

Manna Ministry Annual Report – 2025

Mission Statement

Manna exists to reveal God’s love both spiritually and physically by serving our community with compassion, dignity, and faithful stewardship. Through food distribution, fellowship, and service, we seek to meet tangible needs while pointing others to the hope found in Christ.

Manna and Our Community

Throughout 2025, Manna experienced continued growth in both reach and operational effectiveness. By strengthening systems, expanding volunteer engagement, and improving accessibility, the ministry served the community more efficiently while remaining firmly rooted in its Christian mission.

Program Highlights

Registration & Training Improvements (March–June 2025)

Updated registration training and the implementation of a **QR code registration card** allowed participant information to be entered directly into the food bank database. This resulted in faster registration, improved data accuracy, elimination of monthly registration reports, and a smoother experience for both recipients and volunteers.

Weekly Distribution Impact

Manna distributed an average of **450 food bags every Thursday**. During the government shutdown and temporary SNAP suspension, demand increased significantly, and Manna served **approximately 575 food bags in a single distribution**, the highest total in ministry history—demonstrating God’s provision during a critical time.

Volunteer Engagement

Weekly operations were supported by **40–50 volunteers**, including individuals from neighboring churches. This collaboration reflects the unity of the Body of Christ and remains essential to sustaining the ministry.

Facility & Accessibility Improvements

New sanctuary seating arrangements were implemented to better accommodate participants with disabilities, improving comfort, safety, and accessibility for all.

Leadership & Oversight

Manna is guided by a leadership team consisting of **Lexxy, Peter, Rowena, and Fale**, providing oversight of operations, volunteers, and planning. Leadership continues to track key metrics—individuals served, food bags distributed, and volunteer participation—to ensure accountability and responsible stewardship.

Operational Enhancements

December 2025: A forklift was purchased to support warehouse and distribution operations, improving efficiency, safety, and workflow while reducing physical strain on volunteers.

Ministry Team & Spiritual Emphasis

Faithful volunteers serve in registration, food distribution, logistics, prayer, and packing food bags. Spiritual encouragement is fostered through **monthly Bible verse memorization**, including *Jeremiah 29:11–12*, *John 3:16*, *John 10:9–10*, and *Ephesians 4:31*. Prayer is intentionally held before worship, registration, and food packing, acknowledging God's guidance in all aspects of ministry.

Looking Forward

As Manna moves into the coming year, the focus remains on faithful growth, improved efficiency, and service rooted in Christ's love. The ministry continues to rely on a **flexible volunteer model**, welcoming individuals to serve as their schedules allow, while recognizing the ongoing need for additional support. Through continued prayer, outreach, and community involvement, Manna remains positioned to serve faithfully and invite greater participation in the work God is doing.