

September 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.

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There is a season...

On August 1, 2016, I walked into the door of Operation Reach Out to begin a second season with a ministry that has always been very close to my heart.

*To everything there is a season &
a time to every purpose under heaven.
ECCLESIASTES 3:1*

My name is James Sessoms, and I am excited and humbled to be the new executive director of Operation Reach Out. One of my favorite scriptures—and my guiding light for many years—is Ecclesiastes 3:1: "To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

As I embark on the second season here at Operation Reach Out, I am very thankful to have my wife Brenda, who has been by my side for 38 years, giving me a thumbs up to see this ministry continue to reach those in our community. My two sons, their spouses, and my two beautiful granddaughters Aubrey and Tessa have also blessed this decision.

As co-founder of Operation Reach Out way back in 1987, I have watched our Heavenly Father bless this ministry to reach those who have come to receive the bountiful blessings He has given us.

To our staff, our board, our churches of Union County and, most importantly, our volunteers that make all this possible, I say THANK YOU! Please come by and say hi!

We continue to pray for your support and generous donations to our ministry!

God Bless,

*James Sessoms
Executive Director*

Throw in the Towel

During Month of October

Operation Reach Out is collecting gently-used bath towels during the month of October. These towels will be provided to homeless persons who shower at our facility, to families who have lost their homes & possessions, and to our resale store Finders Keepers.

Clean out your linen closet—we could use sheets, blankets, & spreads too!



Join Our Lunch Ministry!

Weekday Bible Study & Lunch

12:00-1:00 p.m.

We are always looking for more individuals or groups to provide lunch for the friends in our community who are struggling. Food can be prepared at home and needs to serve approximately 35-40 persons. It's only a once-a-month commitment...or whatever works for you!

If interested, please call our office at 704-289-4237 or email opreachout@aol.com.

Thank you!



taste of
UNION
2016

Operation Reach Out's 8th annual food-tasting event is

**Saturday, October 1, 2016
5:00-8:00 P.M.**

Union County Agricultural Center
3230 Presson Road (Monroe)

Support the ministries of Operation Reach Out and enjoy food samples from local restaurants, bid on a huge variety of silent auction items, participate in a 50/50 raffle, and dance to the sounds of **SoundBiz** !

Tickets are on sale now! Purchase by

- Visiting www.opreachout.org.
- Emailing tasteofunion@gmail.com
- Calling 704-289-4237
- Stopping by Finders Keepers
Tues-Fri 10-5 and Sat 9-4.

Participating Restaurants:

*Stone Table
Bruster's Real Ice Cream
Java Jeff
Chick fil-A
Olive Garden
Bisonte Pizza
Kate Clyde's Catered Creations
Pig-N-Vittles of Monroe
Nothing Bundt Cakes
Carolina Cake Artistry
Cakes by Anjella
Mainely Cupckes
Crumbz Bakery
Edible Arrangements
Papa Murphy's
The Southern Olive
Jefferson Street Deli*