

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FAMILY PROMISE...

A Message from Andrea



Meals with Meaning 2022 Recap and Thank You

Our hearts are so full! We are celebrating the huge success of our 4th Annual Meals with Meaning Fundraising Event! Temple Sinai hosted our special evening in their beautiful event space. We heard from Keynote Speaker Mayor Rusty Paul and a graduated mother tell her inspirational story of determination to reach self-sufficiency. Thank you to all that attended our event, our sponsors, and our volunteers. We achieved and exceeded our fundraising goal! None of this would be possible without our loyal supporters. On behalf of The Family Promise North Fulton/DeKalb Board of Directors and Team, we cannot thank you enough for all you do! Thank you for believing in our mission!





**A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR
BAND WHO HAS PLAYED AT
ALL 4 MEALS WITH
MEANING!**

**They are a great group and
we love them being a part of
our event.**

*captain
the kid*



**LET'S PLAY IN
MAY!!!**

**Join us for Family Promise's
1st Annual Cornhole
tournament!**

**Sunday, May 22nd at 1pm at
Oak Street Bottle Shop just a
block away from the FP
office!**

**LET'S CORNHOLE FOR A
CAUSE!**

**[https://cornholeatl.leaguelab.com/
league/50605/details](https://cornholeatl.leaguelab.com/league/50605/details)**

BY THE WAY-

**Did you know that Oak Street Bottle Shop
was our drink provider for Meals With
Meaning? Their wine and beer catering
company is called Top Job Beverage and
Events. They were amazing to work with!**

We are so fortunate to have a great little neighborhood partnership



with them. We are loving our new office location already, as it has opened many doors for us!

SPEAKING OF PARTNERSHIPS....do you have any friends or know any businesses in the area that we can partner with? We would like to be a good neighbor and support our local restaurants, shops, etc. We would love an introduction. As we begin to plan more small events to raise awareness around Family Promise like the wine tasting and big events like Meals With Meaning, we are always looking to make more connections and form relationships. You never know!

Please contact Shannon at shannonpickerel@familypromisefnd.org

A SHORT REFLECTION

At Alpharetta Presbyterian Church on Sunday, we sang this hymn. After such a wonderful evening with Meals With Meaning, we wanted to take the time to share it with you...

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love; Show Us How to Serve the Neighbors We Have From You. Neighbors Are Wealthy and Poor, Varied in Color and Race; Neighbors Are Near Us and Far Away. These Are the Ones We Should Serve, These Are the Ones We Should Love. Loving Puts Us on Our Knees, Willing To Wash Others' Feet; This Is the Way We Should Live Like You.

Volunteer Spotlights:

Thank you to our incredible volunteers!

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST COORDINATOR-

Lisa Derrick is **Alpharetta Methodist's** new Family Promise Coordinator. Lisa is a retired United Methodist minister with a long standing interest in issues of housing insecurity. She has been married to her hubby, Mike for 48 years and they have three children and six grandchildren. Lisa and Mike have been attending Alpharetta Methodist since 2013.

TALK ABOUT COMMUNITY....

On Saturday, March 12th we had one of the coldest days of this past winter. The 20mph winds caused damage all over Atlanta. The winds knocked down power lines by **Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church** so the families were without power. Of course, **MVP** graciously offered to put the families up in a

hotel room, but **RUMC** came to the rescue. **MVP's Penny, Steve and Aiden (Steve's son and Penny's grandson)** rallied and got the families packed up and moved and **RUMC** moved them in a day early. Thank you to **Talmadge Erwin** from **RUMC** for helping with the move in at a moment's notice. The FP staff and FP families are so grateful for the thoughtfulness and kindness that both congregations showed to our families. I love seeing our Coordinators work together! **THANK YOU PENNY, STEVE, KATHY, SUSAN** and all others who helped out in pinch! **FLEXIBILITY IS KEY** and **TEAMMWORK** makes the DREAM WORK!

TALK ABOUT AMAZING VOLUNTEERS.....

- **Dunwoody Community Church-** DCC was the Support congregation for Mount Vernon Presbyterian in March. **DCC's Charlie McRoberts** was spotted making lunches for our single mom's six kids. He was so happy to do it and help lighten the load of our hard working mom. Charlie is an amazing example of an FP volunteer, because he knows the little ways to support our families with kindness and hospitality!
- **Sandy Springs UMC** wants to recognize **Amy Kanderis** for her vital role with putting together the signup genius for every host week for the past 5 years. This past host week, Amy and her mom decorated the dining area in Mardi Gras theme because they have ties to New Orleans. **How fun!!**

**Thank you to our wonderful volunteers who
bring their whole hearts to helping our
Family Promise families!**

*We want to continue to share the ways you all go above and beyond for Family Promise.
Please contact Shannon if you have a volunteer you'd like to give a shout out!*

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