

## **OUR MISSION:**

The Helping Center of Marble Falls provides nourishment and limited financial support to our neighbors in need in a dignified and hope-filled setting. As a unified community of Christians, we also offer opportunities for education, fellowship, and referrals providing a path to self-sufficiency.

## **NEED HELP? WANT TO HELP?**

**Hours of Operation** 

M-F 9:30 am - 1:30 pm (food/assistance)

Tues 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm (food) Thurs 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm (food)

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## **HOLIDAY HOURS**

We will be closed on Wednesday, January 1st to observe New Year's Day. We will also be closed on Monday, January 20 in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

The Helping Center wishes you a blessed & happy
New Year!



# THE HELPING CENTER

CLIENT NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2025

## **NOTICES & COMING EVENTS**

CLASS | "MONEY MATTERS" | Thursday, January 16 | 10:00 –11:00 am Have trouble budgeting? Turn over a new leaf in 2025! Join us as we host Cadence Bank for a new money management series. Learn how to budget, manage your expenses, set achievable money goals, and start that rainy day fund. Free \$10 H-E-B gift card for participants. CRC Meeting Room.

COOKING DEMO | "HEARTY WINTER SOUP" | Tuesday, January 21 | 9:30 am — 1:30 pm | Colder temperatures in the forecast? Stop by our welcome table in the client shopping area for a sample of this tasty, hearty soup. Offered with recipe cards and a FREE soup ladle.

COMING SOON | "GARDENING MADE EASY" | February, March, and April - dates to be announced | Back by popular demand, the Helping Center will partner with Texas A&M AgriLife to bring you this series on gardening. See our February newsletter for dates.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH | 15-Minute Spicy Ramen | Ditch the packet that comes with Ramen and add these new ingredients to kick it up a notch! Grab a copy of this delicious recipe on our display stand.

#### REFLECTING ON THE MIRACLE OF THE LOAVES AND FISHES

Have you noticed The Helping Center logo found on this newsletter and on the front of our building? Ever wonder about the story behind the graphic?

The story of Jesus feeding more than 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and two fishes is known as the "miracle of the five loaves and two fish". It appears in the New Testament in the Gospels of Matthew and John.

In this story, Jesus and his disciples are surrounded by hungry people. It is getting late, and there isn't much food nearby. The disciples ask Jesus to send the people away to the villages so they can buy food.

### Jesus, however, had another plan.

He asks the disciples, who have only a few loaves and fish, to bring the foodstuffs to Him. Taking the five loaves and two fishes and looking up to Heaven, Jesus gave thanks and broke them. He gave them to the disciples and directed them to begin feeding. The disciples did as Jesus asked, and soon all the people ate and were satisfied. And, what do you know? --- there were twelve baskets full of broken pieces left over!

At The Helping Center, we believe in miracles. Through the support of a loving and giving community, we are able, year after year, to distribute food to those who need a helping hand. No judgement, no strings attached. Only love.

Wishing you a year filled with love and promise.