



# **The Samaritan**

# **November 2025**

#### FROM CRISIS TO CHRIST-CENTERED HOPE AND RESTORATION





**Jeff Noyed, Director** 

## **Thanksgiving**

On Tuesday, April 29th of this year five people were shot in the head at close range near the alley on 25th Street & Bloomington Avenue. Four died and one survived. The lone survivor was able to identify the family member who shot them all while they sat together in a car.

When we think about Thanksgiving this year let's double-down on being grateful to the family and friends that are around us, and let's say a prayer for this Native American Family who lost four, has one incarcerated, and another dealing with a Traumatic Brain Injury.



This summer, upon learning that one of the relatives was going to be evicted because she used her rent for funerals, Jericho Road helped with \$250 to ensure the eviction did not happen.

This month as Jericho Road distributes over 300 thanksgiving baskets there will be a quantity given directly to the grieving family members.

Flowers continue to be placed by family & friends this fall at the place where the shooting took place.

### Give to the Max Day

A \$10,000 match is in place this year for all who contribute to Give to the Max on Thursday, November 20, 2025.



Simply go to Give to the Max and type in Jericho Road Min-

istries where it says "find a cause and click give." You can also give during the month to this special match by sending a check or giving online and indicating it is for the Match.

Increasing costs for food purchased, government shut-downs creating higher demand, and needed programing are all making it a more difficult financial season for Jericho Road.

We have a very dedicated and experienced staff that stretches your donation dollar sixfold. Further, we have been audited with no faults or findings. So, please share generously as God puts it on your heart. Thank You!

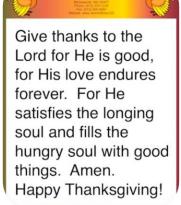
#### **Christmas**

For the first time in 15 years the Jericho Road Christmas Open House will be held in a new location - the Jericho Road Elliot Park Site at 1108 8th Street in Minneapolis.

### **Open House**



Join us on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30 to 7:00 PM for a Light Supper, Tasty Sweets and a Special Gift! We'll have a short program at 6:00 PM including Christmas Carols. Parking will be available on site &1/4 block away at Bethlehem Baptist.



Please enjoy my family's dinner prayer (above) based on Psalm 107:1&7 that we will be handing out with each Thanksqiving Basket.

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Pastor John Bohnsack
Urban Ministry Visionary, Writer & Speaker

#### One Bar of Soap

A good distance north of the Arctic Circle, an Eskimo mother entered the home of a local missionary, holding her one-week-old infant in her arms. The missionary mother, hearing an arrival, turned from her work and offered a welcoming smile and a greeting. Emboldened by the warmth of the reception and greeting, the Eskimo mother stated very simply and frankly that she **needed soap to wash her baby.** The missionary reached to her storage shelf with a heavy heart. She had **only one bar of soap left for her own family,** including her children **AND** the yearly supply delivery was not due in for quite a while. Trying her best to be cheerful, she lifted the soap from the shelf and **gave it to the visitor**, who left quickly and gratefully.



That evening, as the missionary reached for her box of detergent to wash the dishes, an ad on the box that she had not noticed before, jumped out at her. It said, "Free bar of soap inside"! But it was wrong! The packing machine had erred, placing not 1, but 2 bars of soap

inside. The Lord had provided-giving back DOUBLE for the precious bar of soap she had given away. Not only that, but for the rest of the year, almost every mail delivery contained bars of soap of every size, shape, and color imaginable. For over a decade she never had to buy another bar of soap!

Jesus said in Luke 6:38, "Give and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put in your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back." May you be similarly blessed for your support of Jericho Road's crisis aid ministry.

As you have seen from Jeff's article, our costs at JRM are UP and the needs of those who come to JRM for help are also greatly increased! In addition, this reminder that JRM has felt called of the Lord to open a second food shelf. In that context, any increase in your gift that you can provide, as the Lord leads, would be a great help, especially without November GIFT MATCH going on!

SPECIAL THANKS FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP & SUPPORT!

PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS, PHONE AND/OR EMAIL.

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or go to the website to give online at:

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