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God at Work Through Northwest Independent Church Extension

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Practicing ThanksLIVING!

Over and over again, the Scriptures declare that a life of THANKS will be revealed through our attitude, our words, and our actions. The Psalmist declared, "Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him and bless His Name." (Psalm 100:4). The importance of such a life marked by THANKSLIVING is emphasized in a variety of ways by the NICE Missionaries especially during the month of November.



Jeff & Mary Mullins

• The Canaan Church where **Jeff and Mary Mullins** serve plan a Harvest Dinner as an occasion to remember God's abundant blessings.



Ashland Bible Church

• **Nate and Muriel Shinn** and the Ashland Bible Church also have a Harvest Dinner which features a unique Thanksgiving Quiz, and concludes with worship at The Lord's Table.



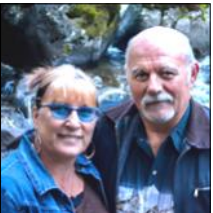
Lewis & Clark Bible Church

• The Lewis and Clark Bible Church family look forward to their Annual Harvest Dinner as well. **Caleb and Krista Hilbert** who serve this ministry near Astoria, OR stated that an emphasis of their gathering is the opportunity people have to write notes of praise and gratitude which are then posted and remembered throughout the year.



Nehalem Valley Bible Church

• The Nehalem Valley Bible Church, served by **Mark and Rachel Organ**, participate in the Vernonia COM OUT (COMMunity OUTreach). In November they will help and serve elderly people and those with special needs, providing garbage clean-up, meals and other things as a platform for speaking of Christ.



Larry & Joann Thayer

• **Larry and Joann Thayer** at Carson Bible Church give opportunity each Sunday for people to express their thanks and life's blessings. God is using this to bring much growth and encouragement to the believers. The growth has resulted in the church starting to develop property recently purchased for expansion.



Cambridge Bible Church

• The Cambridge Bible Church where **Roger and Emily Hayden** serve, and the Iglesia Bautista Cristo Vive served by **Jesús and Maria Cordova** also have Harvest Dinners planned with the church family encouraged to invite guests for "an amazing dinner" plus specials of music, readings and a speaker all designed to present the Gospel and share the love of Christ.



Jesús & Maria Cordova

• **David and Anya Belcher** who serve the Mission Ridge Bible Church of Manson, WA stated, "We are doing a "Friends-Giving" meal and fellowship as a way to remember all that God has done in our church and lives during this past year. This is also the celebration of our 1st Anniversary as a church - we rejoice in 20 active members, 7 of whom are new believers, recently baptized!"



David & Anya Belcher

We're so very grateful for your prayers and support of NICE! Your part in the on-going work of reaching people for Christ through the planting and establishing of churches is extremely vital! Join us in making each day one of **THANKSLIVING!**

So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase. I Corinthians 3:7