



Dear Friend of Good News Gang,

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One word is all I can say, "WOW!" Simply awesome... **The entire remaining balance of \$35,000 for the water department debt has been provided!!!** After a long journey of contending with the City of Detroit's Water Department concerning unfair charges, we can now move forward.

It's my great joy to say, "thank you!" to God for His faithfulness and "thank you!" to you! Thank you for praying! Thank you for caring! Thank you for sharing your financial resources! Thank you for being a part of lifting this heavy burden from our shoulders! Thank you for helping us enter 2021 with a fresh start! Thank you for locking arms with us to reach precious children in Detroit! **You are the miracle within the miracle!**

My faith has been strengthened by watching God supernaturally provide for our needs year after year, through friends like you. Together we are providing a safe place for children to hear the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ and for them to experience personal mentorship and discipleship, weekly youth services, free lunches and transportation, weekly home visits and after school tutoring programs. **We are committed to continue leading and empowering children to victory, now and into adulthood — destroying generational curses by developing consistent, healthy relationships.**

This semester at Good News Gang has been amazing, even amid the safety challenges and concerns of the unprecedented time and season we are living! The selfless dedication from every worker demonstrates God's unwavering love for our city. Every week our team goes into the streets of Detroit sharing the love and life of Jesus. The team forges ahead by standing firm between life and death, by being an extension of God's hands and feet in and to a city that desperately needs Jesus.

We have seen God bring children up and out of the most horrific circumstances and given them hope and a future. During this semester, our teaching focused on the truth of Jesus words, **"The thief comes only to steal, kill and destroy, but I came that they might have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10).**

For updates, pictures and videos from this past semester, please visit Good News Gang's facebook page.

As we move forward into a new year, I am more committed than ever about bringing the abundant life of Jesus to children who live in neighborhoods surrounded by poverty, crime, drugs and perverse sin.

Thank you for being a friend and partner of Good News Gang.

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