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Merry Christmas!

It is hard to believe that 2023 is almost over. It has been a good year for the Mission, and we have enjoyed serving our guests and our community with your help and generosity. On November 2nd, we had our annual Night at the Mission, with a twist.....we had a noon luncheon! We were honored to have Mayor Jason Salamun as our guest speaker. He focused on the homelessness issue the city is experiencing and acknowledged the importance of the work Cornerstone Rescue Mission does in this community. Francis Kaufman did a great job highlighting his journey of staying at the Mission to becoming the Vice President of our Board! A special thank you to all our sponsors and donors for believing in the work we do. A big thank you to Ron Johnsen for planning and hosting the event - Great Job!

We live in such a giving community. We are receiving several donations from groups, businesses and individuals who want to ensure our guests have a wonderful Christmas. We are always amazed at the generosity all year long, but especially during the Christmas season.

Dr. Mark Harlow, our Board President, brought in this poem and we would like to share it with you!

*"I asked God for strength, That I might achieve.
I was made weak, That I might learn humility...*

*I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life.
I was given life, that I might enjoy all things...*

*I asked for health, That I might do greater things.
I was given infirmity, That I might do better things...*

*I got nothing that I asked for, But everything I had
hoped for.*

*I asked for riches, That I might be happy.
I was given poverty, That I might be wise...*

*Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were
answered.*

*I asked for power, That I might have praise of men.
I was given weakness, That I might feel the need for
God...*

I am among all God's people, most richly blessed."

Author unknown

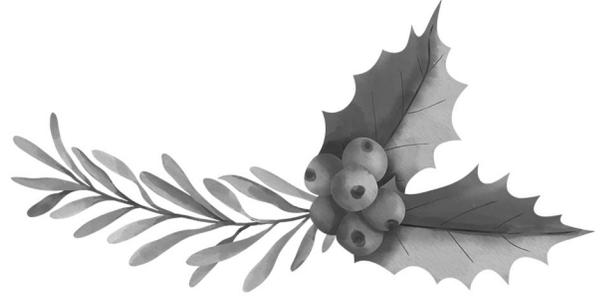
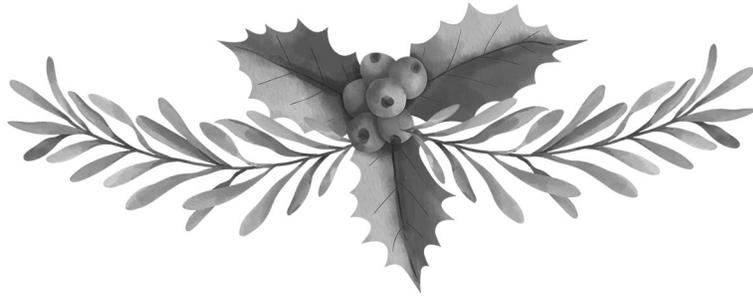
May you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and enjoy the many blessings God has bestowed on you and your families. Jesus truly is the reason for the season!

Peace, Lysa





The Global United Pageant group held a fun plate painting event at the Women & Children's Home. The ladies and kids had so much fun painting plates. They really got creative with them! Pictured are Hope and Braxton Short, who are part of the Global United Pageant group. Thanks again for this fun event!



Ann Hines (Program Director for West River Retired Senior Volunteer Program) brought over to Teena Conrad (Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program Coordinator) coats, gloves, socks, and a check for \$100 for the Veterans staying at Cornerstone from their Make A Difference Day coat drive. They do this every year and we are so thankful for their kind hearts and generosity!





Lynne and Greg Williams dropped off an absolutely wonderful donation of new men's long underwear, underwear, t-shirts, sweatpants, socks and hats. The Parkview Evangelical Free Church took up a collection for these items and Lynne did the shopping. It was such a nice donation of so many useful things! Thanks to everyone at Parkview Evangelical Free Church and thanks to Lynne and Greg for doing the shopping!



Synchrony Veterans Network held an event at the Moose Lodge called Super Dogs for Super Heros. The purpose of this event was to pair Veterans with rescue dogs. What a great idea! They also gathered personal care items for the Veterans at Cornerstone and Darcey Segatti-West dropped them off. Thanks to everyone who donated!



Highmark Credit Union donated their Jeans Day Fund to Cornerstone. They brought over a check for \$1,000. What a great Surprise! Thanks to all the staff at Highmark Credit Union for blessing Cornerstone with this generous gift!



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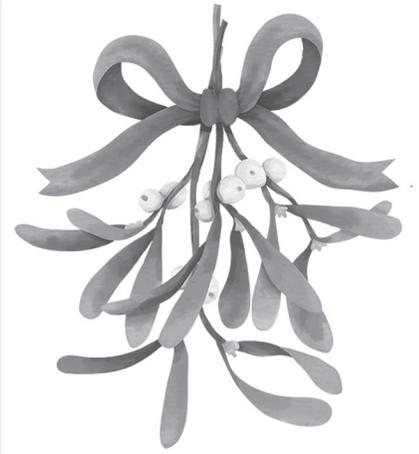
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About You Physical Therapy held a coat/hat/gloves donation drive for Cornerstone. Angela Estes, Jeni Clark (both pictured), staff members, patients and others contributed to the cause. When speaking to Angela, she said that the focus of their facility is “transforming lives from surviving to thriving through physical therapy, spiritual healing, and contributing to the community”. They certainly contributed to our guests’ well-being! A big thanks to About You Physical Therapy and everyone who contributed!



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Needs List:

MEN'S MISSION - 30 Main St.

KITCHEN: Spaghetti sauce, tomato sauce, canned beans, salsa, BBQ sauce, salad dressing

MISSION: Foot powder, towels, twin-sized blankets, twin-sized sheets, reading glasses, bottled water for sack lunches, personal hygiene items for men & women, backpacks.

WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOME - 301 Fox Run Drive

Coffee, eggs, milk, cereal, sandwich bread, butter, sugar, laundry soap, dish soap, kleenex, clorox wipes, personal hygiene items.

CORNERSTONE THRIFT STORE - 401 - 11th Street

Beds, furniture, small appliances, kitchen items, home décor.

VETERANS - 30 Main St.

Shoes, boots, sugar, creamer, antiperspirant, lotion, backpacks, coffee.

APARTMENTS - 1220 East Blvd.

Dish soap, household cleaners, toilet paper, laundry soap.

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(The enclosed envelope is for your convenience. We are serving more people every day. Your help is appreciated!)