

# SURE NEWS



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## Message from the Founder

By: Pastor Tim Bash, Founder



When sharing the Gospel, I get many different reactions. There are many similar elements but the reactions end up being unique to the individual. I recently had such an experience during a SHM Saturday night outing.

The team was at the last stop for the night. I had made my way around to see that everyone had been served and no one was missed. As I was heading back to the van, I saw the first man I spoke to at that stop and decided to continue our previous conversation. As we were talking, the conversation turned to spiritual things and I began to share the Gospel by asking, "Do you think you will be in heaven some day?" The answer he gave was basically a "works" answer. He said that he never killed anyone, he is a good person and tries to obey the 10 commandments. I attempted to share with him that we are saved by grace and not works (Ephesians 2:8-9). His next response is what surprised me.

He told me that he knew he was going to heaven and I did not need to spend any more time with him because he was already going to heaven. Then he politely told me that I should go and talk to the other guys down the street because they are much worse than he is. I could clearly tell that he was not getting the concept of grace so I gave one last try to help him understand grace. Again, he politely said I should talk to the other guys. I wished him well and left.

When we are confronted with our sin, it is often our response to shine the light on someone else who we feel is worse than us. It makes us feel good to know that we are not the worst offender. Even if that were true, it does not remedy the problem of our own sin.

## Outreach Update

By: Brian Fullerton, Outreach Coordinator

The past few months of serving have been great in Philadelphia. We have provided food and clothing to close to 200 people this spring. The weather has not always cooperated but we have still had a lot of fun at our outings.

During one of our recent outings we had a really neat encounter. We were finishing at our first stop and as we loaded into the van we discovered that the van's battery was dead. Our first stop is on the side of the Ben Franklin Parkway, so it was a precarious situation already. But to further complicate the matter, we did not have a second vehicle with us like we usually do. So we had to try to flag someone down as they drove by. After multiple failed attempts at finding someone who would help us, a guy pulled over and said he would be happy to assist us. He quickly backed up next to the van so we could connect jumper cables and we sat and waited while the battery charged. We learned that his name was Justin and that he was from a church in Vineland, NJ. After a few minutes we were able to get the van started again and continue on with our night while making sure we did not turn the van off. It is truly amazing the people that God sends when we are in need, and we were happy to make a new friend.

If you have any questions about our outings to Philadelphia or would like to assist in preparation for the outings, please feel free to contact me at [1-866-924-2677 Ext. 41](tel:1-866-924-2677). We would love to have you join us.

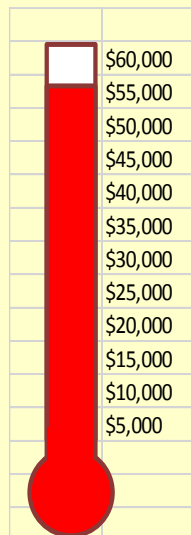


**DONATIONS** can be accepted by calling someone from the leadership committee at 866-924-2677 to arrange for pick up. Anyone willing to have a clothing/supply drive please contact Brian. We currently have a good supply of women's clothing but we are now looking for men's summer clothes. As the weather is hot, we are actively seeking men's summer clothes. Although the weather is hot, we do accept coats and blankets year round. Although we greatly appreciate all donations we receive, please note that we have recently been receiving many items that are not Sure House friendly. It would be greatly appreciated if donators could screen donations a little more carefully for items that do not meet our purposes.

**RECENT EVENTS** (In addition to our regularly scheduled outings.)

This Spring the team has been meeting on Saturday mornings for **mat-making**. The mats are created from plastic bags. Several new volunteers have joined the team to take part in this unique and fun activity. More than **200 people** have been blessed with **food, clothing and toiletry items** between January and May **2018**. TGBTG!

**WE ARE  
GETTING  
CLOSER TO  
OUR GOAL!**



We have a blast making mats and fellowshiping on Saturday mornings! New mats are started and old ones finished up. Hope to see you at the next one!



**MAKING PLASTIC MATS!**



**Upcoming Important Dates**

**August 26  
Volunteer BBQ**

**October 4  
2018 Banquet**

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