

Grace Gatherings

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House of Zion

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Dear Friends at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Once again we want to thank you for making it possible for many disadvantaged children along with their parents who were able to experience another miracle this December. Families had a great time at our Christmas program. The event again was in a safe and loving environment thanks to all the wonderful volunteers (from St. Luke in Portland, Salem and Woodburn) that participated. The families with the children arrived early and were eager and ecstatic to receive the food, toys and bag of candy.

This year we provided 723 children, their parents and relatives a warm Christmas meal supplied by the Gehring Family in Salem. Their delivery of 1000 hot dogs and buns made this possible. With your financial help we purchased fruit, cookies, chips, drinks and candy for the bags.

The donations also helped purchase other food, new toys, nail polish and make up kits for young teenage girls. For young male teen's lotions and other necessities were also bought as well as sets of gloves, hats, scarfs and so much more purchased.

We cannot thank enough all those who contributed handmade baby quilts and hats, clothing, toys and gifts for the children. And for all the families 400 bags of onions were donated by Northwest Onion Company, and the use of the Hyster to unload the onions came from Wilber –Ellis here in town. We are ever so grateful for your giving heart. Your willingness to help precious needy children and families in our communities weather the crises in their lives makes all the difference for them.

Again, thank you for your prayers and support to bless and make this miracle possible for all the children. You are a great part of their lives and this ministry.

Blessing,

Marta Garcia

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House of Zion Director

P.S. (Please be in prayer for Pastor Polo as he has been called to visit churches along the Mexico Border.)