



Before the crowd came! Rev. Jim Craig, Dr. Mary Craig, Pastor Xavier Suarez and so many helpers...

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Barnabas Project Distribution Report

What a day Saturday! With 12 years' experience and all the teamwork on the part of both hosts and MCM, we really saw the vision come together. God moved in our midst, blessing close to 200 families according to our hosts' estimate. From "making" Christmas to "selling" free bread to evangelism to a surprise lunch to worship and ministry and to serving one another in love, we were blessed to see God in action in people's lives. How encouraging!

At our worship service Sunday, we enjoyed hearing just a few of the stories of what God did Saturday; so many things were going on simultaneously. The distribution at St. Luke AME church and Ministerio Cristiano Nuevo Comienzo was a worship service in motion. God blessed us with Pastor Shepherd Rosier (AME) and Pastor Xavier Suarez (Ministerio...) along with their congregations, who distributed 400 flyers (door-to-door according to the grapevine), set up tables with tablecloths and signs, prepared a fabulous and healthy lunch for all the workers, unloaded the 16-foot Budget Truck, etc. God also blessed us with Lydia Navarette and her sister Norma of Light club Ministries, who gave the gospel to many, many children in a fun but meaningful way, with Dale Steinmetz pitching in. God blessed us as He anointed pastors, moved in compassion for the sick and downtrodden, confirmed that He knew and was answering people's deepest concerns, and moved children and adults to pray to receive Christ.

I'll let a few pictures say 1000 words.



Setting up



People wait and then suddenly the place is filled with families everywhere. The Barnabas Project targets distressed neighborhoods who welcome help and hope in South Florida. It doesn't happen without donations of food, clothing, toys, household goods, children's play equipment, and school supplies. A special "thanks" goes to companies like Publix, Russell Stover, Traderman, and Pepperidge Farm along with the countless individuals who gave.



Pastor Suarez (green shirt) and a few men who enjoyed the day plus families "shopping" for free.

Thank you to all who participated for donating, for collecting and sorting, for praying, for helping load up the tables, for keeping a watchful eye, for spreading some joy around, and for ministering and serving the LORD in a significant way. We give glory to God for this

demonstration of His goodness and grace. The faces of a few of the many happy children there say "thank you" best.



You are loved and much appreciated, not only this day but every day! May the Holy Spirit pour out upon you His manifold blessings!

Pastors Jim & Mary Craig

David Patten, Barnabas Project Director

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