



## Our Mission

The mission of Ebenezer Stone Ministries is being sent to share the love and hope of Christ through and environment of ongoing support.

We provide life-skill training such as job readiness, financial responsibility, and food and household items when needed.

## Message from our Executive Director

Thank you to our many supporters of Ebenezer Stone Ministries! To those of you who attended and supported our Pasta for a Purpose fundraiser in February, "Thank you for your generosity!" To our donors and corporate sponsors, "We couldn't do this without you!" To our volunteers, "You do the heavy lifting every day and really make things work!" As a team, we all make a difference!

Thank you for your support in doing God's work serving and witnessing the message of Christ to those in need!

*Michael Haas*

## Feeding America Donates NEW Equipment

### News Article - February 7, 2022

MILWAUKEE (CBS 58) – Food insecurity remains an issue in Southeastern Wisconsin.

But one gift to a local pantry is helping feed families while offering people a new job skill.

Ebenezer Stone Ministries operates a central location on Milwaukee's southwest side.

They connect at least six other pantries with needed items for thousands of people in their communities.

"Those pantries supply food for Kenosha, or the south side of Milwaukee. I think there's one that comes from Beloit. Places that we can't reach, that's not accessible they can come here and load up and feed the people," Michael Haas, Executive Director, Ebenezer Stone Ministries said.

## WEEK OF MEALS

A donation of \$350 underwrites 65% of the costs associated with one week of Wednesday and Saturday meals. If you are interested in sponsoring a **WEEK OF MEALS**, please visit our website at:

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It's all part of their partnership with Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin.

And today, the non-profit donated three pieces of equipment for the pantry – a forklift and two pallet jacks.



It just goes so far in their mission to not only serve the community over here but also their employees, and people who come right to them,” Tony Cartagena, of Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin, said.

Both organizations say food insecurity has grown tremendously during the COVID-19 pandemic.

And so, Haas says the food pantries are more vital now, then ever.

“A lot of people lost their jobs or a lot of people couldn’t work because they got sick,” Haas said.

The equipment donation will go beyond just moving pallets here.

Ebenezer Stone Ministries is partnering with MATC to offer fork-lift certification for students.



“And so the idea is to use some of these items to train people in this warehouse so that they can go out into the job market and move right into a career,” Haas said.

Ebenezer’s hub opened in August and also stores furniture, clothing and hygiene products for organizations to take.

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# PASTA FOR A PURPOSE

In support of  
**EBENEZER  
STONE**  
Ministries

Ebenezer Stone Ministries held its 2<sup>nd</sup> PASTA FOR A PURPOSE Fundraising Event on Saturday, February 19 at Martin Luther High School in Greendale. Over 100 guests were in attendance and helped our organization raise over \$15,000 for our mission.



Guests enjoyed a cocktail hour, dinner, a silent auction and entertainment from the Improv comedy group Fish Sticks.



A special THANK YOU to the Kulinski Family for donating the meal, Martin Luther High School for the use of the facility, and the Martin Luther students for their service at the event.

THANKS TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED OUR FUNDRAISER EVENT!

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## Thank You Partners & Donors!

Just over a year ago, we had a dream to increase our footprint by securing a warehouse wherein we would be able to store greater amounts of food, including fresh produce for the south side, where fresh food is in dismally short supply. That dream of additional space was realized in the fall of 2021 and is now known as Ebenezer East, located on 12th and Bruce. Through a divinely inspired partnership between the Siebert Foundation and Feeding America, Ebenezer East has become a hub through which at least six other local pantries receive and help disperse food. What has transpired is well beyond what we could have imagined.

We would like to specifically and humbly thank our partners without whom this expansion on 12th and Bruce would be impossible. With a grant from the **Greater Milwaukee Foundation**, we will be able to purchase an industrial cooler to store meat, dairy and other perishable items. Our partnership with **Feeding America** supplies us with an enormous amount of food. They also purchased shelving for food storage in our new space. Additionally, they blessed us with a donation of two pallet jacks and a forklift. We are working with **MATC** to become a training site for students who wish to learn how to operate a forklift, furthering their opportunities to find a good paying job. This gift keeps on giving! The **Siebert Foundation's** generosity has specifically increased our ability to provide more food and hot meals to our patrons at our pantry site, as well as to provide wrap-around services as other needs surface. Their gift also helped us to secure our warehouse. We would like to thank the **Cousins Foundation** and the **Stricker American Family Foundation**, whose funds allowed us to purchase proper equipment to process, clean, store and distribute fresh fruit and vegetables and other food items. We greatly appreciate the ongoing donations we receive from Aggies Bakery, Aldi, Amazon, Polermo's Pizza, Johnsonville, and Walmart. Additionally, our partnership with **MPD** has added value and strength to our community outreaches, **Nonprofit Management Fund** provided a capacity building grants, as do the nurses that volunteer their time to do health screenings on Saturday mornings. We are rich in relationship and blessed beyond measure to serve alongside all our generous partners.

**THANK YOU!**

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## Milwaukee Police Dept Community Partnership

On February 25<sup>th</sup>, the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) District Two formally recognized Ebenezer Stone Ministries as a Milwaukee Community Partner.



*L to R: Michael Haas (Exec Dir, ESM), Police Officer Eliel Contreras and Captain Patrick Pajot*

Ebenezer Stone Ministries has been closely involved with MPD in efforts to create and maintain neighborhoods capable of sustaining civic life. Together we are committed to reducing the levels of crime, fear and disorder in our community.

## Are You Interested in Volunteering?

Ebenezer Stone Ministries can use your help in serving those in our community.

We need groups to help sort at our Ebenezer East location and volunteers to help with our Food Pantry and Breakfast serving!

If you are interested, please visit the Volunteers page on our website:

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