

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; ..." Psalm 33:12

November 2024
Nacogdoches & Livingston

GODTEL Report



So Much to be Thankful For

I know that some, if not most, of you share my disappointment that we are still here on planet Earth; that Jesus did not return during this year's Feast of Trumpets. One of the thoughts that comforts me is the fact that there is a little more time for repentance and salvation to come to the people I have been praying for, some for many years.

Meanwhile, God's children must redeem the time, living the truth and speaking the truth to all who will listen. If we show loving concern for others, they will be a lot more willing to listen to our words.

Nacogdoches

The Nacogdoches shelter continues to operate at near capacity. While we praise God that we are able to help so many physically and spiritually needy people, our resources and staff are often hard pressed to keep up. We are so very thankful for the volunteers who come and teach Bible studies, the guest cooks, and others who help in a variety of ways. For example, students from Legends Barber College, recently came on a Friday and gave free haircuts.



The fact that they came to the mission instead of offering free haircuts to our residents who could come to them was extremely helpful. We were very thankful for their service.

Richard and Stephanie attended the Wellness Fair at Stephen F. Austin University last month. They had a table set up and handed out breakfast bars, candy, and information about

VOTE!

I voted early.

GODTEL and what we have to offer the homeless. More importantly, the information told about what Jesus has to offer: forgiveness and salvation from the penalty of sin, not to mention the peace, joy, love, and power He freely gives to His obedient children.



The photo above shows Richard sitting at the table next to a storyboard about GODTEL.

Livingston

Repairs to the women's dorm were interrupted by swarms of wasps pouring out of the attic. The workers knocked down one of their nests (see photo below), but



there were many more that we could not reach, so an exterminator was called in. We are thankful for the services of Broken Arrow Pest Control.

I was sitting in my Livingston office discussing something with Benita when there came a knock on the door. We opened it to find two lovely ladies, Virginia Haynes and Terrie Simpson, from the New Bethel Women's Missionary Union. They had driven over from Woodville to present a donation to GODTEL. Before they left, they prayed



GODTEL Ministries, Inc.

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Nacogdoches Stats — September, 2024

September Residents:	99
Nights' Lodging Provided:	1,998
Meals Served:	6,113
Christian Help Ctr. Clients:	483

Livingston Stats — September, 2024

September Residents:	24
Nights' Lodging Provided:	452
Meals Served:	1,388
Christian Help Ctr. Clients:	326

Lufkin Stats — September, 2024

September Residents:	67
Nights' Lodging Provided:	1,050
Meals Served:	3,253



Martin Baker
Executive Director

Martin was a founder of and, since 1975 has been affiliated with, God's Open Door To Eternal Life d.b.a. GODTEL Ministries, a 501 (c)(3) organization.

Following the death of

Bro. June Gentry in September of 2021, GODTEL's Board of Directors unanimously voted to promote Martin from Vice President to President of the Board of Trustees and Executive Director of GODTEL.

GODTEL is incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas but we do not seek nor accept government funding of any kind. GODTEL operates three homeless shelters in East TX, located in Nacogdoches, Lufkin, and Livingston where the Gospel of Jesus Christ is presented daily in word (twice daily Bible classes & Christian counseling) and deed (shelter, food, clothing, and other necessities).

In Nacogdoches and Livingston GODTEL operates "Christian Help Centers" which freely provide clothing, furniture, and household items to the poor.

**"The poor have the Gospel preached to them."
Matthew 11:5**

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for GODTEL, our staff and our residents. They blessed our hearts and we greatly appreciated their visit.

Thanksgiving Feasts

Each of our shelters will be hosting a traditional Thanksgiving dinner on Thanksgiving Day. Festivities will begin with a devotional followed by great amounts of feasting and fellowship. In Nacogdoches, the service begins at noon. In Lufkin, service time is at 2:00 p.m. and in Livingston we will start at 4:00 p.m.

The public is invited to join us. We welcome volunteers to provide a special dish, bags of ice, cakes, pies, or drinks.

For information please call one of our shelters. The phone numbers can be found below.

Ephesians 5:20

*Giving thanks always
for all things
unto God and the Father
in the name of our Lord
Jesus Christ;*

Until next month. - *Nancy Gentry*

Praising the Lord

**We rejoice to report that
during the previous month,
five of GODTEL's residents
made professions of faith in
Jesus Christ.
Please pray for them.**

For Your Information

Bro. June's sermons, music, and memorial service are available for viewing and listening to on YouTube. Just search for "June Gentry preaching" and you can hear the sermons he has preached at the missions.



His music CDs and helpful Christian literature, including the series on Faith by Manley Beasley are also available directly from GODTEL (Contact information is at the bottom of this page). Call, email, or write us.

Donate Your Scrap Metal

GODTEL accepts scrap metal donations, including old cars, lawn mowers, and appliances at each of our three locations.

(We will pick up vehicles when possible.)

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