

Men of Hosanna

We have received two thank- you emails from seafarers who received 2017 Christmas packages.

To: Hosanna Lutheran Church
Fm: Star Lygra / Master

Hello and good day.

In behalf of our Officers and crew, kindly accept our gratitude for the boxes of gifts and visit last Christmas, during our stay in Houston City docks.

We hope that your ministry continues to reach out people working on board ships, who need love, friendship and word of the Lord.

May God bless you and more success in your spiritual mission.

Thank you.

Kind regards,
Joseph Vidad

Master
STAR LYGRA
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FM : Master Of Tanker :KYRIAKOULA
TO : HOSANNA LUTHERAN CHURCH

Dear All ,

Master , Officers and CREW we would like to Thank you Very Much For Christmas Gifts.

GOD TO BLESS ALWAYS ALL OF YOU and we wishing to Have a happy and healthy 2018!

BEST REGARDS.

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The annual Men's Breakfast was held on Saturday January 27, 2018 at Luby's Cafeteria. Chairman Bill King reported that 30 Men of Hosanna and their guests attended. Thanks Bill for setting this event up.

Prior to breakfast, Pastor Anthony Chatman gave the breakfast prayer. After breakfast, Bob McConnell handled a brief business meeting. He reviewed the 2017 activities. He informed the group that the balance in the Men of Hosanna checking account as of 12-31-17 was \$1179.88; \$108 left over from sale of Phil Snell's golf clubs; \$579.18 left over from 2017 Care Packages left over from misc. \$492.70. **Phone callers for 2018 include: Judy Rhodes, Barbara Sorensen, Bob Dejmal, Ron Christ, Shirley Leach, Bill King, Connie Chestnut, Joann Barron and Richard Dove.** Thanks phone callers for calling in 2017 and agreeing to do it again for 2018. You play a vital role in keeping the Men of Hosanna membership informed about events.

Next, we discussed activities for 2018.

In January we held the annual Men's breakfast and Bill King reported that 30 men attended.

In Feb on Tuesday Feb 27th we will hold the annual B-B-Q catered dinner followed by Care box packing for the high school seniors, those in colleges/universities, those in the military and those in the Peace Corp. A poster will be posted next week in the north narthex for signups. Cost per person is \$12.00 in advance.

Pat Gibbons will be updating her current list of addresses for Care packages. She will be putting signup sheets in the bulletin on Sundays and advertising it in Hosanna Happenings. Watch for this document in next Sunday's bulletin and other future publications.

At breakfast, the donation plate was passed to start funding this project and a total of \$131 was collected. That is a good start. A white envelope is attached to this newsletter which is addressed to Bob McConnell. Please use this envelope to make your contribution to the Care package project. **Either give it to Bob McConnell, or mail it to him or put it in the weekly collection plate and it will get to Bob. He will make sure that the Financial Secretary, Becky Wolf is advised of your donations for your giving record to Hosanna.** Last year we packed and mailed 45 Care packages. Total cost of this program is in the \$1500-\$1600 range.

The Spring Fling is scheduled for Sat April 7th and Richard Moehring and George Posey are the Head Chefs. They have asked the Men of Hosanna for help with set up, serving the brunch and cleaning up. Watch for a poster to be posted on our sign-up board in the north narthex and please sign up to help Rich and George make this event a success.

The annual Good Friday golf tournament will be held on March 30, 2018 at The Village Golf (Panorama) course just north of Conroe. Kinsmen golfers will be invited to join us.

Nothing planned for May-Sep.

In October we will play the annual fall classic at a course to be determined.

In November we will hold a 30-day fundraiser for the annual Seafarer's Christmas box project. We will again be applying to Thrivent Financial for five-\$250 Action Team assistance awards.

In December we will meet to pack the Seafarer's Christmas boxes with the confirmation class, Men of Hosanna and other members of the congregation.

Bob Dejmal and Chad Greer updated the group with a report on Habitat for Humanity building progress and plans.

After closing the business meeting, the men turned to the annual introductions section which is always a highlight.

In addition to introducing one of the breakfast attendee, the men were poled to see which team would win the Super Bowl. The vote (21 to 7) was for the PHILADELPHIA EAGLES OVER THE NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS.

Thanks for continuing to save aluminum and aluminum cans plus any other recyclable metals. Just place your bags of cans behind the trash dumpster. The Men of Hosanna will take the aluminum & recyclable metals to a recycling center. **Jim Sales and David Galica recently delivered \$74.75 of recycle materials Oct 17th bringing the 2017 total YTD to \$169.95.**

Do you enjoy fun, fellowship and working on service projects for the church and community with other men? Then why not consider joining the Men of Hosanna. You don't have to be a member of Hosanna to join. Contact either Richard Dove (281-370-8287) or Bob McConnell (281-440-5432) and they will get your name added to the roster of seventy-nine (80) other men who have joined. Feel free to fill out the form on the bottom of this newsletter and return it to Bob McConnell or tack it to the bulletin board in the sign-up area in the Narthex. Please welcome Dean Miller as the latest to join our group. Welcome aboard Dean!

Name _____ (Spouse's Name _____)

Home Address _____ Town _____ Zip _____

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Cell (____) _____

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