



A Community Christmas!

On December 14th, the New Hope & Retreat UMC's once again had the privilege of hosting a Christmas dinner at Prairie View Elementary School. Students of the school and their families received special invitations to the event. The event was also open to the surrounding community as well.

Those who attended the Christmas dinner were treated to a delicious homemade meal prepared and served by wonderful workers from the two churches followed by a message from Pastor Jim on the hidden meanings of a classic holiday treat – the candy cane! The children also received gifts and a special visit from Mr. & Mrs. Claus.

We would like to send out a special thank you to the wonderful anonymous donors who make this event possible each year. Your generosity is extraordinarily remarkable! Thank you so much for helping us bring the Christmas message to so many!

We would also like to thank everyone who donated their time and skills to help pull this event off! Whether you helped to coordinate, worked in the kitchen, shopped for the gifts, etc., your hard work and kindness helped to brighten the Christmas season for so many children and their families!



Merry Christmas,
&
God's blessings to you all!