

## **PEGASUS Project “Adopt-a-Family”**

Sunday's (December 18, 2005) visit with our adopted family was wonderful and very rewarding. Everyone in this family is so nice, just good people in a bad situation. The father left the family long ago and has recently been diagnosed with colon cancer. The mother and two boys have moved in with her parents (who are both retired) in a very old, small, rundown two bedroom, single wide trailer. The family's house burned down last year, and they lost everything they owned. The mother is not working and has no car.

When I approached the mother to discuss the project with her, she stated that she had just told her sons that she would not be able to get them anything for Christmas this year. She was very upset about this and was praying that her circumstances would change soon. Upon seeing what we had brought them, the mom cried, then hugged and thanked us. Both she and her youngest son told us that this would be the best Christmas they ever had.

Here is the breakdown of what we were able to do for them for Christmas this year:

### **Family Gifts**

DVD Player  
“Mr Deeds” DVD  
“Dodge ball” DVD

### **Kaleb (Oldest Boy)**

Personal CD player  
CD-“System of Down”  
Sweater (donated by Dillard's)

### **Zach (Youngest Boy)**

Portable Radio/CD Player  
“Tech Deck” Skater Play Set  
Sweater (donated by Dillard's)

### **Basket of Goodies**

Portrait Package- @ Family Photo  
5 Long- sleeved t-shirts w/ Rudy's Logo  
& a big jar of Rudy's BBQ Sauce  
CiCi's Pizza- Kids Eat Free Coupons  
Starbucks coffee beans- 1 pound

### **Christmas Meal**

Honey Baked Ham  
Tamales  
Rice  
Pinto Beans  
Potatoes/Gravy  
Corn  
Green Bean Casserole  
Rolls  
Pecan Pie/Cool Whip  
Christmas Cookies  
Sparkling Apple Cider  
Cokes

Rockfish- 2 free appetizer coupons  
United- \$10 gift card  
Academy- \$20 gift card  
Fancy Nails- free manicure

We did not take pictures as I was unsure whether this would make the family uncomfortable. This was a very worthwhile project for a very deserving family!!!

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