

P.O. Box 309
Sultana, CA 93666
Phone (559) 591-5009
Fax (559) 591-5036
info@gleanings.org
www.gleanings.org

January 2009

Gleanings For The Hungry

A Ministry of Youth With A Mission

**“Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come.”
II Corinthians 5:17**



DONOR BANQUET

Steve Bartel, with YWAM Bogota, Columbia, was the guest speaker at our annual Donor Banquet on November 13. He shared of his ministry to the street children of Bogota. Fabian, one of the children saved from the streets through Steve’s ministry, joined Steve. Fabian shared his testimony of the love of Jesus being shown to him through caring people bringing him food and hot chocolate on the street. This was a blessed time of seeing first hand how God uses the practical gift of food to draw people to Himself and thanking those who give to make our ministry possible.

TRAIL MIX

After receiving a large donation of almonds we began making trail mix. Almonds, mixed with donated dried cherries, persimmons and pears, along with Gleaning’s dried peaches & nectarines, will make a wholesome snack for the hungry. Pictured here is a group from Sonora beginning the production.



OATMEAL DONATION

In Oregon

In September Bob’s Red Mill donated 60,000 pounds of oatmeal. The Fired Up youth group gathered together



and set to work. The oatmeal needed to be removed from its packaging and poured into totes, which required two Saturdays of work. Thank you, Bob’s Red Mill and Fired Up youth group, for making this donation possible and transportable.

At Gleanings

After the oatmeal arrived at Gleanings the work was not yet complete. It was now necessary to bag the oatmeal for individual distribution. Here, a group from La Jolla Presbyterian Church volunteered for the project, along with our DTS students Jessica and Emily. Interesting enough, Jessica was also with the group from Oregon that first repackaged the oatmeal.



CAMBODIA

RECENT REPORTS FROM GLEANING'S LAST SHIPMENT TO CAMBODIA'S FOURSQUARE CHILDREN OF PROMISE



BASEDTH, KAMPONG SPEU

"Pastor Eng Ly would like to say thank you so much for the soup mix and energy bars. They are such a blessing. The orphans in the church/home love the food—the energy bars are a special treat them! The food is also used to share with the church members and the needy. It is especially efficient in helping the church reach the homeless with the gospel because it enables them to meet a practical need. The kids in the home would also like to say THANK YOU!"



PREK BEY, PURSAT

"Pastor San of the Prek Bey church was able to not only use the energy bars to provide food and extra nutrition for the orphans in his home but was also able to share with the needy in his own community. This enabled him to once again show the love of Jesus in a practical way in the midst of his community."



SHIPMENT TO CAMBODIA

The DTS team loaded oatmeal, energy bars, canned salmon, and dried peaches being shipped to Cambodia and will help distribute it during their outreach. Thank you to the Faith Harvest Helpers from Oregon who gleaned, canned and donated the salmon. Emily's grandfather, Chuck Schmeckpeper, is with the Faith Harvest Helpers and helped process the salmon. This gives Emily, one of our students, a special connection with the food. It will be dynamic to see the Cambodian people being blessed and drawn to God because people loved them enough to provide food and come to share the love of Jesus with them.



DTS OUTREACH TO CAMBODIA

Our Discipleship Training School is traveling to Cambodia, with great anticipation, on Dec. 31. They will be ministering with Ted Olbrich and the Foursquare Children of Promise. We will be anxious to hear what God will be doing through them in Cambodia and report on their adventure.

**HAVE A BLESSED
NEW YEAR**

Director's Corner

Greetings! As we enter 2009 we are looking forward, in excitement, to seeing how God will show Himself faithful to Gleanings and our ministry partners. We are anxious to blend vegetable soup mix in January and await the many hundreds of volunteers that are scheduled to come and help. It is always a blessing to be able to work with so many of you who have a heart for God and a heart to serve, so that many will have a bowl of soup and an opportunity to hear the gospel of Jesus. Please pray for Lynn and I as we spend the first two weeks of January with the DTS students and staff in Cambodia. As these precious DTS students and staff continue on their seven week outreach, please pray that they would be a blessing to the people of Cambodia. May God bless you as only He can.

Rick

Jessica (pictured), along with the rest of the DTS participants, loaded the shipment for Cambodia. Jessie has made a trail of oatmeal by unpacking it in Oregon, repackaging it here at Gleanings and now going to Cambodia to bless the people.

