

**BATESVILLE AREA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION FOOD
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Dear Friends,

For whatever reason, we continue to see a significant number of new clients at the Batesville Food Pantry. With the holidays coming up fast, we're afraid that this trend will continue. October through December, are usually our busiest months.

This is the time of year that we traditionally request extra food from each of the participating Ministerial Association churches. From staples such as vegetables and soups to holiday treats like cake and pie fixings, it has always been our goal to make the holidays a happier time of year. So often, people who are in an unfortunate financial position become more distressed than usual when they observe the abundance that others enjoy. This is the time to feed the spirit as well as the body and we aim to help make spirits bright.

This is also the time of year that we see how generous the people of our community can really be. It's always so touching when people make really special donations, such as a number of turkeys or hams, or conduct food drives in their businesses and organizations. When you have enough yourself it's easy to forget about those who are in need. But here in our community there are numerous people who have not taken the easy road...they have not shut their eyes and their hearts to those who are less fortunate. We are truly blessed to live in a place where neighbor looks out for neighbor and, hopefully, no one goes hungry!

Sincerely,

Batesville Area Ministerial Association Food Pantry