

September/October 2025

NEWSLETTER

# SOLANCO NEIGHBORHOOD Ministries

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## FAITHFUL GIVE



One gift. Greater impact. Give during Faithful Give, October 19th – 21st, and help us unlock stretch funds and prizes to fuel our mission. Every dollar –and every prayer—matters.

[FaithfulGive.org](https://FaithfulGive.org)

## EMPTY BOWLS



Join us for our Empty Bowls Fundraiser on November 8th! Centered around the simple idea, no one should

have an empty bowl, our event brings together the community to share a meal and raise funds for those facing food insecurity. At the event, select a handcrafted bowl, enjoy a meal prepared by local restaurants and caterers, and learn about the many ways SNM addresses food insecurity. We hope you can join us!

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and buy tickets. Families are welcome!

We are still looking for sponsors, food vendors, and auction items. If you'd like to be involved, please send an email to [tdolan@snministries.org](mailto:tdolan@snministries.org)



# SWEET EXPANSION



With your help, SNM provided over 1,500 meals for Summer SWEET families, which included meat, dairy, fresh produce, and pantry staples. Thank YOU for helping to supplement meals while the children were home.

SWEET is expanding into the high school starting Tuesday, October 7th. Our high school's version of the program will look slightly different than the traditional model. It will be provided in a way that is both discrete and respectful and allows students to choose items they like with the help of an SNM volunteer. *A special thank you to the "Putting Others First Partnership" for helping us launch this new initiative.*



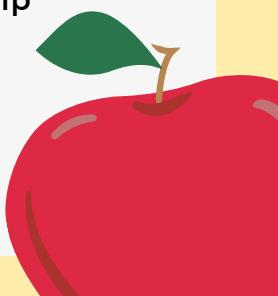
## BACKPACK DAY

Backpack Day 2025 was a great success! 254 (and counting) students, grades K-12, received backpacks and school supplies this year. Thank you to Quarryville Elementary for allowing us to use their school to set up Backpack Day. And a special thanks to our volunteers for assisting!

## FUNDRAISER UPDATE



Nearly 200 people attended our 35th Anniversary event and helped us raise \$11,000. Monies raised help fund our food bank, client resources, and Samaritan services. Thank you!



# CROP WALK



We hope you can join us at Muddy Run Park on October 18<sup>th</sup> (9AM). This walk raises money to help hunger locally and across the globe, with 25% of proceeds donated to Solanco Neighborhood Ministries. If you would like to raise money for this event, contact Mary Etta Reinhart at 717-808-4306.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information or to register for the walk!

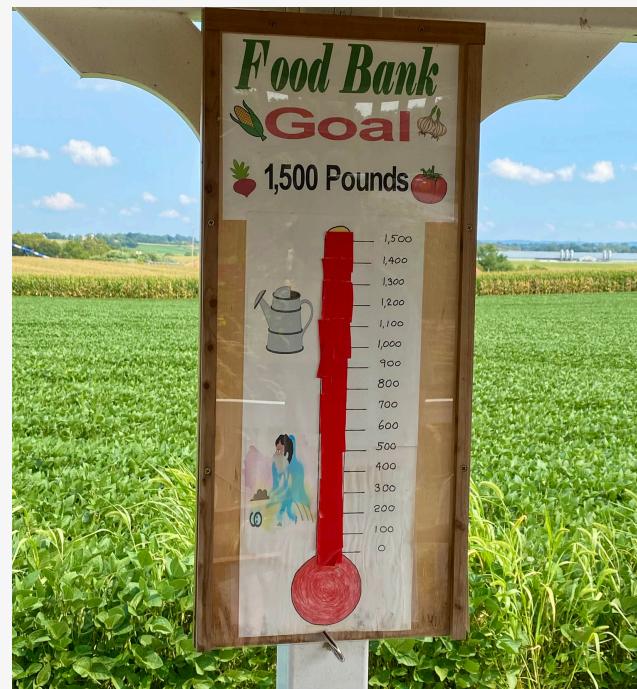
## SEE YOU AT THE FAIR



See you at the fair September 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>. We are located in tent #15, the same spot as last year.

# THANK YOU

Thank you to Willow Valley residents for growing and donating nearly 1500 pounds of produce. Together with local farmers and growers, we have received 5408 pounds of fresh produce this June, July, and August.



## FILL A FORD

Susquehanna Ford is part of the "Fill A Ford" food drive during the month of September, with donations benefitting the Solanco Food Bank. Stop by and drop off your donation to them at 150 Lancaster Pike, Willow Street

