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Open Arms Mission Gather, Sort & Send

Dearest Friends,

As we start the year many of us follow the tradition of making New Year's resolutions, I always take the opportunity to remind myself of who I am and who Christ calls me to be, so I thought that this would be a good place to start this message.

We at Open Arms Mission are a place that cares. As Christians, we are called to care about others and strive to have a positive impact on other people's lives. Whether it is someone in Welland, Niagara Region or the community beyond, we are there in times of need, in times of joy and all the time in between. We at Open Arms Mission strive to prove our Caring Spirit every day. We welcome all to our doors.

Over the past year we have aided over 10000 people right here in Niagara. Supplying over 500,000 lbs. (about 226796 kg). of food for those in need. One of our biggest fundraisers of the year falls just a few weeks away. 25 February 2023 marks the Coldest Night of the Year. For more information, please see our Facebook page or give the Mission a call at (905) 788-3800.

Please watch out Social Media pages for other events like Pop-Up Food Drives.

This is a year of growth and change. As our former Executive Director transitioned to an amazing new roll of Fundraising Coordinator and I started as the New Executive Director, we are putting plans in place so our programs can expand to meet the rising need of those we serve.

Our resolution for 2023 remains as thus, to continue to be who we are, to remain open to who Christ calls us to be and to serve with a humble and kind heart.

With Grace and Blessings,

Daniel Harrison



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## COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR

**FEBUARY 25TH, 2023** 

The Coldest Night of the Year walk will be taking place on February 25th at Niagara College Welland Campus. As the cost of living continues to rise so too do visits to the local Food Bank. A little walk that can make a big difference to support those in need in our community. There is no better place to see that in action then at the Coldest Night of the Year. You can register or donate online.





Scan to register or donate

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## PLEDGE A TURKEY CAMPAIGN

A BIG SUCCESS!

We want to acknowledge and show our appreciation to all those who donated to the "Pledge a Turkey" Campaign this year! Your response was overwhelming! Many Turkeys and Hams were given out this past Christmas season. This Food was received with such joy. Thank you for all you do! Thank you for continuing to show you are for Welland.