

January 2016

Operation Reach Out

"...As you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to Me." (Matt 25:40)

A Christian organization in Union County, NC, helping meet people's physical and spiritual needs.

Phone: 704-289-4237

Email: opreachout@aol.com

Website: www.opreachout.org



Reaching Out...This past month,



- Provided food from our food pantry to 99 families.
- Provided 22 emergency food boxes.
- Delivered food to senior sites 3 days a week.
- Shared food with a local children's home.
- Served a total of 557 lunches (and God's Word) to our Bible study friends.
- Helped with 11 families' power bills.
- Helped provide kerosene for 2 families.
- Provided gasoline for 6 persons.

Co-Workers in God's Service

In 1 Corinthians 3:6-9, we read how one plants the seed, another waters it, and God makes it grow. God's Word tells us that we are to work together with one purpose, to be servants of God, to be "co-workers" in God's service.

This week at Operation Reach Out, God brought us a young man—only 25 years old. He was starting a new year in Monroe after being homeless in Florida for many years.

He needed to be "watered" with God's love.

He had nothing but a step-father who brought him to us for help. The step-father could only "plant the seed"; we "watered it" by providing some basic items and by providing him the TRUTH of God's love for him and His eagerness to make him NEW in Christ.

It is now God who will "grow" the young man.

Co-workers in God's service!

Thank you for serving with us in 2015 at Operation Reach Out! We are excited to see how God will grow in 2016 what we have planted and watered!

Blessings,
Sharon

Joseph's Pantry

Greatest Needs:

- Boxes of cereal
- Grits
- Oatmeal
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Pasta (not rice)
- Pasta sauces
- Canned meats
- Canned/boxed potatoes
- Canned fruits

Food may be dropped off at Operation Reach Out (1308 Miller St. in Monroe) or at Finders Keepers (800 Skyway Drive in Monroe). For large donations, you may call 704-289-4237 for pick up!



Fuel Fund

In addition to serving the spirit of those in our community, we strive to serve the body as well.

We have been blessed with a very mild fall and beginning of winter. The next couple of months may not be so mild.

Will you help us provide heating fuel for those who are struggling to stay warm?



To make an online donation, go to www.opreachout.org and click on FUEL FUND.

Or you may mail your donation to Operation Reach Out at P.O. Box 403, Monroe, NC 28111. Make check payable to Operation Reach Out and write "FUEL FUND" on the memo line.

Thank you for remembering these folks!

Operation Reach Out is 100% supported by proceeds from Finders Keepers and by donations from individuals, churches, & civic organizations. If you'd like to be a part of what we do, either by volunteering or making a donation, please go to www.opreachout.org or call 704-289-4237.

Nourishing Body & Soul

Daily Bible Study & Lunch 12:00-1:00 PM

Call 704-289-4237 or email opreachout@aol.com if you'd like to provide a meal.

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
				1 CLOSED
4 Union Methodist	5 Essence of the Cross	6 Weddington UMC	7 Margaret & Margaret	8 Lakeview Baptist
11 Waxhaw UMC	12 Mountain Springs Woman on Mission	13 Weddington Moms in Prayer	14 Open Hands	15 FBC Weddington
18 CLOSED	19 FBC Weddington	20 Prospect UMC	21 AVAILABLE	22 Lakeview Baptist
25 Diana Neer	26 AVAILABLE	27 Mountain Springs Woman on Mission	28 Roanoke Baptist	29 AVAILABLE

Finders Keepers

800 Skyway Drive in Monroe, across from the Farmer's Market.

Hours: Tues-Fri 10 am-5 pm ~ Sat 9 am-4 pm ~ Sun-Mon CLOSED

As always, **THANK YOU SO MUCH** to those who have donated clean, gently-used, unbroken, complete, and organized items!

With our limited volunteer help, we appreciate your help in making the sorting, pricing, & shelving of items less time-consuming.



Our Current Needs:

- Infant/toddler sized HANGERS (not adult sized)
- Kids JEANS: size toddler to youth 16
- Bath & kitchen TOWELS & CLOTHS
- POTS & PANS (any & all...especially ones with lids)
- Queen & king SHEETS/BLANKETS (not twin or full)
- Men's JEANS & SHOES



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Bible Study & Lunch

Mon-Fri 12:00-1:00pm

At Operation Reach Out

Joseph's Pantry

(Food Distribution)

Mon-Fri 9:00-11:30am

At Operation Reach Out

Finders Keepers

(Resale Store)

800 Skyway Drive

Monroe NC 28110

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Donations appreciated! Drop off, or schedule a pick-up (704-289-4237)

Staff

Sharon McFadden—Director

Donna Vancil—Intake Coordinator

Pastor Eddie Williams—Counselor

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Pennie Edgeworth—Finders Keepers

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