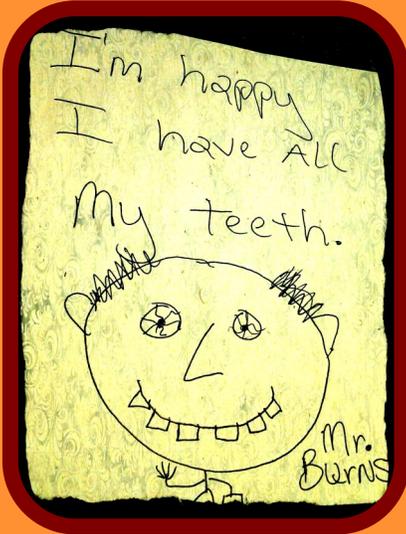




The City Gate

To Reclaim, Rebuild and Restore, Lost and Broken Lives

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD
HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER!



THANKFUL GUESTS

at The City Gate!

Thankful for a place with a warm heart to go -Chris Holcomb

Thank you for all my friends in the homeless community -Michael Fry

Always someone here to have a conversation with if I feel like talking. -J.D.

I am grateful to be alive, to meet such a beautiful woman, Sarah, and that I am saved by Jesus Christ and HIS mercy, Love, power, understanding, knowledge, and His almighty peace He gives. *

**It's wonderful when a meal is good for you!
You help provide that, thank you so much. -Calvin Brady**

I am thankful for Jesus Christ our only hope, deliverer, rock, Love of my life, Righteous One, Giver of Eternal Life. -Paula Webb

I am glad to have the free time to come to The City Gate and do things I want to do. You come to The City Gate so you can BE YOU! -*

I am grateful for having a place to come and get out of the weather. I am a regular user of the clothing bank and will be using your food bank as well. Being on a fixed income, both are a welcome addition to my budget. This has added to my quality of life. THANK YOU! -Ken

I used to be a professional but due to mixing alcohol with meds it put me in a bad state where I lost everything. I'm slowly starting to recover and get my life back on track. THANKS TO ALL OF YOU at The City Gate for helping me get back on the right track. God bless you! -*

THAT THE CITY GATE IS COOL! -MIKE

I'm thankful for the people and a place to get out of the weather and clothes and the food. -Tennessee

I love everything about the wonderful City Gate and it's people and food.-Chief Danny Hicks

I thank God that this place is of God and the people that I get to work with here. -B.P.

The Crow is thankful for the friends that are trying to help me and not "mess with my mind." THANK YOU! -The Crow

I am thankful that God has given me EVERYTHING I NEED and some of what I want. -*

God's grace. Also my arms, legs, fingers, toes and to see, taste, hear and smell! Also for The City Gate. Thank you! -Kevin J.

I am thankful for The City Gate's willingness, supportiveness and caring they come with every day to help and serve in a faithful way, sacrificing their own personal time to serve God. Peace be with you. -Vickie Smith

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The Alberta House

Not just low-income housing, it's often a first step into something much greater!

The Lord can, and does, use the Alberta House Apartments to help change lives. With the ministry that takes place upstairs at the Alberta House, many times we are planting seeds that we may never know when or where the crops are going to come in. The Lord is the One who controls the Harvest! However, recently, the Lord allowed us to SEE how a seed that was planted turned into a beautiful harvest!

We were visited by someone who, at one point, resided in one of our shelter rooms. They came in to share what the Lord had done in their life, and to say, "THANK YOU!" In addition to accepting Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior, they were very excited to share the whole new outlook on life they were experiencing!

Not only had the Lord changed this persons attitude from being "self" centered to God centered, they have changed from having a depressed, drug-addicted life, on the verge of losing their child to the state, to one who is finding JOY and PEACE in serving others while sharing the GOOD NEWS of Jesus Christ!

At this moment in time, it was exactly what we, as staff, needed to hear, encouraging us that WE REALLY ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE. It is a great reminder that our eyes need to always be on the Lord and not on ourselves, as well as our need to stay steadfast in HIS LOVE.

Carrie Brown
Apartment Manager



BOUNDARIES...

A line that marks the limits of an area, a dividing line, a point defining where things begin and end.

FOOD
for
THOUGHT

By Pastor John

Here at The City Gate, we are consistently setting boundaries not just for ourselves but to provide teaching opportunities for those we minister to. Establishing boundaries can often make us feel uncomfortable based on the response of others, but in the long run, Godly boundaries establish God's BLESSINGS!

Have you set one today?!



How YOU can help!

- Finances \$
- Winter Clothing
- Toiletries
- Dry/Canned Foods

THANKSGIVING NEEDS

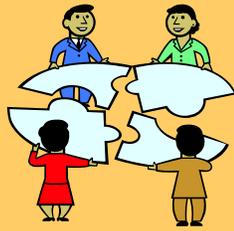
Volunteers

- Butter Pats 300
- Cool Whip 10-16oz tubs
- Butter 5 lbs
- Marshmallows 8-1g bags
- Orange Sherbet 4 gal
- Ginger ale 12-2 liters
- Orange Juice 15 gal
- Canned Yams 5-10lb cans
- Celery 15 bunches
- Ground Coffee 48 oz

CHRISTMAS NEEDS

- *Volunteers***
- \$ cash \$**

A WORD FROM THE BOARD



When I see people come into The City Gate, I see that they are from all walks of life and it amazes me how God puts us all together, kind of like a jig-saw puzzle.

Sometimes, our society mixes pieces up and then those pieces don't appear to fit well in the puzzle of life.

Well, I am here to tell you that each piece was designed to fit into it's proper place and we are to help people find THEIR place.

Let's make sure that we love each person and help them to find their "fit" rather than throw the piece away.

Christ died on the cross for ALL of us!

Love in Christ,
Todd R Clouse



Gifts & Donations



\$2,500
Gifts/Clothing/Food/Etc



**RECLAIMING, RESTORING & REBUILDING
Lost and Broken Lives**

- L-XL Thermal Socks
- Wrapped Candy
- M-XL Winter Gloves
- Bottled Water
- Consider donating CASH!

We only need \$2,500 for the cost of Back-Packs to fill with gifts for Christmas. A MUCH NEEDED ITEM for our downtown friends!

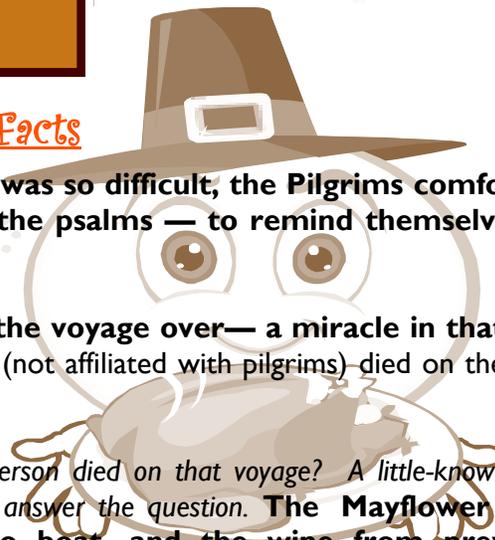


Thanksgiving Fun Facts

1) Because the voyage was so difficult, the Pilgrims comforted themselves by singing the psalms — to remind themselves of God's care.

2) No Pilgrim died on the voyage over— a miracle in that day and age. Only one man (not affiliated with pilgrims) died on the way over.

3) How come only one person died on that voyage? A little-known fact about the Mayflower helps answer the question. The Mayflower was normally a wine cargo boat, and the wine from previous voyages had soaked some of the beams and essentially acted as a disinfectant.



Providence and the Pilgrims
Book By Jerry Newcombe

Please Pray For:

- Alize & her mom, Anna
- Norma
- Downtown Ministries
- Marcy
- Joyce



The City Gate staff

- John Murinko, pastor
- Shirley Murinko, co-director/office mgr.
- Bonnie Murinko, co-director/food bank
- Jim Hahn, food bank
- Don Lanegan, dining room mgr.
- Danielle Green, kitchen
- Glory Phelps, kitchen
- Bruce Woolard, coffee station
- Terry Burke, cook
- Andra Phelps, public relations
- Wes Heimbecker, social services
- James Gulbranson, security
- Brenda Grimes, clothing bank
- Sue Shane, kitchen
- Carrie Brown, Alberta House Mgr.



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The City Gate

"A Gathering Place"

Matthew 11:28

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to see **MORE** of what your
prayers, financial support, and
donations are doing for the
inner-city of Spokane.

www.thecitygatespokane.org

Christmas

is right around the corner.

Time to

BRING IN GIFTS!

Go to **page 3**

to see how **YOU** can help.



Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

The King will reply,
Truly I tell you, whatever you
did for one of the least of
these brothers and sisters of
mine, you did for me.

DONATE or VOLUNTEER

Thanksgiving Dinner,
Wednesday, Nov. 27th,
OR
Christmas Dinner, Dec. 24th

CALL US!

Tue-Fri, 10-3, 455-9670

or message us on Facebook at
The City Gate.

October 2013 Lives Impacted

Kitchen:

6,757 meals served

Bread/Produce Share:

1,225 appointments

Food Bank:

200 people served

Clothing Bank:

184 people served

Volunteer Time:

550 hours



Without the support of volunteers who give their time and energy to this ministry, The City Gate would not be the haven it is to so many people. Whether you come once a week or once a year, you have contributed to keeping this place up and running. Your donations, regardless of time, money, food, or clothing, have done so much to help the people who walk through our doors everyday. As pastors and as Christians, we want to thank you for heeding the voice of the Lord and ask you to keep us in your prayers as we continue this journey.

Love, Pastor John & Shirley