

## JANUARY

- Small group fellowship
- Collect Winter Items
- “Soup”er Bowl collection

 **Budgeting Workshops**

 **Cooking Classes**

## FEBRUARY

- Small group fellowship
- Collect Winter Items

 **Dinner with a Doc**

 **“Navigating Medical Services/ Expenses**

## MARCH

- Small group fellowship
- Business Food “Fight”
- Collect Easter Items

 **Cooking Classes**

 **“Tax Refund. Now what?”**

## APRIL

- Small group fellowship
- Host a food drive for Summer SWEEP

*Spring Banquet*

## MAY

- Small group fellowship
- Make birthday gift bags
- Church “Food”raising event

 **Dinner with a Doc**

 **Cooking Class**

 **Budgeting Workshop**

## JUNE

- Make toiletry/ laundry kits
- Host a food drive for Summer SWEEP

 **Cooking Classes**

*Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon*

## JULY

- Assemble snack bags for SWEEP
- Host a food drive for Summer SWEEP

*“Do You Know Your Neighbor” fundraiser & silent auction*

## AUGUST

- Collect school supplies
- Assemble snack bags for SWEEP

 **Buy a Bundle of SWEEP bags**

 **Budgeting Workshop**

## SEPTEMBER

- Small group fellowship
- Make birthday gift bags
- Assemble snack bags for SWEEP

 **Dinner with a Doc**

*“Empty Bowls” fundraiser & hunger awareness event*

## OCTOBER

- Small group fellowship
- Solanco Crop Walk
- Faithful Give

 **Cooking Classes**

*Bridges Out of Poverty educational event*

## NOVEMBER

- Small group fellowship
- Collect items for Thanksgiving meals

 **Dinner with a Doc**

 **Cooking Class**

 **Budgeting Workshop**

## DECEMBER

- Small group fellowship
- Host a “mitten tree”
- 12 Days of Christmas

 **Dinner with a Doc**

## **Special Events:**

**Empty Bowls:** This event in September aims to raise awareness about food insecurity in our community. Guests experience various foods and tickets purchased support the ministry and our local neighbors.

**Solanco CROP Walk:** You are invited to fight hunger in our community by participating in the 2024 Solanco Crop Walk in October. SNM receives 25% of the proceeds.

**Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon:** Take time to honor the many individuals who support SNM all year round.

**Faithful Give:** This is a new, local fundraising event happening over three days in October 2024. We are helping to connect people who desire to love like Jesus, give in joy, and share one another's burdens.

**Bridges Out of Poverty Educational Event:** Learn how to support/understand your "Neighbor" no matter who they are.

**Spring Banquet- "Do You Know Your Neighbor?":** Learn what the Ministry is doing in the community while walking a few miles in your neighbors' shoes. Come for the food and fellowship and leave with a better understanding of the needs in the southern end and how you can help.

**Silent Auction Fundraiser- Do You Know Your Neighbor?":** Enjoy an evening out at Britain Hill, bid on fun and unique items, and support SNM at the same time.

## **Classes & Collection Events:**

**Intro to Spending, Saving, & Credit:** We spend time reviewing how credit works, why it is important, how to save, and how to plan expenses each month. *\*Each of these topics can also be individual classes*

**Navigating Medical Expenses:** Review local medical assistance programs & learn how to apply for assistance.

**Identity Theft:** A discussion of current scams affecting individuals in our community.

**Tax Refund, Now What?** Explore tips and ideas on what to do with your tax refund and provide resources that could make filing your taxes FREE.

**Loans:** Learn to search safely for common loans (auto, mortgage, etc.) and how to find a reputable lender.

**Vehicle Purchase Basics:** Understand the car-buying process and feel empowered in your next car search.

**Higher Education with Less Debt:** Learn your student loan and financial aid options before taking on debt.

**Cooking Classes:** You will prepare, cook, taste, and bring home some food from these events.

**Food on a Budget:** We review how to save money when buying and cooking, and how to make food stretch by meal planning and creating menus for one week or longer.

**Christmas on a Budget:** This workshop helps people make a smart money plan for the holidays, all year round.

**Small Group Fellowship:** Groups focused on discipleship/fellowship & sharing Jesus' message of love & hope.

**Mitten Tree/ Collect Winter Items:** Host a drive to collect new/lightly used coats, hats, gloves, mittens, etc.

**"Soup" Bowl:** Cheer on your favorite team and support our neighbors by collecting soup for the ministry.

**Dinner with a Doc:** A special dinner and presentation by local health providers on important health topics.

**Business "Food Fight":** A food fight where everyone wins. Various businesses collect food and monetary donations to support SNM. Each participating business will compete for bragging rights and a trophy while supporting our food insecure neighbors.

**Church Foodraising:** Churches encourage their congregation to "Foodraise" during the month of May.

**Host a SWEEP Food Drive:** Collect food items so children have weekend meals throughout the school year.

**Host a Summer SWEEP Food Drive:** Collect food items so local students have meals over the summer months.

**Collect School Supplies:** Collect school supply items for SNM's Backpack Giveaway Day in August.

**Help with Holiday Meals:** Host a drive to collect food/monetary donations for our Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. *\* Look for our special Advent Calendar and 12 Days of Christmas list*

**Make Birthday Bags:** Collect and bag cake, icing, candles, etc. so SNM clients can celebrate their special day.

**Make Toiletry/Laundry Bags:** Collect detergent pods, dryer sheets, toiletries, etc. for SNM's homeless neighbors.