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MAT FOR HOMELESS MADE FROM PLARN

Being the reader of our churches monthly newsletters (at least those that are sent to us) there are times when a church shares something with their members that is worth sharing Conference wide. The following idea is from **St. John's (Hain's) UCC in Wernersville**.

A project St. John's (Hain's) UCC is undertaking this winter, is making sleeping mats for the homeless out of Plarn (Plastic yarn). The plarn is made from plastic grocery bags that are cut to size, and crocheted into a mat. Here are more details:

Who knew that this PLASTIC BAG which we all have in abundance (and sometimes do not know what to do with), COULD OFFER SOME COMFORT TO A HOMELESS PERSON.



We can turn these plastic bags into...sleeping mats for the less privileged. They are waterproof, bug proof, and easy to keep clean. They also hold body heat and are lightweight and easy to carry. A blessing to a homeless person.

You can help, by collecting plastic grocery bags, or have your church take on this project yourselves. Members could collect bags, help cut the bags and prepare the "plarn" and those with crochet skills are fee to crochet the mats.

The leader of this project at St. John's (Hain's) is more than happy to work with you to get your own project off the ground or to assist them with theirs.

You can reach out to Pat Roberts at PatRoberts@stjhains.org.

As Pat is quick to say...."I will be happy to assist you. It is very easy, and very much needed. Contact me with any questions or

comments. I will tell you what you will need to crochet a mat, or tell you how to cut the bags for PLARN.

Thank you in advance for your love and kindness."



REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

EACH DAY ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX. ON CHRISTMAS EVE DONATE THE CONTENTS TO A FOOD BANK.

December 1 - box of cereal

December 2 - peanut butter

December 3 - stuffing mix

December 4 - boxed potatoes

December 5 - macaroni and cheese

December 6 - canned fruit

December 7 - canned tomatoes

December 8 - canned tuna

December 9 - dessert mix

December 10 - jar of applesauce

December 11 - canned sweet potatoes

December 12 - cranberry sauce

December 13 - canned beans

December 14 - box of crackers

December 15 - package of rice

December 16 - package of oatmeal

December 17 - package pasta

December 18 - spaghetti sauce

December 19 - chicken noodle soup

December 20 - tomato soup

December 21 - can corn

December 22 - can mixed vegetables

December 23 - can carrots

December 24 - can green beans

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Why not share this "Reverse Advent Calendar" with your members?

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