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MISSION ARLINGTON AT YEAR'S END

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TILLIE BURGIN

... a Savior has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord. (Luke 2:11b)

Dear Friend,

We are thanking God for you. I know you give, not to be thanked, but so someone could have a better opportunity in life. Your continued support means so much to me. Everything we receive is considered a gift from God.

Early one morning a man was standing out in the cold in front of the Mission. He had walked from Fort Worth because his car had broken down and everyone along the way pointed him to Mission Arlington. He said, "I am not a bad person. I just need to get something to eat." It was an honor for me to pray with him and to encourage him as we were able to go to the food pantry and get him something to eat so he felt stronger.

He said, "I will be back and bring you some food for another stranger who may pass by."

We also received a note recently from one who had received help and is now a business man in another city. He wrote to say, "Keep up the good work, remain diligent and persevere, Mission Arlington. You never know what life you will touch and what a change you make in a person, in a family, in a community and throughout the world."

We will pray for you and we thank God for you. We would love for you to stop by to see us during this holiday time.



KAREN'S STORY

I first started attending a Mission Arlington Bible study with my parents. The Bible study met each week where we lived.

My mom and dad eventually became the Bible study leaders. All of my family tries to follow Christ faithfully each day.

I am excited that I am now a leader myself. Each week I teach 30 children about God and the Bible. I am grateful for my Mission Arlington family.

CHRISTMAS AT MISSION ARLINGTON

"IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR!"



The Christmas Store

December 9th—
December 23rd
[Excluding Sundays]

10:00 am to 6:00 pm

New (or nearly new) toys are needed for children and teenagers of all ages.

VOLUNTEERS & GROUPS ARE NEEDED!



Santa Arrives by Helicopter

Mission Arlington Bible studies take Mission Arlington children to see Santa Claus and his entourage (including Rudolph, Mrs. Claus, and more.) The festivities will happen on Saturday, December 16th, in the afternoon. Everyone, including the adults, enjoy watching Santa arrive.



Local Christmas Parties

Christmas parties hosted by so many different groups bring smiles to children and teenagers. All throughout the Christmas season businesses, schools, and civic organizations host Christmas parties for those who would not have Christmas without help. Thanks!

MISSION ARLINGTON'S FALL FESTIVALS

As an alternative to Halloween, Mission Arlington hosted ten fall festivals in multiple locations. More than 2,500 people enjoyed the fun.



LARGE CROWDS ATTENDED.
EVERYONE HAD A GOOD TIME.



CHILDREN ENJOYED THE HAY RIDE
OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

ST. ALBAN'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL LAUNCHES "SHOES TO SHARE"



St. Alban's Episcopal School is launching an all school community service project, "Shoes to Share." New and gently worn shoes will be collected throughout the year and distributed to Mission Arlington children. The school received a grant from the Meadows Foundation to assist in this outreach project.



**Samantha's
Testimony**

OUR LIVES ARE DIFFERENT NOW

Because I was tossed around from church to church most of my childhood, my husband and I, as adults, never went to church. One day six years ago a good friend of ours took our daughter to Grace Street, a Mission Arlington congregation. Slowly the whole family started attending. We learned of God's love there, and it has changed our lives. John 3:16 is one of my favorite verses.

Many families go through hard times, and ours was no exception. I can say without hesitation that God has changed our lives. He has seen us through many health issues, the passing of my beloved dad, and so much more. He has placed the most beautiful people in our lives who have prayed faithfully with and for us. The LORD is everything to us now. We thank God for our church and for our Mission Arlington family.

Reasons to Support Mission Arlington

- ◆ **IT'S ABOUT PEOPLE!**
Mission Arlington is a family of **ordinary people** caring for people one life at a time. It's working.
- ◆ **YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS!**
Mission Arlington depends upon you and your support. **Your help is needed**, and we are grateful for it.
- ◆ **WE'RE STILL GOING!**
Mission Arlington has been serving our community faithfully for **twenty years**.

How to Support Mission Arlington

- ◆ **WRITE A CHECK!**
Cash gifts, no matter how large or small, help Mission Arlington help people. You can bring it in personally, or send it to **210 W. South St., Arlington, TX 76010**.
- ◆ **USE YOUR CREDIT CARD!**
A fast and easy way to make your contribution. Call Mission Arlington, and we will help facilitate your gift, or donate online missionarlington.org/donate.

Giving Statements Available by E-mail

Giving Statements are now available by e-mail. If you have given in the last year, and would prefer your yearly giving statement by e-mail, please contact the mission offices at 817-277-6620 or e-mail us at mission@missionarlington.org.

TOGETHER WE CAN DO MORE!

