



Joe McDonald Ministry

Isaiah 6:8

## The Evangelism Trail –December 2022



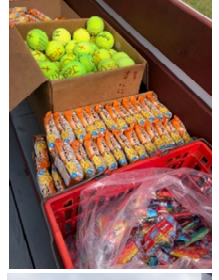
We are ending our 19<sup>th</sup> year of full time ministry with a very busy December. We just ended the Christmas Parade Season with our third parade. We handed out over 3,000 items with the message of hope, forgiveness and “Jesus Loves You .” On the left is the Tillman’s Corner Parade that was Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup>. We had great help from our family and friends. We had tennis balls with “Jesus Loves You,” Ramen noodles with a tract on the outside, small plastic bags with a tract and candy, bracelets that said “Jesus Loves You” along with many other handouts. The City of Loxley Friday night parade on December 9<sup>th</sup>, was well attended and loads of fun. We lit up our float so the art could be seen. The Dawes Parade the next day had many participants both in the parade and as spectators enjoying the beautiful array of Christmas floats. Our helpers made the day fun and exciting; a great way for them to learn to serve and share Jesus at an early age.

Though it is a lot of work, time, money and effort to prepare for these events, we believe it is an opportunity to share Jesus and His saving grace with thousands of adults and children from all backgrounds. This could be the only way some of these folks will ever learn or hear about the “Good News!” Even a parade at Christmas time can have eternal results. With the traditional and contemporary Christian music we play (loudly I might add), it is fun to see the people react to the great *Jesus Music* as I call it.

Our next parade is in April in Chalmette, LA. This time we will ask for donations of tennis balls, ramen noodle packs, any item that scripture can be added to, and “Jesus Loves You” bracelets. The “Irish, Italian, Islesos Parade” is 6 miles long! Parades in Mobile were about 1.5 miles long. We could hand out thousands upon thousands of items then. We did have some tennis balls and bracelets donated this year. We wrote “Jesus Loves You” on 800 tennis balls and placed tracts and candy in thousands of small plastic bags. We’ll start early and send out the links to the things we have found that people like to catch. We will gladly accept any and all donations.

We will be at “The Mission of Hope” for “The Power of the Father’s Blessing” Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> and chapel service on the 17<sup>th</sup>. For 2023, events are scheduled through November here, in Florida, Georgia and Louisiana.

Praying you have a Christ filled Christmas with your family making memories that will last a lifetime. Thank you for another successful year serving Jesus.



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*“For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.”. Luke 2:11-12*

Christmas 2022

2022 has been a busy year, to say the least. To say the most, as the representatives of the McDonald Family, we corporately thank God for the blessings and safety of this year and praise Him always for the gift of His Son as well as the health, provisions and just fun He has allowed us to have!

As we prepare for the 6th and 7th parade with “The Gospel Parade” Float, we reflect on how God has allowed us to share the Gospel this year, through programs, seminars, and tracts, and it is amazing how a “little” ministry like ours has been blessed. We are sharing Jesus with you and for you!

***Here’s a small update on the fam:*** Andrea is still our #1 helper and potato salad maker! She works as Police Officer in the Mobile Courthouse. She also does the tech at her church, Pathway, in Mobile and Foley. Laura (28), Joey and Peyton (7) live in town but are very stealth in their visits, we hope to see them on Christmas Eve!

Jennifer and Ellis live in Enterprise, AL. Ellis is very close to retiring from the Army. Jen had a hospital bout with Covid pneumonia, and we are extremely thankful she has recovered well. Olivia (20) is in college near their home and Mitchell (12) is rockin’ middle school.

Nicole and David have one married child, Kathleen (24) (Phillip) and will soon have two, as Ryan (21) and Skylar are engaged to be married in May of next year after graduation. Mal (16) is a Junior at Cottage Hill Christian and is driving!!!

Sarah and John are in Dallas, TX! Brittany (24) is in Mobile, adulting, while Jacelynn (21) is in TX, working and doing the grown-up thing too! JJ (15) is our basketball star of the year (in Nanny’s eyes!) We are proud of him, always!

Joey and Veronica stay busy with their 3, Mia (10), Joey, Jr. (9 this week), and Naomi (4). God provided Joey a job at CHBC as Facilities Director and Veronica is still faithfully publishing her Literary Journal, plus a Kid’s Journal twice a year. HeartOfFleshLit.com and PureinHeartStories.com

Sean, Mikaela (14), Cole (13), and Alex (10), are in Alexander City, AL. Sean is still working at Plant Kinetics and makes the rounds to three different schools every day. He pops down here for special occasions, but it looks like a Nanny and Pawpaw visit for Christmas this year.

Joe and I continue to serve “wherever He sends us”! We are working on our schedule for next year, while finishing up a great year of ministry, including 4 One Day with God camps, 10 Father Seminars at the Mission of Hope (with son Joey helping.) And now the final parades of the year (making 4 for 2022). Be sure to read the newsletter, attached, for all the info on the literature and throws we gave out!

Just a short update on Mom Noddy (Nodar), she is 93 and still living at home in good health. She doesn’t get out much but welcomes any company, any time! We all (the Nodar sibs) check on her daily and she has a passel of friends who love her and minister to her. Well, the 30+ of the McDonald Family love you and miss you. We have room for company, anytime! God has helped us in so many ways, most especially, in sending Jesus to save us from Death and Hell! To God be the Glory! MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM JOE & PATTI MCDONALD

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