

Blanket Sunday

Brrr! When the weather outside is cold and deep with snow, we burrow under warm blankets every night to stay warm as we fall fast asleep. Now imagine a man on a cold bench or a family standing outside of their home, looking at the devastation caused by a natural disaster... How will they find warmth? For many, a simple blanket given when they most need it is a loving way to offer warmth, to offer hope. Many people without homes have a daily challenge of fighting the bitter cold. Around the world, disasters force people from their homes, sending them to shelters and refugee camps where a blanket can make a big difference.

For declining neighborhoods outside of major cities in the U.S., families struggle to make ends meet. For example, in Detroit, the Brightmoor neighborhood has seen decline in the last years. When 80 CWS blankets were delivered to a local shelter, it boosted the morale of the community - a small gesture, to show that they mattered and others were thinking of them.

The CWS Blanket program provides warmth, hope, and care during cold and trying times. A gift of just \$10 provides a sturdy, comforting blanket to children, men and women who are struggling against the cold.

This Valentine's Day is a perfect time to give thanks for the warmth in our homes, our churches and our hearts by providing CWS Blankets to those in need. Your generosity has not only the ability to help but to change lives and communities. Let's blanket the world with love this Valentine's Day!

For more resources to use with your congregation, please visit: cwsblankets.org

