



COMFORT DOG MINISTRY

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2021

December is here, and we look forward to celebrating the birth of our Savior and the hope of the coming new year! We also glance back and thank the Lord for His presence and strength in our lives through His Holy Spirit as we faced continued virus related issues, freezing weather and power outages, and other adversities. But there were blessings too because in the last 6 months of this year, the Comfort Dog ministry has increased our visits and are almost back to where we were in 2019. Grateful, humbled, and hopeful are we! May this holiday season bring the joy and peace that is rooted in the knowledge that the gift of salvation is truly the only "present" that not only lasts for eternity, but it's **FREE** and isn't sitting on a Container ship!



LAMBS FALL FESTIVAL-

Our Messiah Lambs school children enjoy dressing up and getting treats and having fun for their Fall festival held on the Thursday and Friday before Halloween. Triton stopped by with smiles and "free pets and hugs!"



TRUNK OR TREAT-It wasn't enough to pay a visit to the Lambs school to join in the costume fun, Triton and handlers set up a special decorated trunk with the theme of "Gold at the end of the Rainbow." So many children, so many treats, and so many smiles!



HOPE CENTER-Triton made a visit to our friends next door at The Hope Center! There was a lot of excitement as future visits and events were discussed.



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LIFECARE HOSPITAL-Triton and handlers made a visit to the LifeCare hospital of Plano. This is the first time in a very long while that we have been able to return there to offer comfort and encouragement. Immediately following the visit, a gentleman named Patrick phoned the church office and enthusiastically praised the team for their willingness to come and bring Triton for a visit. This particular man has many health challenges that prevent him from caring for a dog of his own, so this was a treat to get to pet and just be around such a special animal. He said, "It made his day!" May we never take for granted the difference we can make by just showing up and offering those who are struggling in life a few moments of sunshine and joy!



GRIEF SHARING-Each year the Care Ministry hosts a seminar that offers comfort for those who have lost someone to death in the past year. It was cancelled last year, so this year we were happy to return to this event that provides suggestions for handling the holidays without their loved one. There is also small discussion groups that give the attendees a place to share their emotions and feelings with others who are in a similar situation. Triton is of course extremely useful to those who are hurting and need a hug!



Wishing you a Christmas that is calm with God's peace and bright with His love!
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