



Praise and Glory be to Jesus Christ!

Fall 2008

Dear "Pantry Angels",

During this Christmas Season I wish to thank you for all the generous support you have given to Sister BJ's Pantry and to the homeless in Oklahoma City. It is only because of you that this ministry exists.

During the 2008 year, over 6,000 people were served food and clothed. The Pantry and St. Joseph's Clothing Room has been a blessing to our friends that visit each week. Our lovely Marion garden is the highlight each week as they sit enjoying its beauty and changing seasons. We added four more picnic tables this year and are in the middle of building a covering for half the tables. It is truly a blessing each week to come to the pantry and see the many volunteers who are so willing to help out with such smiling faces. I am so thankful for them.

Our new program which will begin this winter is the purchase of a Dodge Sprinter Van that will be called the "Therese Mobile" (after St. Therese). This van will go out on nights that are less than 25 degrees between the hours of 8:00 pm and 1:00 am. It will be stocked with heavy winter wear, blankets, sleeping bags, and hand warmers and able to provide hot meals for our brothers and sisters who must endure the nights on the streets. Our hope is to save anyone from freezing to death. We are very excited about our expansion of the pantry onto the streets and have prayed very hard for its implementation.

These visions would not be possible without you, so my prayer this Christmas season is that the Infant Jesus will pour down his graces upon you for all your kindness and generosity you have given to your brothers and sisters in the name of Christ. May God reward you!



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