

Manna Ministries

*Give us this day
our daily bread...*

Dear Supporter,

I have great news! A few months ago we received a **Matching Gift Challenge** from a local businessman and the community responded by reaching the goal of \$25,000! Amazing!! That much needed funding has gone into vital necessities here at Manna – food, heating oil, electric bills, and keeping our ministries going.

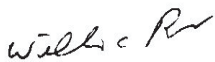
Now we've received another **Matching Gift Challenge**. We have 30 days, until the end of July, to raise **\$50,000!** Because of local media attention \$28,000 has already been pledged! I'm looking to you, our regular supporters, to help with the remainder.

You already know that there is more awareness of homelessness and poverty in the winter, but that the **poor need food, clothing and shelter 365 days a year**. Every weekday, year in and year out, our soup kitchen serves a nourishing meal. Every week our food pantry needs to be stocked to fill the grocery bags of those who need us just to get by. Every night people need a safe place to sleep. And yet, in summer, giving is traditionally way down.

Please don't forget your neighbors in need this summer. **They cannot wait**. As Scripture says, "Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but longing fulfilled is a tree of life." (Prov. 13:12).

Will you be hope and life this summer? No gift is too large or too small. While your family enjoys some hard earned vacation time, please remember those who need encouragement that will help them get back on their feet. An act of compassion can work wonders in a discouraged heart.

Looking forward to meeting our **Matching Gift Challenge**,



William Rae
Executive Director

P.S. Please send something. Jesus said even "a cup of cold water" (Mt. 10:42) given in the right spirit brings reward.

Count on me to help meet the Matching Gift Challenge!
I know there are needs all year long and I will be there!
Here is my gift of:

_____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$75 _____ other

All gifts are tax deductible.



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