

## Men of Hosanna

**The Noisy Offering for October was held last Sunday Oct 21, 2018 in support of the annual Seafarer's Christmas Gift box program.** The total "Noisy Offering" was \$690.23. That's a good start but it usually takes about \$3,000 to fund this project if we are going to fill the usual 110 Seafarer's Gift boxes and give \$300 to the Chaplain's Discretionary fund. So far, we have received \$1000 from Thrivent in Action Team assistance funds. That means we need additional Hosanna contributions of about \$1000. We will continue our fundraiser for about 30 days and hope to be completed by Nov 25.

Hosanna has just received a letter from the Port of Houston explaining how much these Christmas gift boxes mean to the seafarers calling on the Port of Houston in December. These gifts lift the spirits of the seafarers while they are away from their families and confined in their vessels.

I have attached a plain white envelope to our most recent Men of Hosanna newsletter (printed on yellow paper) for your use which is addressed to me. There are extra newsletters with white envelopes on the card signing table in the north narthex. You can put either cash or a check made out to Men of Hosanna into the white envelope and give it directly to me or put it in the Sunday collection plate or mail it to me. You could also designate an amount on your Sunday offering envelope to the Seafarer's project. I will update the weekly results of contributions in Hosanna Happenings. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity which has supported this project in previous years. **OH YES.....SHOEBOXES ARE STILL NEEDED.**

**Mark your calendars for the Seafarer's Christmas Gift Box packing which will be on Tuesday December 11, 2018.** It will start promptly at 7 p.m. in the north side of the Fellowship Hall. Everyone in the church is invited to attend. This includes Confirmation class students, youth, Men of Hosanna and all others. We will need about 30 volunteers for just the box packing. A series of sign-up sheets will be posted on the Men's sign-up poster board right after Thanksgiving. There will be work to do prior to the actual box packing such as moving 110 empty shoe boxes, supplies, and items to be

packed. Please consider signing up so that we can get organized. The actual box packing itself will only take from 30-45 minutes.

**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 \$53.10 of recycle materials bringing the 2018 total YTD to \$102.90.**

**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 eighty (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 Larry Lee as the latest to join our group. Welcome aboard Larry!**

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