



ROOTED SERVE EXPERIENCE

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- Shawn Luis, shawn@crossroadsgrace.org
- Pastor Jim, jim@crossroadsgrace.org

Appreciate a Non-Profit

Provide a welcome appreciation event for a hard-working non-profit team.
How about arranging a meal, coffee or ice cream social for its key staff and volunteers?

- Cara Lehr oversees Pregnancy Help Center, and she can be reached at phcofmanteca@gmail.com, 209.603.9911.
- Doug Montandon oversees Love In The Name of Christ (Love INC), and he can be reached at douglas@loveincmanteca.org, 925.580.6398.

Meal for a Family at a Shelter

A meal can be a welcome encouragement for families in transition.
There are three shelters in town. You could arrange for a pizza meal at Hope Family Shelter (do a dinner on the playground area with a family), or at Building Hope Transitional House (prepare a meal with a family in their kitchen). Ask how they got where they are, what their thoughts are living at a "shelter," how their children are processing it, what they are thinking about their future, how they can be prayed for. Appreciate them and pray with them.

- Michelle Whittaker oversees Hope Family Shelter and Building Hope Transitional Shelter, and she can be reached at michellewhitaker@hopeministriesinc.org, 209.815.8517.

Visit Manteca Sikh Temple

Experience a completely different culture and begin to appreciate differences.
At the Manteca Sikh Temple, you can have a Sunday lunch time visit to meet and share a meal with people from the Manteca area at their place of worship. Visit and you will be offered a complimentary lunch (and it is great food). Ask honest questions to seek to understand some who we live alongside, shop with, and involve our children with in school and sports. We can probably arrange an interpreter to be with you, or we can ask God to supply someone

that day. This is out-of-the-box for some, but right-in-the-pocket for an amazing local experience.

- Pastor Jim has a different sheet that explains this more fully and he can be reached at jim@crossroadsgrace.org, 209.484.8734.

Manteca Homeless Task Force

Experience a new approach to how to help homeless.

With the Manteca Homeless Task Force in a Thursday morning ride-along with them as they interact with individuals and families (noticing how things go down, how hard it can be, and offering what help is possible). If you are able to treat a couple people of the Task Force to lunch or coffee, ask questions about how they got into the role, what they enjoy or struggle with along the way, how they persevere.

- Doug Montandon is part of the Homeless Task Force, and he can be reached at douglas@loveincmanteca.org, 925.580.6398.

Mobile Fresh Food Distribution

Serve the needy with dignity by providing them with much needed food.
At the Crossroads parking lot on a 1st and 3rd Friday mornings of each month, serve alongside Mobile Fresh, a part of the Second Harvest Food Bank, distributing fresh groceries to people in a line. This must be a humbling experience ... but serving folks in dignity and respect, you will find people are so appreciative. Afterwards, have your team debrief what was going through your minds and hearts?

- Rudy Valencia oversees Mobile Fresh, and he can be reached at rvalencia@secondharvest.org.

Mobile Homeless Shower

Provide a practical way to help homeless feel love.

At a spot around town on a Thursday noontime, help with the Mobile Shower Unit for area homeless where you would help people fill out simple paperwork, give undergarments and towels, a haircut or lunch, and have at least a couple people ask "how can we help you off the streets? If you have time to sit among folks over lunch, seek to hear their stories and how they are doing.

- Shawn Luis oversees the Mobile Shower Unit and she can be reached at shawn@crossroadsgrace.org, 209.629.0243.





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