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For Release Saturday, April 7th

Rescue Mission hosts Easter picnic for the area's most needy children

Holding to its Christian faith base, the Panama City Rescue Mission will offer an Easter picnic for the area's most needy children.

“These families often face holidays such as Easter without any surplus funds to celebrate special days. So, having a free event to share with friends and family means so much to them,” said Rev. Billy Fox, Panama City Rescue Mission's Executive Director

Making use of a newly constructed park area at the Mission's recovery home for women and children, volunteers will hide thousands of eggs and prepare lunch for families that have been previously registered for the free event.

“Not only will these children experience a fun-filled event, but they'll also learn of Jesus' love for them as we share the true meaning of Easter — the awesome story of the resurrection of Christ,” said Fox.

The Mission's sponsors have provided much-needed gift certificates for the parents and Easter baskets filled with candy and toiletries for the kids. Several winners will take home bicycles and other prizes.

“There will even be a fire truck and demonstrations on fire safety,” added Fox. “Our goal is to reach out in love to needy families and help them celebrate one of the most important Christian holidays.”

The Panama City Rescue Mission is a Christian non-profit organization. The Easter event is the first of several outreaches planned for this population now through the summer. It continues in June with a Family Food Giveaway, in July with a Summer Day Camp, and wraps up the summer with Klothes for Kids preparing these families for back-to-school. For more information on the Mission's family outreach programs, please visit the Web site at www.pcrmission.org or call 769-0783.

What: Easter Picnic for Needy Families

When: Saturday April 7th 10 am to Noon

Where: 2533 Transmitter Rd—at the Rescue Mission's Bethel Village campus

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