



GIVING TREE

Dec. 4 – Dec. 18

Honor the birth of Christ with a gift that helps others in need during the holidays through our Giving Tree. Stop by our Missions tables to choose from eight opportunities to help. Deadline for gifts and donations is December 19th. The deadline for the NAM Toys is December 12.

Bonding Against Adversity: Bonding's purpose may be summed up in a simple phrase; we are simply "HELPING OTHERS HELP THEMSELVES". They help people in the United States, who are here legally, complete their path to citizenship. Without consideration of legal fees, the cost just to file the paperwork for citizenship is nearly \$650. Help keep the American dream alive through your gifts.

Redeemed Ministries: They offer restoration services to adult survivors of domestic sex trafficking with a trauma-informed holistic healing program and the support of our community partners. Redeemed Ministries owns and operates an 8-bed restoration house in the Houston area for women. The house is a place of healing and hope for the journey ahead. They have designed a program to the uniqueness of each individual.

Faith in Practice: This non-profit, ecumenical Christian organization seeks to improve the physical, spiritual, and economic conditions of the poor in Guatemala through integrated surgical, medical, and dental mission trips and health-related educational programs.

Living Water: Living Water International is a faith-based non-profit organization that helps communities in developing countries to create sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene programs in response to the global water crisis. It is based in Houston, Texas.

New Shoes for Winter (NAM): Disadvantaged children in our community have worn out the shoes their parents purchased last summer for the start of the school year. With your donation of \$20 per shoe voucher, you can help put winter shoes on the feet of Houston children who need them.

Toys for Children (NAM): Each year, Northwest Assistance Ministries receives requests from hundreds of families who are going through difficult times and cannot afford Christmas gifts for their children. NAM hopes to provide Christmas gifts for 5,000 children in our area and has asked Northwoods to help. New, unwrapped toys in the range of approximately \$25 per gift for newborn through age 12 may be dropped off at our church office by December 12. Listed below are three ways you can participate.

- **Way #1:** Pick up a NAM bag at our Church Offices and follow the instructions provided. Each bag is labeled with the specific age and gender of the child and contains a list of suggested items to purchase.
- **Way #2:** Bring in a single (unwrapped and new) toy that would appeal to a child.
- **Way #3:** If you prefer to make a monetary donation, make your check payable to NPC and put **NAM Toys** in the memo section of the check or go online to the link provided for the Giving Tree this year.

Bunk Beds for Kids With No Bed: Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is the only charity providing handmade bunk beds to children who do not have a bed of their own. Their motto is "No kid sleeps on the floor in our town!" Your contribution will be used for materials needed in the build as well as bedding, pillows and mattresses because each bed is delivered completely dressed! Help another child get off the floor this Holiday season!

Help a House Become a Home: Your donation will help Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Harris County to build a "dream house" for deserving families. Your gift gives these families in need an opportunity not just to own a home, but also to build their lives and those of their children in ways they never could have before. Our affiliate is part of the worldwide Habitat for Humanity, a non-profit Christian housing ministry that works in partnership with people in need to improve the conditions in which they live.