

# OUR FATHER'S PERSISTENT LOVE MINISTRIES, INC.

MINISTRY UPDATE

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*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: the old has gone, and the new has come."  
2 Cor. 5:17*

## ***INMATE CHILDREN GIFT GIVING PROJECT 2015***

**Children: 117      Families: 62      Jesus DVD's: 39**

**Deliveries: NJ, PA, NY, MD, NC, FL, MI**

*Your prayers for our Inmate Children Gift Giving Project  
have been answered in a BIG way!!*

*Please enjoy these stories of sharing God's love (and presents!) with these families.*

### ***Praise/Prayer Requests***

\* A HUGE thank you goes out to all our supporting churches and individuals that took part in either buying and/or delivering to an Angel Tree family this year. This was the largest list of names we have ever received and every single one of the children were blessed.

\* Thank you for your prayers for my chronic acid reflux problems. We are thinking the root of it all may be food allergies. I am on a very strict diet and it seems to be helping me a lot. Please continue to pray for full healing so I can move on from this and be more effective for service.

\* We have our largest group yet going to the annual Biblical Counseling Conference in Lafayette, Indiana. We are praying for a great time of refreshment in the Word and learning how to use the Bible to come alongside those in need. Please pray that the weather is good and for safe travel. Please join us next year if you can!

\* We praise the Lord for the new volunteers coming aboard and ministering in the county jails. We also have a new church that has been approved and is now ministering in Freehold and Ocean County Jails.

### ***Shannon Gives Back!***

A year ago one of our ladies named Shannon graduated from Teen Challenge in Long Island, NY. We were really excited when she readily agreed to help buy and deliver to an Angel Tree child right near where she was living. Shannon and her friend Elizabeth were greeted by a beautiful 12 year old girl named Danyerys along with her Grandmother. They spent about half an hour visiting and were able to pray for the family. They even brought them groceries. Danyerys loved her gifts and also received a Jesus DVD. What a wonderful way to share the love of Jesus at Christmas!



### ***Building Bridges!***

Tom and Regina drove all the way to Philly, PA to deliver their gifts to a family of 3 children. They soon found out that there were three additional kids living in the small apartment and being raised by their Grandmother. Tommy mentioned that the kids didn't have much, but were extremely polite, happy, and grateful children. Tom and Regina have fallen in love with this special family and have returned a number of times to bless them in many ways. This certainly is the Body of Christ in action!





*Claudia, Mom, Khamani, Angela*

### ***Reaching out to our neighbors!***

Trinity Bible Church was delighted to find out that there was an Angel Tree family living in close proximity to their church. The Pastor's wife Claudia, Angela, and Paula were assigned to this lovely family. They were warmly welcomed at the door by the mom and one of the kids. Three year old Milan was taking a nap. Gifts were given along with "Jesus Calling" devotionals and information about the church in case they were interested in visiting. The mom actually mentioned she was looking for a church to attend. They all joined hands in praying for the Dad, mom and kids. What a blessing these three ladies made in this family's life!

### ***Smiles from everyone!***

Annette and Deborah were greeted at the door with three big smiling faces. Serenity and Naveah are pictured along with their cousin. Trinity was at a sleepover and wasn't home at the time. Gifts were given and the girls were so excited, but Mom said they would have to wait till Christmas to open them! Such patience! The girls wanted to send Dad a message saying "how grateful they were for the gifts and that they love him!" It's amazing the impact a few gifts can make in people's lives.



*Cousin, Serenity, Naveah*



*Julia, Adrianna, Sean*

### ***Reconnecting with old friends!***

Julia and her family were very excited to deliver to a family in Manahawkin, NJ. They had already delivered to this family a few years back, so had built somewhat of a prior relationship. Adrianna and Sean are around Julia's age so they were able to connect. The kids got to open their gifts while they were there and were so grateful that their Dad remembered them. Please keep this family in your prayers as it is extremely difficult for them and all these families who have a parent in prison.

### ***Thanks for the Christmas gifts Dad!***

We are so grateful for Grace Christian Church that does all of our Newark, NJ deliveries every year. They are willing to go into the less attractive neighborhoods and are always blessed by the families living there. As you can see from the picture, this family of three children were very excited that their Dad remembered them this year. They wanted to send a special message to let him know that they love him and are so grateful for the gifts!!

