

# CENTER OF HOPE

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*Dear Friends,*

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, our hearts are full of gratitude to the Lord for His care of this ministry and those we serve. At the same time, we also are deeply grateful for each one of you whose partnership makes critical services and ministry a reality for thousands of the neediest among us here in our city. So, with that spirit of thanksgiving in mind, we echo the sentiments of the Apostle Paul as he encouraged his partners who stood with him in the Gospel.

The Apostle Paul's Thanksgiving Prayer

***Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy, for you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now. And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.***

**Philippians 1:3-6 NLT**

*From us all here at the Center of Hope -*

**Have a very blessed Thanksgiving!**

## The Purple Run

The 1st annual City of Whitehall 5K Purple Run turned out to be a great success due to all the participants and those who partnered in this worthy cause. As one of the recipients of the proceeds of the run, Victory was so grateful to add our show of support at this event highlighting the need for awareness of domestic violence in our local community.



## Holiday Food Donations

As we get closer to the holiday season, please consider hosting a food drive in November or donate items from the list below to help with the preparation of the food boxes!

Peanut butter, canned peaches, canned green beans, tuna and dry spaghetti.



# Season of Hope

Connect with us this Christmas Season

In the month of December, the Center of Hope transitions from its regular services to prepare for our Season of Hope Outreaches. Our outreaches give over 1,000 food boxes and 2,500 toys to those in the community struggling this holiday season.

## Food Box Preparations

December 12, 2024

*This is an evening opportunities for groups of 8-12 people.  
Adults and children 12 and older are welcome.*

Join us to pack some of the 1,000 food boxes we will be distributing on Season of Hope Outreach Days. We need people to assemble boxes, pack boxes, stock the food line and more!!

## Food Box and Toy Distributions

December 17 - 18, 2024

*Volunteer shifts 9:30 am-3:30 pm.  
Adults and children 12 and older are welcome.*

We will have opportunities for registration, hospitality, food line, toy shoppers and more! Distributions will be happening outside; however, we will have some roles inside and some outside....so hopefully we can find something for everyone!

## Home Delivery Program

Saturday, December 14, 2024

*9am-12 pm  
Family Friendly Event (children of all ages welcome).*

Small groups of volunteers will be going out to deliver food boxes to senior, shut-in and disabled neighbors within the community. In addition to dropping off the food box, volunteers will have the opportunity to spend some time in fellowship and prayer with the individuals receiving boxes.

Contact us at [christmas@victorycoh.org](mailto:christmas@victorycoh.org) to register for any of these outreach these opportunities.

# Toys for Joy

During the Christmas season, Victory Ministries gives away over 2,500 new toys to children in need every year. With the help of local businesses, many local churches and families across Central Ohio, Victory puts a smile on hundreds of parent's and children's faces through generous toy donations.

## SHOP AND SHIP

Shop our [Amazon Wish List](#) and have gifts shipped directly to the Center of Hope.

## SHOP AND DROP

Shop your favorite retailer and drop-off unwrapped toys to one of our partner locations. Visit [www.victorycoh.org/christmas](http://www.victorycoh.org/christmas) for a list of partner locations.

## WE SHOP FOR YOU

Make a [donation online](#) or by check and our team will shop for you. Be sure to mark the comment section of your donation, **Toys for Joy**

