



THE TWELVE TREES

OF CHRISTMAS

Every Christmas season, our worship choir and orchestra lead in Sunday morning Christmas worship in conjunction with a local missions outreach we call “The Twelve Trees.”

This year, on December 4, 2022, the choir will present “Light of the World.” Lined across the front of the Worship Center will be twelve trees, each representing an area ministry that serves our community. During the service, our church family will have an opportunity to bless the ministry of their choosing by coming forward and placing a gift under that tree.

THE ADVOCACY CENTER

Serves to bring about healing to children and adults who are victims of a crime

- Gift cards for emergency assistance (Visa/MasterCard, HEB or Walmart)
- Board games, books, toys (all ages)
- Size 5 and up diapers
- Men, women, and children underwear (all ages and sizes)
- Unisex sweats for men, women, and children (all ages and sizes)

CARE NET

Provides pregnancy care and counseling for women facing unplanned pregnancies

- Gift cards: HEB or Walmart (\$10-100)
- Amazon gift cards
- Apple iPad Air - all generations
- Cricut Maker 3 Cutting Machine Everything Bundle
- Cash donations to purchase above equipment and other essentials

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S JOB CORPS

Fosters spiritual, personal, and professional growth enabling women to change families and communities

- Bath and Body Works Products
- Adult coloring books and pens
- New home decor items of any sort
- Electronics (earbuds, bluetooth speakers, headphones)
- Gift Cards: Walmart, HEB, Target, GameStop, Whataburger, Sonic, Chick-fil-A, Canes, Starbucks

CHURCH UNDER THE BRIDGE

Cares and ministers to homeless individuals or families in the Waco area

- Walmart or Target gift cards (to purchase toys for kids)
- Knit caps/gloves, sweatshirts/sweatpants, warm socks for winter
- Warm sleeping bags
- Bus passes or funds to buy them
- Emergency funds for utilities costs

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctance.”

COMPASSION MINISTRIES

Reintegrates homeless individuals and those on the verge of homelessness into permanent housing and employment

- Gift cards: Amazon, Walmart, Target, Chick-fil-A, Whataburger, Sonic
- Eye make-up sets
- Games for ages 8+
- Barbies
- Sports balls

THE COVE

Teen nurturing center designed to provide a safe place for students experiencing homelessness to access the resources they need to be successful

- Underwear of all sizes for men/women, & sports bras for women
- Reusable water bottles
- Current iPhone USB-C chargers & earbuds | Android chargers & earbuds
- Walmart gift cards (increments of \$10-25)
- Fast Food gift cards (increments of \$5-10)

FAMILY ABUSE CENTER

Strives to eliminate domestic violence in Central Texas by sheltering victims of domestic violence and by preventing abuse from occurring through intervention and education.

- Self-care items: hair products, lotions, make-up bags or brushes
- Adult activity books such as coloring or puzzles
- Socks and slippers
- Bluetooth earbuds
- Toiletry kits for men/boys

FRIENDS FOR LIFE

Helps the elderly and people with disabilities who live independently, and cares for those who cannot care for themselves

These items needed for ADULTS:

- Gift cards: HEB, Walmart, Vanilla, Whataburger & fast food restaurants
- Non-slip slippers with backs (enclose the foot) for men and women
- Warm blankets, throws, quilts, comforters
- Large print Bibles, crossword puzzles, jigsaw puzzles, and lighted magnifying glasses
- Towels for face, hands, body & kitchen towels

GIVEN IN JESUS' NAME FOOD PANTRY

A ministry at First Woodway that provides food to hundreds of individuals and families in the community

- Mac & Cheese
- Spam
- Tuna, chicken, and hamburger helpers
- Cereal
- HEB & Walmart gift cards

THE MENTORING ALLIANCE

Previously the Boys + Girls Club of Waco, serving children and families across Waco to provide after-school programs, summer programs, and dedicated mentoring relationships

- Gift cards: HEB, Amazon, gas, restaurants
- Building Equipment: water hoses, extension cords, large storage containers
- Camp Equipment: dodgeballs, Mashoonga foam swords, finger blasters, nerf bow and arrows, pool noodles
- Television for teaching after school classes: TCL 50" 4-series Smart Roku 50s451 from Walmart (\$258)
- Bibles: regular and kid versions

SALVATION ARMY

Endeavors to break the cycle of poverty through a variety of programs, while meeting the basic needs of those in our community

- Underwear, sweatpants of all sizes, socks, sweatshirts, shower shoes, slippers, and sleepwear for men and women
- Disposable razors, deodorant, body spray, and cologne for men and women
- Children's clothing, underwear, socks, + PJs
- Gloves (one size fits all)
- Gift cards to Walmart or Target

TALITHA KOUM INSTITUTE

Partners with families in South Waco to raise children who are intellectually capable, emotionally resilient, contributing members of the community

- Gift Cards: HEB, Walmart, Target
- Diapers (sizes 4, 5, 6, & 7)
- Baby Wipes
- Clorox or Lysol Non-bleach Disinfecting Wipes
- Cases of bottled water



QUESTIONS?

Contact: Lynn Brooks, Community Outreach Coordinator

Email: lbrooks@firstwoodway.org

Phone: 254.772.9696