

WEEK 24 FOUNDATION MINUTE – GIFTS OF HOPE

December is the season of giving in many faith traditions. We are surrounded by messages to SPEND, BUY, MAKE SOMEONE HAPPY....focused on the comfort and satisfaction of those having “wants” and not “needs”. But perhaps this year, we can open another door – that of giving to those whose NEEDS are not being met – who truly cannot manage without going to a food pantry, or those whose children won’t even get a holiday gift without someone making a special effort to purchase one.

What about giving the gift of shelter? Shelter Box provides emergency shelter after natural disasters to help anyone around the world affected by earthquakes, hurricanes and other disasters. The Rotary Foundation’s Disaster Recovery Fund assists in getting life back to normal when disasters strike – aiding in short and long-term recovery to help businesses and families restart their lives and livelihoods.

Or give the gift of life without paralysis – it costs only \$3.00 to fully vaccinate a child against polio – whether in the last two countries where the disease persists – Pakistan and Afghanistan – or to continue to protect those children in the rest of the world who all need to be vaccinated until polio is gone for good. How many children can you help this year?

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Our focus on disease prevention is especially important

this year, as we work together to vaccinate EVERYONE – against CoVid, against Polio, and against anything that threatens the health of the residents in our communities.

When those who CAN be vaccinated do so, those who cannot, due to medical conditions, are protected too.

