

Alan McLaughlin  
Director

## It's a Wrap!



As 2018 is 'wrapping' up we would like to share some of the high lights of the year at Ministry & More, Inc. food pantry!

**Number of persons served:** 2700!

**Shared the gospel:** average of 40 times every week!

Some things have changed and some things remain the same! Prayer and sharing the message of Christ are the most important things we offer at Ministry



and More, Inc. Pray for our volunteers to encourage those we serve to find hope in Christ and live for Him.

### Highlights of 2018:

**New efficient outdoor freezer:** this was a major project made possible through a generous financial donation and many volunteer hours. The end result means safe storage for meat, freed up space in the garage and more economical use of electricity by replacing multiple chest freezers.



**New tires for vehicles and trailers:** this was so needed and we appreciate your generosity!

**New Schedule:** shifted days open to Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Mondays are for restocking and bringing in perishable food from Midwest Food Bank. Previously our Monday clients 'missed' this.

**Food drives:** food drives this year came from three schools, Cub Scout Troop #3940, McLean County 4-H Fair Auction, supporting churches, a 4-H club. Praise that two additional churches have joined us this year!



### Winter Coat Give Away and Christmas Gifting for Children.

**Outside projects:** clean up and staining of garages.

**New neighbors coming in 2019:** Nearby 'condemned property is being developed by the city for a Habitat for Humanity house. This will provide a new home for a family and improve our neighborhood.



Dylan, Clive and Drew were helpers for the winter coat give away and Christmas gifting.

**New and 'Not-so-new' Volunteers:** Here are photos of some of our volunteers - a happy bunch sharing and serving Christ together!



**We have so much to be thankful for this year - it is our hope that as the year closes out that each of us takes time to reflect on and express thanks for God's abundant blessings!**

Merry Christmas to you all.



---

## Client prayer requests and praise:

### Will you PRAY—will you GIVE?

This is the most important part of what we do and of this newsletter – please take a few moments to pray for these requests, for those we serve and those who serve!  
Thank you.

- For remission of cancer
- Healthy pregnancy
- For my schooling and to graduate
- Daughter to pass her GED and get a job
- To get a place of my own
- Family member with cancer
- Job for daughter
- Needed repairs for my home
- My kidneys are failing
- PRAISE that both my sons got the jobs they wanted
- Pray for the man who victimized others and for them to heal from the trauma
- I have breathing problems and swelling
- Asking for peace of mind
- Car needs repairs
- Friend has cancer, uncle has stage 4 cancer, family member whose husband and mother both died recently
- Son needs a job
- My bad hip

I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. This is good and pleases God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth.

I Timothy 2:1 – 4