

Manna Cafe



Love, Peace, and Manna

The Manna Cafe Ministries newsletter

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"Share your food with the hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. Give clothes to those who need them."
—Isa. 58:7, NLT



Back to School Bash

BY DEBRA SUTTON

We often think of postal workers as the folks who brave all kinds of weather to get their jobs done. However, they don't compare to parents determined to make sure the kiddos are ready for the new school year.



Manna Cafe held its annual Back to School Bash on August 5th, and dedicated parents braved the rainy weather to get free school supplies. More than 500 people were served that soggy morning.

In addition to classroom supplies, kids were treated to backpacks; and 200 gift cards for shoes were distributed. At the end of the event more than 10,000 pounds of school supplies were handed out to students.



The Back to School Bash would not be possible without our staff, volunteers, and generous sponsors: Altra Federal Credit Union, Mosaic Church, Hilldale Baptist Church, One Church, and First Baptist Church.



The Manna Cafe family wishes every student a successful school year.



Plan for a secure future

for yourself, your loved ones, and those facing hunger in our community.

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NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS

Manna Cafe Awarded Grant from The Starbucks Foundation

The Neighborhood Grant recognizes Manna Cafe's community impact through food distribution.

As part of The Starbucks Foundation's Neighborhood Grants program, Manna was selected to receive a \$1,000 grant. This award was possible thanks to a nomination from a local Starbucks partner who recognized the organization's impact in Montgomery and Stewart Counties through feeding the working poor.



A Lot Got Done Last Month

Due to the generosity of our donors, Manna Cafe provided Montgomery and Stewart County residents with:

- 3,422 hot meals at our Mobile Cafe locations
- 2,134 carts of food
- 1,719 mini-meals for children
- 114 hot showers for the homeless
- case work benefits for 67 clients



For only \$19 per month you can make a huge difference in the lives of thousands in our community.

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Win a Vintage Corvette and Feed the Hungry!

Imagine cruising around town in a shiny vintage Corvette, windows down, music up, and knowing all the while that you're making a huge difference. It's not just a dream—it could be your next reality. Join Manna Cafe supporters by getting your raffle tickets today to win an extraordinary prize that will transform your drive into a mission of love.



Now is your chance to relive the glory days in a 1981 Corvette to be raffled by Manna Cafe on November 3, 2023. With the original dark blue paint, this model features a 350 cubic inch (5.7 liter) engine, mirror T-tops, cruise control, power steering, power brakes, and automatic transmission. The speedometer only goes to 85mph, but an anonymous source stated the car will go much faster.

Raffle tickets are only \$50 each, and you can purchase as many as you like. The drawing will be held at the annual Manna Cafe Golden Gala (the winner does not have to be present to win). This year's event promises to be bigger than ever. The venue has been moved to the spacious Wilma Rudolph Event Center situated in Liberty Park. The evening will include dinner, live entertainment, and a live auction of unique pieces from local artists and businesses.



At Manna Cafe Ministries, our mission is to serve God by feeding undernourished bodies and souls in our community. Your support enables us to offer hope and spread love.

Don't miss out on this chance to look good AND do good!



For complete details on the 1981 Corvette and rules for the raffle, follow the QR code or go to MannaCafeMinistries.com.

Tickets can be purchased on the website or the Manna Cafe office at 605 Providence Boulevard.

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Feel-Good Stories from Manna



Bell's Florist and the Unhinged Social Club of Dover, Tennessee, came together with a food drive to benefit Manna Cafe. This generous group collected 2,341 pounds of food with a value of more than \$700.

Manna is thankful for the generous people of Stewart County.



Congratulations Ms. Susan! Sometimes it's what we consider the simple things that stand in the way of progress. Susan just received her birth certificate and is one step closer to getting her ID. She will then be able to get a job.



Congratulations Jeff! What a great story he has to tell. Jeff just graduated from a rehab program and is headed to a sober living facility this week. Manna's caseworker also helped him get his ID card. We wish all the best to Jeff as he moves forward.



If you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.

- Isaiah 58:10



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