

AWARENESS MONTH

"Taking the love of Jesus to the streets of the Brazos Valley." These words have been at the heart of S.O.S. since the beginning. During this year's Awareness Month, God made a way for our ministry to have two outreach events at Saddlewood and Sandy Creek Apartments. We went door to door to pray for each resident and spread the love & truth of Jesus. We also held a Block Party in each neighborhood and shared the Good News of the Gospel through music, food, incredible stories of God's miraculous power, and lots of fellowship. The presence of the Holy Spirit was so powerful in both neighborhoods. In the words of one of our volunteers at Saddlewood, "I spoke to a woman who recently was displaced from her home in Louisiana and did not have any family in town. I partnered with her in prayer, encouraged her to join our Women's Ministry, and watched her face light up once I told her of our plans to have weekly Bible Studies at Saddlewood. The message of God's unending love & Hope shared by our speakers provided an opportunity for people to receive the Gospel and for us to continue sowing seeds into the community." In the words of JJ Ramirez: "More than anything else, S.O.S. Ministries is an outreach ministry. This is the time to let the world know who Jesus is so they can be transformed, healed and restored through Him. There are so many hurting souls out there that have never experienced the love and hope of Christ. We need to show them the love of Christ in words, and more importantly, in our actions. It is the heart of our Father that none should perish, and this is what gives us the strength to take Jesus to those who need healing and restoration through Him." The outreaches at Saddlewood and Sandy Creek were a huge blessing! We witnessed over 20 first time commitments and rededications to Christ! Join us in prayer for those who gave their hearts to Jesus as they begin their walk with the Lord.

"IGNITE THE NEXT GENERATION"

S.O.S. Campaign 2022

"God in His infinite wisdom and mercy plucked me out of a lifestyle of drugs and street violence. He not only pulled me out, but He also called me to go right back- to impact that segment of the society with the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

—JJ Ramirez, Founder & Director

We are EXCITED to announce our "Ignite the Next Generation" Campaign! The heart of this capital campaign is simple: enable more women, men, and children for generations to come to experience the strength and love of God through the vision and ministry of S.O.S. In the words of Carmen Maxwell, our Assistant Director, "The people of S.O.S. Ministries have truly experienced the resurrection power of Jesus... and that is the power that fans the flame that ignites the next generation."

Our goal is to raise \$6.5M dollars over three years to expand our programs and facilities to widen our reach and deepen our impact for Jesus in the community. We are thrilled to announce we have already raised \$4.2M towards our goal! Doug French, Campaign Chair, says, "When I think about the future of S.O.S., I think about growth. I think about opportunity and I think about impact. As we build up more and more capacity with facilities, infrastructure, including staff... the impact that S.O.S. will have in this community, through God, is going to continue to increase."

This campaign allows us to serve our community in many ways, including the following:

- Add 10,000 square feet to our main building for additional classroom space.
- Grow our vocational training program by adding 5,000 square feet of devoted space.
- Add much-needed additional space for our ministry and administrative team.
- Build a new road through the property that will make a major impact in our freedom to function and grow.
- Add "Carmen's Prayer Garden" at the center of our property, to continually provide praise and seek strength from the source of our Hope.
- Increase staff & funding for our programs that proclaim the Gospel, disciple believers, & equip those we reach with the life & vocational skills needed to thrive.
- Add a commercial kitchen and updated renovations to our existing space to further meet the needs of those we serve.

The next chapter in our growth is God continuing to make good on His promise to do what many consider impossible. JJ adds, "We are building something that will stay here long after I am gone. That way, we can instill the next generation with even greater passion to be ignited for the glory of God... We are bringing sons and daughters in our ministry, to do far greater than we can even think."

To learn more about our Campaign, visit our website at www.saveourstreetsministries.org/the-campaign/ or call our office at (979) 775-5357. We are so excited for God's next plan for S.O.S. Ministries!

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Teen Boys Video Game Tournament



Awareness Month Block Party



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BBQ Outreach

Missy & Me Tea Party

What a blessing it was to host nearly 80 women and girls during this year's Missy & Me Tea Party! The SOS gym was beautifully decorated with floral arrangements, balloons, tea sets, and beads. The ladies and girls excitedly gathered around as they picked matching hats to complete their outfits and pose for pictures. The theme of our party was taken from Titus 2: older women mentoring and passing down wisdom to the younger generation while teaching them how to love their family. Following a fun session on etiquette taught by Pastor Anita Dorsey, we heard the powerful testimonies of two mother/daughter pairs, which was the highlight of the event for many. Mothers and daughters took turns sharing how their lives were transformed through the encounter with Jesus and how they received wisdom from Him during the process of healing and restoration of their mother/daughter

relationships. In the words of one of the ladies who shared her story that day, "I now have peace in my home. One of the greatest gifts the Lord has given me is my kids never having to worry if their dad is going to get drunk or live in a toxic environment. They know peace and they know the Prince of Peace." One of the daughters also shared with us: "No matter how hard it gets with your doubts, fears, and worries, remember that you have a Father that is always present for you."

We are incredibly grateful that God made a way for our women and girls to come and receive the love and hope of Christ at our Tea Party. Also, a huge THANK YOU to our wonderful speakers, our Women's Ministry Leadership Team, and our incredible volunteers who helped with this event. Your faithful YES allows us to reach out and make an impact in the lives of hundreds of women, girls & their families throughout our community!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 14** BBQ Outreach
- May 27** Last Friday Night
- May 27** Vocational Training Program Graduation
- May 30** Memorial Day
- June 17-18** Women's Ministry Garage Sale



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