



GIVING TREE

November 30- December 21

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 six opportunities to help. Deadline for gifts and donations is December 22nd. The deadline for the NAM Toys is Sunday, December 7.

BONDING AGAINST ADVERSITY: Bonding's purpose may be summed up in a simple phrase; they 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.

FINISHING TOUCH MINISTRIES (NEW): This faith-based ministry provides furnishings to individuals and families who have struggled and now have a place to live but have little or no funds to furnish it. Donated gently used furniture, lamps, and art are meticulously arranged by Finishing Touch volunteers. Clients are referred through partnering agencies and interviewed and evaluated by them. Often partners with Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

THE LANDING HOUSTON ANTI-TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATION (NEW): The Landing is a faith-based non-profit serving women, men, and children in Houston who have experienced the sex trade. Programs include: A Daytime Drop-in Center providing a safe place to get counseling, have a meal, and rest; Youth Advocacy, to help young people who have been removed from a harmful situation throughout the recovery process and provide emotional support, assist youth in navigating community programs and services, and ensure that their voices are heard. Finally, with the goal of increasing victim identification and connecting survivors with services, The Landing engages in various outreach efforts including street outreach, court advocacy, community outreach, school outreach, and local business outreach.

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.

SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE: SHP provides handmade bunk beds to children who do not have a bed of their own. Your contribution will be used for materials needed to build the beds as well as bedding, pillows, and mattresses because each bed is delivered completely dressed! Help another child get off the floor this Holiday season!

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. This year NAM will be creating a "toy shop" where parents can choose gifts for their children. New, unwrapped toys in the range of approximately \$25 per gift for kids of various ages may be dropped off in the Narthex or at our church office by December 7. Listed below are two ways you can participate.

#1: Bring in a single (unwrapped and new) toy that would appeal to a boy or girl aged Birth-17.

#2: 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, go online to the link provided for the Giving Tree this year or scan the QR code on the poster in the Narthex.