

# Outreach Outlook:

## Helping Hand Statistical Report As of May 2017

8 people have been given assistance from the Helping Hand Fund as of May 2017:

- ◆ 3 were given rental assistance. (\$600 total)
- ◆ 1 was given a bag of food from Grace Church.
- ◆ 2 were given Giant cards. (\$220)
- ◆ 1 was given help w/a Medicare bill (\$402), and general assistance (\$300).
- ◆ 1 was given assistance w/a motel room, meal at BK and breakfast (\$66.38)
- ◆ 2 were given cash assistance from Pastor John (\$36)
- ◆ 1 was encouraged to go to New Hope Ministries and was offered a bag of food from Grace Church.

**Total assistance given: \$1624.38**

## MID YEAR REPORT OF THE POTATO PROJECT JUNE 19, 2017

So far in the 2017 calendar year we have collected \$1,785.75. Of that amount, \$1,600 was collected at the Lenten Breakfast on March 5th.

On June 5th we sent the SoSA a check for \$1,000 towards our annual pledge for 2017. We try to send them \$400 quarterly to meet our annual commitment.

In the past few years we have far surpassed that total, mostly because of the Lenten Breakfast program and the Fall Potato Drop events. For example, in 2016 we sent them \$4,600. Some of those surplus monies came from outside organizations that helped pay for their potatoes at our Potato Drop event.

I praise God and stand in awe of the faithful supporters from Grace Church, and others outside our church, who have been diligent with their financial gifts for this mission Outreach program since we started on January 9, 1990. My words of gratitude are totally insufficient to tell you how important this program is, as the SoSA continues to feed the hungry and meet the needs of those in distress.

I respectfully solicit your continued prayers and support as we continue to "Share God's Amazing Grace As We Journey Along Life's Highway" through the Potato Project.

In Christ's name, we all serve,  
Gary Wilkins, POTATO PROJECT COORDINATOR  
p.s. -MARK YOUR CALENDARS - POTATO DROP 2017 ---  
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11 [PSU VS RUTGERS @ NOON  
- WE'LL BE DONE BY NOON!]

