Harvest Ministries Outreach Center Gives Away 75 Turkeys to Random People and Neighborhoods

Harvest Ministries' (HMOC) 4th annual "Great Turkey Giveaway" took place on Saturday, November 19. This year HHMOC went to various neighborhoods, shopping centers and local businesses - randomly distributing the turkeys to unsuspecting individuals.

Lead Pastor of Harvest Steve Adams shared, "Each year this giveaway proves to be a huge blessing and surprise to the community and people. We are thankful for the partnership of so many people in our county and surrounding areas to allow us to make the Thanksgiving holiday a little less expensive for so many people."

Donations of various amounts were received from over 50 individuals and many businesses to make the giveaway possible.

Adams also added, "As people who believe in and follow the example of Jesus Christ, there is no better way to show the message of Christ than by being the message of Christ, which was to give, bless, help and reach people!"

In additions to distributing the turkeys, Adams and the people of HMOC were able to offer words of encouragement, hope and prayers to many people they met along the way. Adams said, "HMOC would like to thank Commissioner Vancine Sturdivant, Precinct Officials at the Anson County Board of Elections, local businesses, and the congregation of Harvest for their generosity and love shown during this year's Turkey Giveaway." Harvest Ministries is now gearing up for the 17th annual Community Christmas



Blessing event which will be held in partnership with Anson County Toys for Tots on Sunday, December 18 at 10:30 a.m. at HMOC. Donations of new toys, prizes, doors prizes, and finances are now being collected to provide Christmas for many families and children.

Call Pastor Steve at 704-695-2879 for more information.



Insurance Commissioner Goodwin Wins Case Against \$600 Million Rate Increase

Insurance Commissioner Wayne Goodwin has announced the North Carolina Supreme Court has refused to hear the insurance industry's appeal of the North Carolina Court of Appeals decision affirming Commissioner Goodwin's rejection of a 2014 homeowner's insurance rate increase of approximately \$600 million.

"I am pleased to announce this victory for homeowners and I am proud to continue to protect every consumer in North Carolina," said Insurance Commissioner Wayne Goodwin. "I rejected the insurance industry's proposed rate increase because I felt it was unjust and this action will save homeowners hundreds of millions of dollars."

In January 2014, the insurance industry requested a 25.6% increase in homeowner's insurance rates across the state. That request was rejected by the department and a hearing was held on the filing later that year. In December 2014, Commissioner Goodwin ruled that the industry's proposed rate increase was unsubstantiated by presented facts and ordered that no increase be awarded. That ruling was appealed by the industry to the North Carolina Court of Appeals, who presented their decision upholding

Commissioner Goodwin's ruling on Aug. 2, 2016. The North Carolina

Supreme Court decided not to hear the case.

The Court of Appeals concluded their decision with "Upon a full review of the Commissioner's order, we hold the order reflects a careful, thoughtful, and thorough consideration of the evidence.



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Applicants shall have a valid driver license, and a High School diploma or GED. Must be able to pass drug screening. North Carolina distribution certifications will be a requirement of the Town of Wadesboro.

Position review will begin immediately and position will remain open until filled. To ensure full consideration, applications should be submitted by 4:00 p.m. on December 23, 2016. An application may be obtained in-person or printed from *www.townofwadesboro.org/employment.html*. Applicant should apply at the Wadesboro Town Hall, located at 124-126 East Wade Street, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

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