

THE HARVESTER

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Greetings and blessings to our friends and partners in the Name of Jesus (Yeshua) SHALOM!

I am now taking over the newsletters and give all my thanks and appreciation to Sister Gerry Franck for your amazing newsletters filled with hope, laughs, and amazing recipes! I can only hope to do the newsletters justice. To start, I would like to apologize for any late newsletters that may come, but my excuse will always be "Hey, I'm in college...".

The last newsletter we had was in July. An update on what has happened these last six months is mainly on hurricane Irma, many families were affected over flooding, jobless, homelessness, we pray that the Lord Jirch provided to them, on the Name of Jesus . Amen.

In August Harvest Time Ministries was able to give 400+ backpacks filled with supplies to needy farm worker children. In November we begin "farm worker season" once again, as we visit families in the camps every other Saturday, distributing an average of 125 full bags of groceries, plus diapers, toiletries, clothing and other necessities to those who work hard for minimal wages and no benefits. They are also appreciative of the Word of God, ministered in Spanish, and encouragement and prayer from our chaplains. In December, Christmas was an exciting time in the camps specially for the children, they received toys, bikes and brand new clothing (see pictures).

Thanks to the volunteers we see each season, and the partners who continue helping the neediest of farm worker families in our area.

I pray that the Lord will use us further and guide us to lead more people toward the light, Yeshua. I pray that we bring more youth, volunteers, and help those at the camps, and not only help, but make a true impact towards them and their families.

As we start this New Year, many have come with resolutions. My resolutions being more exercise and healthy eating. So, it's only fair to continue the lovely tradition Sister Gerry has created.

PEACH-BLACKBERRY COMPOTE WITH BASIL SYRUP

Combine ¼ cup of sugar in a small saucepan; bring to a simmer. Remove from heat. Add 3 basil sprigs and orange zest; stir to immerse. Cover and let steep for 30 minutes.

- Strain syrup into a small bowl, pressing on basil and zest to release maximum flavor.
- Shortly before serving, combine peaches, blackberries, lemon juice and basil-infused syrup in a serving bowl; toss gently to coat. Serve garnished with basil sprigs.
- Tip: To peel peaches, dip in boiling water for 30 or 40 seconds to loosen their skins. Let cool slightly, then slip off skins with a paring knife.

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For I was hungry and ye gave me food; I was thirsty and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger and ye took me in; Naked and ye clothed me; I was sick and ye visited me; I was in prison and ye came unto me...inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me. (Matthew 25:35, 36, 40)

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Love Demonstrated

He loved us and sent His Only Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 JOHN 4:10

The word love is used to mean many different things. We say that we "love" the house that we have just bought or that we "love" a vacation spot or that we "love" a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. We also "love" a certain television program, and we love our husband or wife. Hopefully we don't' love our spouse the same way we love a peanut butter and jelly sandwich!

The greatest love of all, however, is God's love for us a love that showed itself in action. A friend once observed, "Love talked about is easily ignored, but love demonstrated is irresistible." The Bible say, "God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" Rom 5:8. Now That is real love!



How will you respond to His love today?

FATHER, I THANK YOU FOR SENDING JESUS TO DIE FOR ME ON THE CROSS FOR MY HEALING AND FOR FORGIVENESS OF MY SINS. JESUS, I KNOW YOU ARE WITH YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN NOW, AND THAT YOU SENT THE HOLY SPIRIT TO TEACH, LEAD AND GUIDE ME. I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU AND WANT TO LIVE FOR YOU IN MY DAILY LIFE. I THANK YOU, JESUS, AS I SAY THIS PRAYER FROM MY HEART, THAT I WILL BE WITH YOU ONE DAY IN HEAVEN. AND I

THANK YOU FOR THE JOY IN KNOWING THAT YOU WILL NEVER LEAVE ME OR FORSAKE ME. IN JESUS' NAME I PRAY, AMEN. * $\,$

*Note: As you pray this prayer, it is important that you have forgiveness in your heart. Ask the Lord to reveal to you anyone who might have hurt you, and then forgive them, and ask the Lord to forgive them; this also includes any unforgiveness you may have toward yourself. Then, if you have caused harm, physically or emotionally, toward anyone, ask to be forgiven. As we forgive, God says He will forgive us.



