



# Community Outreach

Please ask yourselves this question, “What have we done in the past year to reach out to the people in our community?” I would encourage you to make a list of all of your community outreach activities. Your list should tell you if you are doing all that can be done or if there are areas that can see improvement.

Community Outreach is vital to any growing, vibrant church. We need to take every opportunity possible to touch those around us. Christmas is a great time to reach out to others. The possibilities and ideas are endless! As you do your Christmas planning please give some serious thought as to how your group can make a difference.

Some suggested ideas are:

- Support the “Happy Tree.”
- *Honour community councils/workers, policemen, firefighters, garbage collectors, etc. with a little gift of appreciation.*
- Visit the local Canadian Blood services clinic and “give the gift of life.”
- Visit local seniors/homes for an afternoon of tea and Christmas carol singing.
- Host a Women’s Christmas evening for your community women and do a Christmas craft, Bible lesson and Christmas carol singing.
- Call your local school and see how you can assist them in their Christmas activities.
- Arrange a “Keep Christ in Christmas” walk throughout your community.
- Support the local food bank with a generous gift of food collected for the needy at this time of the year.



May God bless you as you take this time to reach out! Wishing you a blessed and happy season as we celebrate the greatest gift ever! The gift of God’s Son!

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