



November 2008

NEWSLETTER

**Family Mentor  
Resource Ministry**  
Groceries, diapers,  
personal hygiene  
products delivered  
by loving family  
mentor biweekly

**Clothing  
Furniture  
Household items**  
Custom processed  
for each family  
utilizing database

**Kingdom Kids  
Club**  
Provides Christian  
books to each child  
every month

**Thanksgiving Box**  
A complete meal  
delivered to families

**WE CAN!  
Student Mentoring  
Ministry**  
One-to-one long-  
term mentoring for  
at-risk students in  
BISD

**Highlight Music  
Ministry**  
Reaching youth  
through Christian  
music

**Christmas Bible  
Project**  
Each child receives  
a new Adventure  
Bible

**Christmas Gift  
Project**  
Toys given to  
parents to give  
to children

## Is This Our Time?

Some may call this a plea.... But I call it a CHARGE ! A charge to the **Body of Christ** here in the Hill Country. God has a plan to bring relief and hope to those living in the grip of poverty and it is Daily Bread. During these difficult economic times we must not pull back when unprecedented opportunities exist to impact our community and bring God glory. The current situation is a serious priority to Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries and the Church.

Our mission is to help unite and equip the Body of Christ with the food, resources and training necessary to transform our communities and the lives of those in poverty and need through the love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.

HCDBM is able to support out-reach ministries, providing resources so the church can do what it does best reaching out to a hurting and hungry world. One of the services we provide outreach programs is the tracking and maintaining of all records of the families being served. Up until this year we have only had a short term waiting list of a few families. However, we now have a rapidly growing list of needy families walking in our doors asking for help. We have registered them, and they will get emergency food boxes until we can connect them to a church team that will deliver and minister to them. As of November 7<sup>th</sup> we have 71 FAMILIES on the waiting list. This rapid growth has happened in the last 60 days.

We stand firm in our belief that feeding people without the guidance of a church family may help them today, but will not lead them to **"the bread of life," Jesus Christ**, the only one that can make a difference and bring real, lasting hope and transformation.

Brothers and Sisters — **This is our time...** times may get harder for all of us; but it is already drastically affecting those who have little. **This is our time...** as Christians to step out for God and be on the front lines..."boots on the ground" being part of the solution.

Please pray with us as we connect with the local outreach programs to place these families. Pray also for increases in the volunteer base for each ministry program in our area churches. This is the time for out-reach to be a whole church affair. The mission is CLEAR, listen to His words and watch God, the great provider, work in amazing ways. Please join us in this important mission.

*David Hubbard- President*

*Pure Religion that our Father accepts is: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.*

**James 1:27**



**LET US GIVE THANKS**



# THE VOLUNTEER CORNER

## Serving together as the Body of Christ

Jackie Manning, Volunteer Coordinator

### Looking for a Way to Help HCDBM? Come On Down!

Peggy Sumner, our present Clothing Ministry Head, has been with Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries since 2006. Her name has become synonymous with a caring clothing distribution ministry. But Peggy's family is settled now in the Dallas area, and Peggy is anxious to relocate up there and be near the kids and grandkids. While we're excited for Peggy and wish her God Speed when she sells her home and makes the move up north, we already feel an enormous loss as we anticipate a change of leadership in one of our most critical ministries.



Peggy Sumner

HCDBM is looking for a volunteer who can give us three days a week to take charge of the Clothing Ministry. This involves managing the clothing room, sorting the clothes, stocking the shelves and racks, and pulling clothes for our families on an as-needed basis. The hours and days are flexible and can be arranged to suit the volunteer. If this sounds like a calling for you, please contact Jackie Manning at 830-249-0025 or stop by the Daily Bread offices.

Thanks to Pastor Robert Morgan of the Jesus and Me Ministry (JAM), we have seven people scheduled to receive forklift training/certification in November and December. This is exciting news for John Adams and Kim Hodge who do a superb job of managing our warehouses. Daily Bread is looking to expand our list of certified forklift operators to give John and Kim a break to better manage our growing warehouse operations and distribution. If you are interested in giving HCDBM a day or two a month, please call Jackie Manning at 830-249-0025 to schedule a time that's convenient for you. If you already know how to drive a forklift and are certified, great! If you don't know the ins and outs of a forklift and want to learn, also great!



John Adams at work

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.*

*Give thanks to him, bless his name.*

*For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,*

*And his faithfulness to all generations. Psalm 100*

Jackie Manning	Volunteer Coordinator, Warehouse	Peggy Sumner	Resource Connection Coordinator
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# Thanksgiving Boxes



Thanksgiving is coming soon! As we begin to reflect on all that we are thankful for, we are also forced to think about the many families in our community, unable to afford a Thanksgiving meal to share with their loved ones. For this very reason, we have designated a special time of giving. Along with receiving a box filled with our Thanksgiving meal to prepare in their homes, each family will also be given hope, peace, and God's love – our true reason for thankfulness. For the past seven years, we have partnered with area church outreach programs and provided thousands of Thanksgiving food boxes to those in need.

This year's boxes will contain, among other things, stuffing or mashed potatoes, gravy mix, rolls/bread, cans of vegetables, cranberry sauce, chicken broth, pie/dessert, drinks, and a 10-12 lb frozen turkey. **The cost of this box is approximately \$20.** As in the past, we are asking our outreach ministries to help offset the cost by a donation of **\$8 or more per box** as your heart dictates.

As always, we thank God for your dedication to helping those in our community who are living in crisis and need. You are part of our Thanksgiving prayers. For questions regarding this program, please call Jackie Manning at 830-249-0025. Please feel free to add a special message of encouragement and information about your church in the boxes or use other creative ideas to share the meaning of Thanksgiving with your families.

## HCDBM THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

Nov 14-21 : Prepare and begin packing  
November 20 : No distribution  
November 23 : Warehouse opens 11:00 a.m. to pack; A and B distribution begins 2:00 p.m.  
November 27 : No distribution  
November 27/28 : Daily Bread closed  
December 4 : Resume normal distribution with B group families

**HCDBM provides snacks and cold drinks for the children at Villa Del Sol (Hill Country Cares). Read these thank you notes, representative of the many we received. (These have not been edited in any way.)**

Dear Daily Bread,  
Thank you for providing snacks for me and my peers in Villa del Sol. I haven't been here long but appreciate the snacks and look forward to getting sweaty working and knowing that there are cold drinks and food to fill me up and give me energy so I again wanna say thank you.

**Daily Bread,  
I want to thank you for the snacks ya'll give us.  
We really appreciate it cause there ain't that many people that would do that for kids like us.  
So, I just want to thank you for the snacks.**

Dear Daily Bread,

Thank you very much for the snacks and drinks you donate to the ranch. It's really nice to go out there and have something cold to drink and some chocolate or whatever the snack is. It's really cool that you think about us. Keep them coming thanks very much.



## GIVING THANKS



Dianne Benac  
Program Director

Hill Country Daily Bread  
Student Mentoring Program

## His Hill Bible School Partners with WE CAN!

Sarah Williams, Mentor Coordinator

This fall, we have been privileged to have 8 students from His Hill Bible School join WE CAN! as mentors. His Hill Bible School, located in Comfort, offers a one year Bible School program for college age students. This fall, there are 52 students enrolled. Along with their daily Bible classes, His Hill students involve themselves in local outreach opportunities. Eight of the most delightful young people coming from various parts of the United States and Canada have gone through our training program and have been matched with 8 at risk youth from the Boerne Schools. First Baptist Church has generously offered the Student Center, The Hub, for these mentors and mentees to meet. It is fun to watch the smiling faces of the mentees as they arrive. We frequently hear comments such as "I have been waiting for this all day" as they run inside to meet their mentor. We are so thankful for the blessings these mentors offer to students as well as the generosity of First Baptist Church for this program to become a reality.



## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

HCDBM ministries said **thank you** to its volunteers on October 19 at Enchanted Springs Ranch. Approximately 100 volunteers and their families were treated to an afternoon of fun and a fabulous barbeque dinner.

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FOOD





## **Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries is proud to announce participation in the Hunters for the Hungry program.**

Hunters for the Hungry, a Texas Association of Community Action Agencies program, is a state-wide game donation program that provides a healthy source of protein to Texans who need assistance. HCDBM is an approved food assistance provider along with 2 other Kendall County agencies.

Here in Boerne, Farmer's Meat Market is the only participating meat processor (there are others in Bexar county). Hunters bring in their tagged, legally harvested deer to a participating meat processor and pay a nominal fee (typically \$35.00) to cover a portion of the processing fee; the other portion is contributed by the processor, a generous giving of their time, labor and resources. Farmer's Meat Market has participated in the program since its inception and continues to provide this important resource to our community. After processing and packaging the ground venison in 2 lb. packs, HCDBM will be contacted to pick-up the meat and distribute to our clients.

HCDBM is very excited about this opportunity. If you hunt and have excess meat or know a landowner that must harvest from their property, please consider a donation to Hunters for the Hungry. When dropping off your deer at Farmer's Meat Market, please specify you would like your donation to benefit Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries.

**DEMAND SOARS AS DONATIONS DECLINE  
AT AREA FOOD-BANKS ACROSS THE COUNTRY**  
L.A. Times

**DONATIONS DOWN AS NEED INCREASES**  
From Manchester, N.H.

**MORE NEEDY TURNING TO CLERGY FOR FUNDS, FAITH**  
From Washington Post

**NON PROFITS CHALLENGED BY BAD ECONOMY**  
S.A. Express News

Headlines such as these are appearing in newspapers all over the country and they are certainly depressing. Here at Daily Bread we currently have a waiting list of 70 families. One year ago we had no families on a waiting list. Those who would in normal times be cycling off our list of families we serve, are not cycling off. They cannot. Chances are, they have experienced a change in their poverty level. We are fortunate to have communities that are not stepping back in these times of need. They are united behind us giving us an opportunity to step out in faith. Read the following words from Proverbs 3: verse 6

***Trust in the LORD with all your heart  
and lean not on your own understanding.***

We must ask what we can do. This is a critical time for donations. Donations are needed for the Christmas Gift Program as well as other programs in the ministry. One third of our annual budget is given during the holiday season. One third is a result of the annual Vision Dinner. Another third is accomplished through grants. We need donations toward the 650 turkeys, needed for the Thanksgiving Meal boxes and help toward the purchase of 10 pallets of meat from the San Antonio Food Bank. There are 1000 pounds of meat per pallet. We pay 17 cents per pound.

David and Agnes Hubbard stepped out in faith when they started this ministry in October 2000. In 2005 they again took a huge step in faith when they expanded the warehouse to what it is today. This move provided much needed space which was empty for two weeks and we were worried. And then . . . Katrina. All of a sudden, the space was full and we were actively helping victims of the devastating hurricane.

We ask you to join HCDBM as we again step out in faith, helping the many affected by the current economy.

## **God is an awesome God**



# CHRISTMAS GIFT PROJECT



HCDBM has begun its 5<sup>th</sup> annual Christmas Gift Project for the families we serve. With parents who depend on our twice-monthly food deliveries just to get by, finding the extra money for Christmas gifts is usually not possible. But we want to ensure that every child wakes up on Christmas morning with something under the tree. Through the generosity of businesses, civic groups, churches and individuals, HCDBM provides toys or other age-appropriate gifts for all the children we serve from birth through high school.

This program not only benefits the children, but the parents as well. The gifts are not presented to the children by HCDBM, but are given directly to the parents prior to the holiday so that they have the dignity and joy of being able to give their children something for Christmas.

HCDBM coordinates with Angel Tree, Family Services and the Salvation Army to make sure no child falls through the cracks, but also to ensure that there is no duplication of effort.

HCDBM needs help from generous sponsors to complete this ministry. With no budget for this project and with an ever-increasing number of families due to the economy, we need your help! If you would be willing to purchase gifts for a family, or provide the funds so that the purchases can be made, please contact Gift Project Coordinator Kathy Bandujo at 210-698-2461. There is a guideline of \$20 per child. Please help us ensure that no child wakes up disappointed on Christmas morning. We have over 900 children on our list.

## Thank You

To the following groups who sponsored events in October and November that benefited HCDBM and the families they serve. They collected diapers, food and Christmas gifts or held fundraising events.

- Boerne Leadership (Boerne Chamber of Commerce)
- Tom Patterson (Deer Meadows Home Owners Assoc.)
- Carl Sanchez, Stanbio Labs
- Boerne Middle School North
- St Mark Presbyterian Church
- Currey Creek Community Church
- Fair Oaks Golf Club Ladies Golf Association
- Texas Military Institute
- Cibolo Creek Community Church
- Mahjong Group
- Menger Springs Charity Tour of Homes
- Boerne Champion FLCCA Group
- Rand Fuller
- Boerne Junior Varsity Football Team

Hill Country Daily Bread Ministry would like to thank the staff of **Penguin Suits** for their extraordinary development of our web site:

[www.hillcountrydailybread.com](http://www.hillcountrydailybread.com)

Their donated time and talent on our behalf are greatly valued.

Watch for the changes and upgrades to our site in the coming weeks and take advantage of all you can learn about Hill Country Daily Bread on-line.

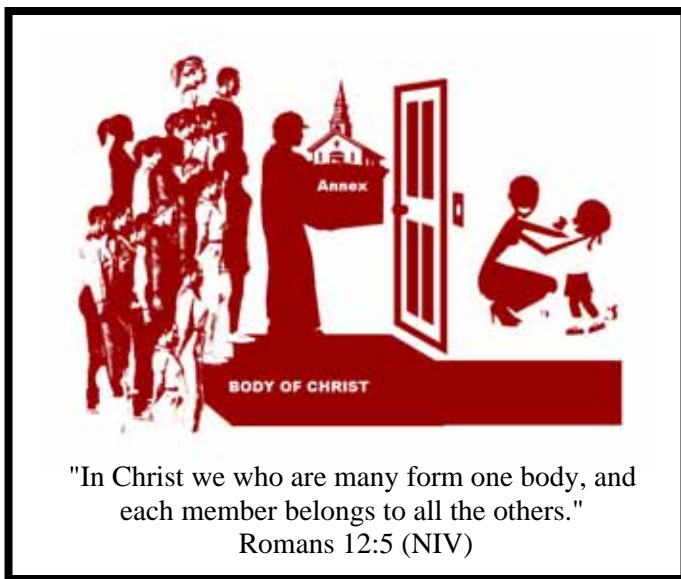
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# You Make the Difference!

Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries is a non-profit 501(c)3 ministry located here in Boerne. We are a Christian Food & Resource Distribution Ministry dedicated to helping those in need. We provide local churches with food and basic supplies to be distributed by volunteer teams directly to people in need. Responding to the call of God, we are dedicated to providing training and resources which further assist our partners in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**We are listed as an approved agency for Kendall County United Way. Please consider designating HCDBM when you complete donation form.**



## Our Communities Benefit!

- + *Single mothers and their children, out of work families, the elderly, and those who are sick* benefit from the delivery of food and household items, making fixed or limited incomes stretch much further
- + *Loving volunteers from our partner churches share life skills and* the hope and comfort found only in a relationship with Jesus Christ as they pray and minister with families and individuals in crisis.
- + *Church congregations grow spiritually* as they have more opportunities to do direct, effective ministry in their own community.
- + *Our community benefits as lives are transformed;* families move from crisis to stability. Our communities are strengthened by working together to address the needs of others.

I would like to "Adopt-an-Expense." Please accept my pledge of:

- Warehouse rental (\$3,000 monthly)
- Electric bill (approx \$650 monthly)
- Purchased food basics, e.g. , can food, peanut butter, meat, etc. (all or any portion up to \$4,000 monthly)
- Truck, equipment repair/fuel (amount varies)
- I would like more information about how I can help. Please call me.
- Other... Special gifts to be used for:
- A CAMP SCHOLARSHIP \$ \_\_\_\_\_.**

I /We would like to give a one-time gift of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I /We would like to make a 12-month commitment of:

- \$500 Per month       \$50 per month
- \$250 per month       \$25 per month
- \$100 per month
- Make donating easy! Send information about donating via monthly electronic funds transfers.
- Recurring monthly financial gift of:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to use where needed most.

### All Donations To HCDBM Are Tax Deductible

*Will you ask God to show you where you might lead or serve in any of the following areas?*

- Food assembly and collection
- Adopt a family through a church outreach program
- Start an outreach program in my church
- Assembling for distribution, clothing, diapers, personal items and household items
- Becoming a resource connection volunteer (clothing, furniture, household items)*
- Facilities maintenance, fleet maintenance
- Assisting with fleet transportation and driving
- New facilities search & development
- Fundraising events
- Kingdom Kids Club member
- Participate in "Cross" Training & Ministry Development
- Evangelism/mentor training
- Children's and youth program volunteers
- Administrative support
- Becoming a WE CAN! Student Mentoring Program mentor or volunteer
- Asking the Lord to bless our mission as member of prayer team

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Your intent to support HCDBM is a private decision. This card is not a legally binding contract nor a promise to give. We consider it a free-will expression of commitment to give to the work of HCDBM. Complete, clip and return in enclosed envelope.



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## ***Statement of Faith***

We believe there is only one God, eternally existing in three persons: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, the virgin birth, his sinless life, miracles, and death on the cross to provide our redemption, his resurrection and ascension in heaven, and his promise to return to earth in power and glory.

We believe that the Bible is the inspired word of God. It is the true authority and without error.

We believe in the deity of the Holy Spirit, that He performs the miracle of the new birth in unbelievers and indwell believers, enabling them to live godly lives.

We believe that man was created in the image of God, but because of sin was separated from God. Only through faith, trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, which was made possible by His death and resurrection, can that separation be reconciled.

## ***Our Mission***

*HCDBM's mission is to help unite and equip the **Body of Christ** with the food, resources and training necessary to transform our communities and the lives of those in poverty and need through the love and saving grace of Jesus Christ.*

*Have you moved? Please contact Hill Country Daily Bread Ministries at 830-249-0025 or [hcdbread@gvtc.com](mailto:hcdbread@gvtc.com)*

