

Camp Copass Boys Camp 2007

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Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:34-40

First Baptist Church in Hale Center, Texas, has a ministry for families in crisis. It is called Mission Hale Center. Mission Hale Center provides free food and clothing for families that don't have enough money to buy these things themselves. It also provides literacy training to help people learn English so they can get better jobs. Mission Service Corps volunteer, Naomi Brown, is Director of Mission Hale Center. Recently the GAs from First Baptist Church in Hale Center decided they wanted to help, too. The girls collected canned goods and pasted brightly colored Bible verses on each one. The verses were about love, serving, not worrying and trusting God. They invited Naomi Brown to their meeting. When she arrived, they asked her to sit in a chair with a big bag on the floor in front of her. Each girl, in turn, brought a can of food and placed it in the bag, and, as she did so, she quoted the Bible verse on the can to Mrs. Brown.

Now as these cans of food are handed out to families in need, they will receive not only welcome food, but also a Scripture verse helping them not to worry but trust God.

[Source: Naomi Brown, Mission Hale Center report May 2003]

For Discussion:

1. Does your church have a relief ministry for families in need? If not, is there a need for one in your community?
2. What might cause families to have to turn to a place like Mission Hale Center for help?
3. Do you think the GA girls had a good idea about helping with Mission Hale Center? Would you be willing to help a ministry like Mission Hale Center provide food and clothes for needy families? What could you do?