to the Mission.

"I have a new outlook on life!"



aren has faced many struggles in her life – the deaths of her mother and her husband, some severe health issues and downsizing that resulted in the loss of her last job.

Before coming to the Mission for shelter, she relied on the community meals here – and help from friends – just to have enough food to eat.

"I would pray, 'Please, Lord, let me have enough money so I can get some eggs at the store or so I can get an \$0.88 loaf of bread. And please let my friend call today and say, 'Hey, would you like to go to the Mission for lunch?' so I can know I'm going to have at least one meal today.""

"The meals at the Mission became a major lifeline for me," she remembers. "That was the difference between me not eating for a couple of days and me being able to eat every day."

Once her savings ran out, she lost her room in the weekto-week hotel where she had been living for three years. With just 24 hours to move all her belongings, she called Faith Mission and found a place to stay. Within a week, she had joined our Training Faithful Women program.

"If it weren't for all of my friends here, and my strength and faith, I wouldn't be able to get up every day!"

Now that she has graduated, Karen is part of the Faith Mission family, helping others who come to the Mission. "I really enjoy talking with people and getting to know their stories," she says.

Growing up in a Christian home, Karen dedicated her life to serving God at 13. Today, in addition to her work at the Mission, her goal is to go back to school and get a degree in Biblical Studies, then work on the staff at a local church where she now does story time for children.

Thanks to your support, Karen has not only deepened her relationship with God but gained the opportunity to be self-reliant.

"I had very little when I came to the Mission," Karen says. "But even if I were to leave today, I would leave with some of the most amazing friends and some of the most amazing support I've ever received in my life!"

Thank you for making a difference in Karen's life through your generous partnership!

Christmas Gift Bags



Receiving meals and shelter is a blessing for the men, women and children here at the Mission. You can help make this Christmas extra special for those who call Faith Mission home. Lift their spirits and spread the joy of the holiday by filling a Christmas bag.

120 needed

Men's Gift Bags

Stocking Hat
Shaving Cream
Pair of Gloves
Body Lotion
Pair of Socks
Christmas Candy
Disposable Razor
Deodorant
Card of Encouragement

40 needed

Women's Gift Bags

Stocking Hat
Shaving Cream
Pair of Gloves
Deodorant
Pair of Socks
Body Lotion
Disposable Razor
Christmas candy
Card of Encouragement

Please mark your bag(s) "man" or "woman" and drop off at the Mission. Please call Mike Perez at (574) 293-3406, ext. 105 if you have questions.

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