

CHRISTMAS PARTIES!

At the end of every year, we love to ring in the Christmas season with exciting Christmas parties for everyone in our ministry. From our Children's Ministry all the way up through our Adult Bible Studies, we celebrate the birth of Jesus with presents, food, & most importantly, the powerful story of how Jesus came to earth as a baby to save a broken and dying world!

This year, we were able to bless more families than ever before thanks to the generosity of so many in our community. Every kid and teen in our ministries received a Bible from the Gideons and nearly 250 children received gifts provided by The First National Bank of Central Texas, Simmons Bank, First Baptist Church Bryan, and several generous donors. Each child received a warm blanket as well as a warm meal thanks to Global Catering, Brotherhood of Christian Aggies, Texas A&M's KYX, and Philadelphia Sisters. Nearly 50 teens enjoyed a delicious meal together, received gifts, and had a fun evening playing games & spending time together. We were also able to have many men and women this year gather to celebrate and fellowship at their Christmas parties. But above all the gifts & celebrations, our heart this year was that every child, teenager & adult would experience the love of Jesus this Christmas season.

This December, it is a blessing to be able to focus our eyes and hearts on the birth of our Savior. It is our prayer that the families of SOS would experience the gift of Christmas through the relationships they've built at SOS, the generosity of our community & most importantly, the faithful love of Jesus.

BEYOND THE VOCATION

We are so blessed to witness the ways God moves in countless families here at SOS. One of the ways we see redemption in families is through our Jack Threadgill Vocational Training Program. A multitude of courses are offered throughout the year, including Welding in the Spring, Plumbing in the Fall, and CDL courses year-round. They meet Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights to learn trade, financial management, and experience fellowship with Jesus and each other.

Our ministry goal is to impact the lives of those we serve by building personal relationships to share the love of Christ. The Jack Threadgill Vocational Training Program does more than teach a trade- it is an avenue to provide leadership, encouragement, and to display the love of Jesus. The men and women who enroll in these courses work collaboratively as a team, preparing them and equipping them for many different professional fields. This program provides COMPLETELY FREE materials and instruction, as well as giving participants vouchers for equipment at the end of specific courses.

We've seen numerous examples of God's provision through the Jack Threadgill Vocational Training Program. These stories are so impactful that we wanted to highlight a few.

In May of 2024, a student in the CDL program came to class distraught. He had tragically lost his daughter in a homicide. That night, the entire class wrapped their arms around him and prayed for him. Others from SOS Ministries reached out to minister to his entire family to help with their grieving process. He took a break from training to take care of his family, and when he was ready, stepped back into class to resume training. With continual hard work and dedication, he completed the course and was awarded his CDL license. He has since

been offered multiple opportunities as a truck driver, allowing him to increase his income and improve his family's hope for the future.

Another student was working in rebar construction and completed the welding class with the hopes of finding a higher paying job. With this experience, he became qualified to be hired by Texas A&M Engineering Service (TEEX) and now works as a responder for Texas Task Force 1!

Similarly, a single mother working an entry-level office job took the CDL B class, earned her license, and was hired by a local construction company. She has since upgraded her license to an A level and became a dispatcher for her company!

The incredible mission of our Jack Threadgill Vocational Program would not be possible without our volunteers, donors, and partners. Many thanks to Jay Meador, who acts as a financial advisor to course participants, teaching them to fully utilize their new income to benefit their family as much as possible. Thank you also to our volunteers Paul Hundl, Gary Kent, Neal Lee, and Dynamic Drains. Additional support is provided by Twin City Properties and United Way. Thank you so much for your continued support! God is so generous for allowing us to participate in His providence, providing not only for the graduates of these courses, but for their entire families as well.

Are you passionate about how this program is changing the lives of men and women in our community? You can partner with us by going to www.saveourstreetsministries.org/give to donate! You can also support this program through volunteering! Call the SOS Office at 979-775-5357 or visit our website: www.saveourstreetsministries.org/volunteer. Thank you for helping us SAVE OUR STREETS!

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Heavenly Market 2024



Plumbing Vocational Training



Welding Vocational Training



Welding Class Graduation



We are so thankful for all the support we received in making our Thanksgiving & Christmas parties special for the kids and teens in our ministries. We had holiday feasts, blankets, and Christmas presents for over 300 kids, teens, and their families!



DID YOU KNOW?

SOS has over 300 volunteers that partner with us each year! People serve with kids, teens, men, and women, as well as Friday Night Worship, and special events. We could not fulfill God's vision for this ministry without our selfless, hard-working volunteers.



Volunteer Appreciation Banquet 2024



CHAMPIONS OF HOPE

SOS MINISTRIES MONTHLY DONOR SOCIETY

Become a **Champion of Hope** & help bring the love of Jesus Christ to the streets by giving monthly to SOS!

Visit: www.saveourstreetsministries.org/champions-of-hope to sign up!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 13** Last Friday Night Worship of 2024
- Dec 19** Office Closed
- Jan 1** Office Closed
- Jan 3** Friday Night Worship Returns
- Jan 7** Vocational Training Program CDL Class Begins
- Feb 3** Children's Ministry Programs Return



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