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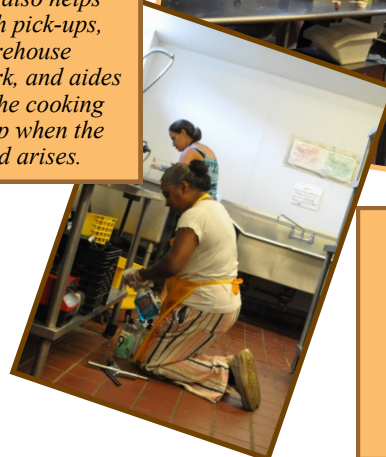
Scenes of Summer '23



◀ ▶
*Scenes of
Long
Island's
outreach
on
Thursdays,
early
evening. ▶
Meals*



◀ *Brother An-
drew is a faith-
ful volunteer
who not only
attends each
NYC outreach,
but also helps
with pick-ups,
warehouse
work, and aides
in the cooking
prep when the
need arises.*



◀ *Lincia & Mary
diligently
cleaning up after
cooking. A little
prayer time also
while on her
knees! LOL!*



Quote Of The Month

**"No act of
kindness,
no matter
how small,
is ever
wasted."**

Anne Frank



◀ The Summer outreaches were very productive this year. Though oftentimes there is a summer slump in ministries during this time, the Lord provided us with enough help to do each outreach. There is no greater feeling you can experience, than when a hungry person says thank you to you for coming out in hot weather to feed the less fortunate.



◀ Maritza Moerler preaching the gospel in Spanish during Long Island outreach.
▶ Jimmy Moerler preaches each outreach in Farmingdale. This couple has a passion for street preaching and soul winning. That they can minister in Spanish as well has been a great blessing.



Preachin' The Word

This year we have been blessed to have some long time friends of mine coming to every Thursday outreach to preach to all those we serve. Meet Jim & Maritza. Every Thursday they arrive with their sound system and minister the Word of God, praying for all those who ask for prayer, handing out bibles and tracts. They have been a beautiful blessing to those in our clientele, as they are bilingual and can reach those among the non-English speaking crowd. I first met this couple when my church was starting to feed the homeless in NYC back in the mid '80's. They were church youth leaders and had their group make sandwiches for the homeless. Having a heart for the poor and homeless, they have continued street ministry every opportunity they see. Lives are being changed, souls saved, and they continue to make the difference for many families, to the glory of God. Please keep them and their family in your prayers as God continues to use them to bring the Good News to the least, the last, and the lost.

Preparing For The Holidays

I feel as if I say this every year... but here goes again.... It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner. This means we are hard at work with preparations for the season. We rely on our partners and friends for support, be it financial, physical or prayer support. Your help is needed. Won't you take a moment to pause during this busy season and consider how you can participate in helping us meet the extra costs incurred during the Holidays? We love when churches or civic groups come up with creative ways to raise funds.

Consider having your group run a food drive, a bake-off contest, or something unique and fun to help us raise the funds needed during this time. As we have seen during these past few years, prices for food, gas, energy and rents have hit the American home hard. Whatever you can do, we know it will be a sacrifice, and we also want you to know we value and appreciate everything you do to help us continue reaching those in need today. Please consider sponsoring a child or even a family during this festive season.

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Thank you and May the Lord bless you!

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*"For I know
the plans that I
have for
you...plans to
give you a
hope and a
future."
Jeremiah 29:11*



Dear Friends,

Jose frantically knocked on the front office door, while ringing the bell as well. It was after hours, while a brother from England, Paul Edwards was working on a special project with us in the office. Paul quickly let the man in. In broken English, he apologized that he couldn't come during our regularly scheduled outreach. With tears in his eyes, he claimed he had no food to feed his wife and children. Jose had just found employment and he would not be paid for another ten days. He was desperate and scared. As we assured him we would give him the food he needed to feed his family for the next week, he began to cry telling us his story. Though he had his working papers and green card, he still had trouble finding stable work. His entire family came over from Salvador, escaping poverty and persecution. Paul, Mike and I prayed for this gentle soul and gave him a Spanish Bible along with food for a week. These are the stories of real lives being changed by the Lord as we persevere in this work.

Stomachs are not the only things being fed. Souls are as well. God is moving in the hearts of those whom we are reaching. We have a beautiful addition to our Long Island team of volunteers, Jim and Maritza. They are long time friends of mine and have a powerful anointing for street preaching. They faithfully come to our Thursday outreach to minister the word of God in preaching and in song, both in English and in Spanish, praying for those who request prayer. Many do request prayer. And they are coming back to us with their praise reports!... Who received a job; who received a miracle in their marriage; yet another came back to say the pain she had struggled with in her back went away. We are seeing answers to prayer in a powerful way.

During this past summer things have been busy at Hope For The Future. Putting a dent in hunger on Long Island and in NYC has kept us quite busy, to say the least. We are moving ahead full speed here at our Farmingdale headquarters and we are seeing God move in a very special way. And in spite of the past summer lull that comes with lack of volunteers and a slump in giving due to vacations, the work goes on. God doesn't stop working because it's summertime. And now that the holidays are fast approaching we continue to need the help of our friends and partners. This work moves forward because of faithful people like you. It is through your stewardship, your time, talents and gifts that this work is made possible. We are so very thankful for you. So if you have a spare afternoon, or a little left over from your food budget won't you consider helping us continue to help the Joses' of New York? Please pray about how you can be of help and let us know. Between the kitchen, the warehouse and the office, I'm sure we can find a place for you!

May God continue to bless you, and your family, be encouraged as you continue to walk with Him.
May your Holiday season overflow with God's richest joy and provision for you and yours.

Sincerely In His Service,
Pastor Deborah Mitchell