



"The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him." ~ *Psalm 28:7*





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We just finished up the Fall Event, the first of this school year.



So many processes have to be modified this year as we continue to adjust to the changing world--especially as the forms to enroll our students are delayed because of various remote learning schedules.

Our schools and coordinators have gone above and beyond to enroll the children. They certainly have a lot of logistics to figure out to make sure the children can continue in the program. We are thankful to be able to serve two new schools this year and grateful for all of those that continue to help this ministry. We are so blessed.

The Christmas Event is next, and we have a tight timeline with a very short window to set up and 10 days to package the gifts together. If you would like to join as a volunteer, please <u>fill out the form here</u> and we will reach out to you with all the details.

Call us (815) 806-1700 Email us information@myjoyfulheart.org

Donate Now



Stories from My Joyful Heart

A personal Thank You from Jean



Jean has completed 1,014 hug pillows to distribute to the children this school year! She writes:

We did it...and I say WE, because if it weren't for the generous and wonderful volunteers at My Joyful Heart, my project for these little Hug Pillows would not have gotten done. You are all responsible for the success of it and it just shows what a team of volunteers can

accomplish. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart......Jean

Many, many thanks!



















Thank you to <u>Currie Motors Ford</u> for sharing over 2000 disposable face masks with us!

Thank you to the Rotary Club of Chicago-O'Hare for blessing us with a warm supply of winter coats!

Thank you to the generous IBEW Local 21 Electricians and families for hosting a coat and toy drive for the children of My Joyful Heart!

<u>Grace Fellowship in Mokena</u> blessed us by taking care of many of our administrative and warehouse needs from our Amazon Wish List.

Thank you to Mari Lou's Fine Jewelry in Orland Park for sponsoring our October Trivia Night.

Thank you to Cathy M. & Providence employees for organization and participating in a walk-a-thon benefitting My Joyful Heart!

The residents of <u>Peace Village</u> held a drive and donated a variety of soaps, shampoos, toothbrushes and toothpaste. Thank you!

To our volunteers: thank you to those who put together amazing craft kits for the kids during the past few months; thank you to those who made tie-dyed pillowcases; thank you to those who wrote personalized notes to the students; we are so grateful for you

We will never have enough space to thank each of you individually, but we thank God for each and every one of our volunteers and donors. We could not grow His Kingdom without each one of you. Blessings to you and your families this Thanksgiving.



For that hard to shop for person....

This Christmas are you shopping for someone who is hard to buy for?

Rally the family and give the gift of a child sponsorship or choose to sponsor a child with your small group. You will have the ability to send letters and special gifts to your sponsored child.



Sponsors – Deadline to get your letters or special gifts in for Christmas is November 30th and for Valentine's Day is January 15th

Sign Up Here



Don't forget to choose My Joyful Heart as your charity of choice when you shop smile.amazon.com!

Our Wish List

Thank you to everyone that has made purchases off our Amazon Wish List. We are always in need of basic hygiene items and have also added some of the items we use to pack the gifts for the children. This list will continue to be updated throughout the year.

Click to Visit Our WishList

We did it...AGAIN!

We have been honored with one of the



first Top-Rated Awards of 2020 from GreatNonprofits! We appreciate all your contributions.

Read inspiring stories about us and add your own!



And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. $^{\sim}$ Philippians 4:19

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