

Wednesday, December 8, 2010

Mission Tuesday #92

Today was an exciting day at Mission of Hope! Our new cooler arrived! The Mission's current cooler (commercial refrigerator) has been on its last leg for awhile now. But like He always does, God provided for us, way beyond what we expected...with a brand-new one!

One of our wonderful volunteers, who is a member of Grace Christian Fellowship Church, was very instrumental in helping this happen. She has seen what God is doing at Mission of Hope for some time, and believes in what the Mission is all about. She has taken her enthusiasm and passion about it back to her home church. When a few their church members asked what we needed, she told them we needed a cooler. A few days later, a generous check was presented from their church for the amount of a new cooler! Praise God!



The cooler was delivered after lunch today. It was actually a smoother process than we all expected. Unloading the cooler from the straight truck, it took many hands (and muscles), as it weighed approximately 700 pounds. What we witnessed was pretty amazing. A couple of men who really don't help out much at the Mission were excited to help bring it in. One of the strongest men who helped was one who we didn't expect...a 75 year old who lives a life of homelessness. One of the guys owns his own moving company, so he obviously has had some experiencing doing this kind of thing. Tom and Kimmie were trying to include everyone who wanted to help. I stood back and tried to take it all in...men and women from different walks of life were coming together, working together, guiding each other to bring this massive piece into the Mission's kitchen.



While this was happening in the back of the building, a couple volunteers, Karen and Amanda, were emptying out our current cooler in the kitchen. Two other volunteers worked to get it pulled away from the wall and ready to move out. It all seemed to work like clock work.





Before no time, our current one was moved out, one of our Mission friends, Shawn, and I cleaned where it was, and the new one was moved in. It looks amazing! It's funny what we get excited about at the Mission...a new cooler!!

With this new cooler, we are able to help more people with the food and hot meal portion of Mission of Hope. What a gift, and what a blessing it is and will be to so many! Thanks be to God for all who made this happen today! :)