

January 2019

*A look back to our
Christmas celebration...*



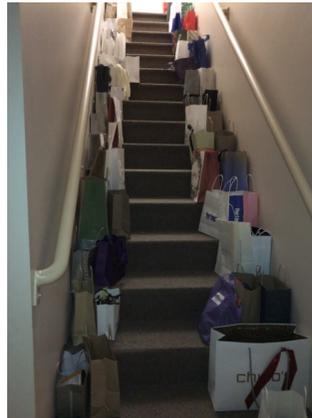
Gift bags with:

- Socks
 - Gloves
 - Razors
 - Hand warmers
 - Candy
 - PIZZA RITA SLICE
- CARDS for FREE PIZZA!**



Yummy dinner with:

- Cold cuts / rolls
- Little Smokies
- Meatballs
- Fruit Salad
- LOTS of Homemade cookies!



Nearly 300 meals served!!

Reclaim, Rebuild & Restore

By: John Kittel

Board of Trustees

Bill was restless, sitting amongst a group of peers, waiting for dinner at The City Gate on a recent Wednesday evening. Prior to the dinner, Jeremy was presenting a short message highlighting the need to recognize our sins and ask Jesus for forgiveness so that we can receive the gift of eternal salvation. All were paying attention, but anyone could see that Bill was uncomfortable. Afterwards, Bill asked to see Jeremy privately and told him that he thought his sins were so grievous that surely Jesus could not forgive him. Jeremy assured him that was not the case; that Jesus forgives ALL sins for those who truly put their trust in Him. Bill seemed relieved and asked Jesus into his heart.

The next Wednesday, however, Jeremy was dismayed to see Bill disheveled and looking the same as the prior week. He thought perhaps Bill had not

been honest in his prayer with Jesus and so he prayed for him. The following week, Bill came in to the dinner a changed man. He was dressed nicely, indicated that he had found a place to live and a possible job. Needless to say, Jeremy was overjoyed and knew that Bill had indeed been honest in his prayer.

Stories like Bill's are not uncommon at The City Gate. All who come are given the chance to **Reclaim, Rebuild & Restore** their lives through the ONE who gave His life to provide that opportunity. Admittedly, not all who come through our doors make that choice. Still, we do all we can to help by meeting physical needs, social needs, and most importantly, spiritual needs.

If you would like to help people like Bill, you can call (509-455-9670), come visit (170 S Madison St), visit our website (www.thecitygatespokane.org)

December Foodbank Stats

Households served: 181

Individuals served: 227



TOTAL

POUNDS...4945

* food bank stats DO NOT reflect the meals served from the kitchen

A letter of prayer request from Pastor John: Please join us in prayer for financial support through this extremely busy season, The need is great. We pray for wisdom & strength that only God can provide, to serve a community that rely on us to help them overcome their many challenges. Pray for our staff and volunteers as they work tirelessly to meet these needs, And for our board of trustees to guide us in our mission.



Volunteer opportunity!!

We have accumulated quite the clutter over the winter. Looking for someone or a group who can help clean and organize a couple storage rooms. A truck or trailer will be helpful as there will likely be a need to haul items away.



****Call Eric 455-9670****

Thank you to Horizon Air Spokane!

For your ongoing support of our ministry. Donated items are greatly appreciated. Working together to CHANGE LIVES!

Items donated so far:

- Brand new socks
- Brand new gloves
- Home made sleeping mats
- Clothes
- Hygiene items
- Non-Perishable food
- Blankets



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The City Gate

To Reclaim, Rebuild and Restore, Lost and Broken Lives

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The City Gate



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A Gathering Place...

“Come to me all who are weary and burdened and I will give you rest” — Matthew 11:28

Current Needs:

- Heavy duty garbage bags
- COFFEE...always coffee
- Men's Jeans
- Canned protein
- Large (#10) cans of pasta sauce
- Finances
- Volunteers for Ruthie's Corner

- **John Murinko** • **Jimmy Hahn**
- **James Gulbranson** • **Dale Sanchez**
- **Kathy Gibbons** • **Misti Santos**
- **Robert Santos**
- **Dave Volluz** • **Eric Murinko**
- **Buffie Harmon**



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, prayers 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