



The Good News Chapel is blessed to be a part of the Regina Christmas Wish List again this year! The Regina Christmas Wish List is a Christmas gift program for the poor in our city. Stories for individuals and families from the Good News Chapel and other charities are listed on the website: www.reginachristmaswishlist.com









**Luke 2:11-14** For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

Peace on earth can be elusive. Many people live in perpetual chaos. Without personally knowing God through repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, there can be no real peace on earth. The Son of God entering into creation as a baby in a manger was the only way that eternal peace could be achieved. Without Jesus dying on the cross and rising from the dead, the wrath of God could not be abated. God is pleased with us as we enter into the eternal Kingdom of God through faith in His Son and are clothed with His righteousness. We can have peace with God through His Son. What an amazing thing the peace of God is! The peace of God can give us calm and rest in the midst of the most terrible storms as we put our trust in Him. The peace of God can bring us out of the chaos that we have known because of our past sins.

We recently helped a woman from our church who struggles with anxiety to find peace. She lives by herself and was forced to move out of her apartment in North Central because the owner was selling the property (It was in a bad location and they got fed up with the constant vandalism and problems). Within a few months of moving into her new apartment, she began to have problems with bed bugs. She did not know what to do and was afraid of getting evicted if she talked to the landlord about it. Because we have had experience with bed bugs, we were able to get her bed to be a safe zone until a treatment could occur. We placed bed bug traps under the bed posts and sealed the mattress and box spring with a mattress cover. Now she can sleep in peace. We also phoned the landlord with her and everything is getting resolved.

A man from our church who had a stroke was living in a rental home in North Central. He struggled with drinking and multiple women would look to take advantage of him. He had been robbed multiple times and was physically abused. We helped him move into Milton Heights and we have been working with home care and his trustee and Eden Care to provide support for him. He loves his new place and no longer drinks and he no longer lives in fear. God is working in his life and he now has a peace which he never knew before.

A man in our church has custody of his grandson and is getting settled in the city. He stayed at the temporary shelter in the Nest Health Centre downtown for months before finding a place where he could live with his grandson. His mother lives on a reserve and has been struggling with addictions. She recently had a DUI charge and is in jail for missing her court date. We're supporting the grandfather with doctor's appointments (he found out he has high blood pressure) and getting his grandson into school. There have been many roadblocks in the way to prevent them from finding peace but God is at work in their situation.

We're in the process of helping another person in our church move to a safer place. He lives with his elderly mother and has been free from a crystal meth addiction for many years now. He can't read but will give out tracts and Bibles and materials to his neighbors and people that he meets. Gang activity has been causing all kinds of problems at their home in North Central. The police have been called multiple times and arrests have been made of people causing damage and trying to break in. We are looking for senior living for them as he is 50 and his mother is 80. He has COPD and so we also have been helping with doctor appointments. They are still in the midst of some chaos but God can, and will, yet bring peace.

At the Good News Chapel, as we work among the poor and addicted in our city, we have the blessing of walking alongside many people who have never known any lasting peace. As they come to know Jesus Christ personally, God brings inward peace and transformation and this is also seen in their daily lives. But there can be a struggle to have peace when everyone around you does not know the peace of God and they continue to live in perpetual chaos. There are obstacles that many people in our church face that seem to be insurmountable. There can always be the temptation to return to the chaos. As we walk alongside, in seeking peace and stability, we continually see God at work manifesting His presence and revealing His peace.

#### **Pastor Murray Hack**

### **CLOTHING**

#### GIVEAWAY

In November, we had a clothing giveaway on Muskowekwan First Nation. Rosewood Park Alliance Church donated the clothing and it was the first time we have organized a distribution like this on our own. We are constantly looking for new opportunities to build relationships on the reserve and to grow the church plant. If you would like to be a part of a church service just let us know! We have services on Saturdays at 2 pm (currently bi-weekly).



MUSKOWEKWAN FELLOWSHIP









In November we hosted a team of youth for an outreach opportunity in North Central as part of the Regina Apostolic Youth Retreat.

Renovations will continue throughout the winter for the housing project for for youth in need (electrical, plumbing, drywall, etc).

e-Transfers for this project: youth@goodnewschapel.ca

#### YOUTH MINISTRY





## FOOD

Thanks again to the Regina Christian School that organized a food drive for the Good News Chapel. We will use the food for Sunday potluck meals as well as giving to people in need in Regina and on Muskowekwan First Nation.





# THANK YOU!

We say farewell to Shirley who has been helping out at the Good News Chapel with music and children's ministry both in Regina and on Muskowekwan since March 2022.







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- We are very thankful for new volunteers that have been helping out in Regina for the Sunday Service! There continues to be opportunities for individuals or church groups to help prepare meals, donate food, help serve, or clean up. If you are able to come and help us out after your church service the meal starts usually around 12:15 pm.
- Pray that we will be able to find more partners for the church plant on Muskowekwan so that we can return to weekly services and expand our ministry on the reserve. If you would like to be a part of the reserve ministry we usually leave Regina around 11:30 am on Saturday and are back by around 6:30 pm. We also provide a small meal.
- Pray for direction as far as additional help to fill the void of not having an associate pastor.
- While many people in our congregation give sacrificially, we do not bring in enough financial support to meet our needs and must fundraise for the remainder of our budget. Financial support from those outside the church makes a big difference in our ministry. We praise God for all the individuals and churches who donate to support our ministry!