

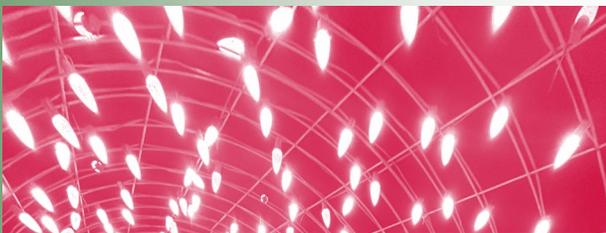
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“Then Jesus said to Simon, **‘Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.’** So they pulled their boats up on the shore, left everything and followed him.”
(Luke 5:10b-11)

November

As Jesus said this to Simon Peter, He painted a picture of what the call is of a follower of Christ. According to the parable in Matthew 13:47-52, the fishermen would pull their large nets full of fish back into their boats. They would then sort through each fish and throw the bad ones back into the water. In the same way, followers of Jesus will cast their nets of the Gospel into the waters of this world and bring in all who listen to its message. Then when the end comes, it says the angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous, just like the fish, and they will throw the bad ones into the flaming furnace. So our call is to be fishers of men, to throw out the Gospel in hopes that we’ll pull in a full net, and then let the Lord do the sorting. In the end, every heart will be laid bare and will be proven false or genuine. For now, keep throwing out your net faithfully, keep tossing out your seeds. The Lord will bless your faithfulness and obedience to that call, and he will take care of the rest.

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Fundraising

There's still a chance for you to give your donation to Forgotten Ministries! We are searching for one time givers who would like to support the mission God has given us to reach the lost and mobilize Gods church. We are still lacking \$20,000 to reach our goal for 2025. We are also searching for monthly sponsors who can give on a month to month basis whatever amount they choose. Whether the amount is \$10 or \$5,000, every bit helps us to maintain our facilities to continue our mission!

We want to thank all of our sponsors, not only those who attended the fundraiser in November, but those who give online and have given by mail as well. We hope that we can portray even a fraction of the impact that your sponsorship makes not just in the Enid community, but in communities across the United States. Your sponsorship keeps the lights on in our facility, helps us to create tools for other churches to use to reach their own communities, keep our mobile trucks and trailers going out into the local communities, feed hundreds of thousands of people each year, and so much more. Since we are not a government funded ministry, we wouldn't be able to do any of this without our generous sponsors. Thank you for what you do, we can't say it enough.

We are still working towards our financial goal to keep running our ministry in 2025, if you would like to help us reach our goal or become a monthly giver, you can give online through our website or mail a check to 1714 S 4th ST, Enid, OK 73701. Thank you all!



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Gift Wrapping

Thanks to our amazing volunteers and Emmanuel Christian School, we were able to get over 1,200 gifts wrapped this Christmas season! In the beginning of December, we dropped off a trailer of about 500 toys at Emmanuel Christian School. The amazing students and teachers at ECS wrapped them all in a matter of 2 weeks! We are so thankful, and we couldn't have blessed those children without their help! On December 12th, we had a gift wrapping party with over 800 gifts to wrap. We had 30+ incredible volunteers show up and wrap the piles of unwrapped gifts in just 2 short hours. We had volunteers from Waller middle School, the Enid High School Softball team, Dover Christian Church, Okeene First Baptist Church, and a handful of individuals from Emmanuel Baptist and more. Thank you so much to everyone who showed up for the Enid Community and supported the mission to spread the Gospel of Christ!



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Sleigh Walks

From December 16th to the 22nd, we had an outreach every night in different areas of Enid, Oklahoma. We had a grill, hamburgers, a Trailer decorated as a sleigh, Christmas gifts, and the message of the Gospel! Each night, different churches and volunteers partnered with us to go out and deliver the food, gifts, and the Gospel. We went to a neighborhood in East Enid, Pheasant Run Apartments, Willow Apartments, Pine Manor apartments, the neighborhood by Coolidge School, and downtown Enid. We had over 100 volunteers from 9 churches help make all of this possible this week.

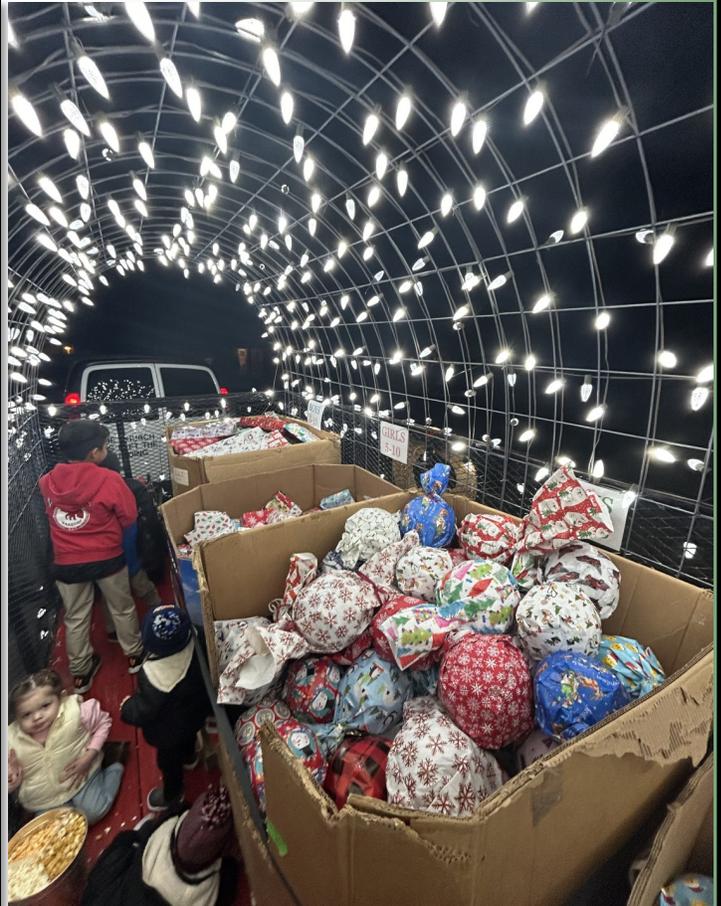
On the first Sleigh Walk of the week, there was a woman standing outside in her front yard talking on the phone and looking at all the commotion. When someone went up to talk to her, she didn't need any of the stuff we were giving out, but she needed a church. So she got connected with the pastor on the Sleigh Walk whose church is just down the road from her house. The Lord knew what she needed.

At another house that week, Jeremiah and Brandon knocked on the door to find a man who said he was just in the middle of praying for help when he was interrupted with a knock on his door. They had just moved there after losing their son. His wife was out looking for help at the church at that very moment. God knew what they needed.

Near Coolidge, a woman was trying to drive by but the Trailer was blocking her way. As she waited, some volunteers asked her if she needed prayer. The tears began to fall down her face as they prayed with her and she got connected with a church. God knew what she needed!

At another door, there was a son who had just moved there to care for his father who had Alzheimer's. They were able to pray with him and share the good news with him. God knew what he needed.

A group of volunteers knocked on a door and a young child, no older than 8 was home alone with their two younger siblings. They weren't supposed to open the door, but the neighbor came over and helped and said it must have been a couple days since they had last eaten and they definitely wouldn't be getting any Christmas gifts either. They gave food and gifts to the kids and shined the light of Jesus into their lives that night. God saw them and knew what they needed, He always knows.



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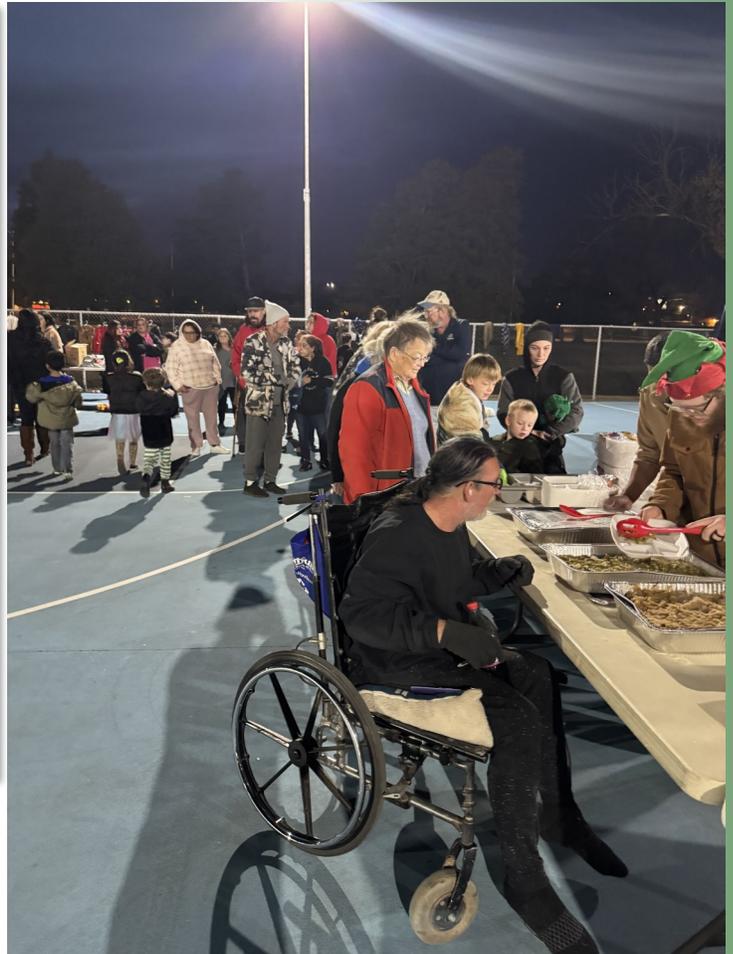


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Don Haskins Christmas Outreach

Partnering with Your Family Church, we were able to serve a full Christmas Dinner to over 200 people who came to the Christmas Event. Each year we giveaway Christmas Gifts for Children ages 0-18 at the Don Haskins Park Outreach. People came from the nearby apartment complex as well as from all over Enid! Many joyous smiles were seen on children's faces who enjoyed their new gifts and even some happy dances! The Gospel message was shared on the microphone so that all would hear the most important message of the hope we have in Jesus. They were also able to get free clothing, groceries, and amazon items to meet their needs. We are thankful for our volunteers with Repented and others who came to serve their community!



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FM Center Christmas

The sound of joy and excitement was in the air on the evening of December 19th in the parking lot of the Forgotten Ministries Center. It was a celebration for everyone in the New view Apartments, South Heights neighborhood, and anyone in Enid who was in need. After the night was over, there had been about 300 people who came to get a free meal, free Christmas gifts, groceries, amazon items, and to hear the Christmas story. The kids were filled with excitement as they gathered to hear the Christmas story read to them as they watched the live nativity scene. Sandys Tacos volunteered their time, food, and love to serve food to all the people who came. No one left with an empty stomach or an empty heart. Volunteers from Okeene First Baptist helped kids decorate their own sugar cookies. The volunteers also helped to give out gifts, help people find clothing, and give out groceries. It was incredible to see how God brought crowds of people even with very little advertisement. We were humbled that God was allowing us to meet their physical needs, and more importantly, show them the love and hope of Jesus. We are in awe of God!

