

Matthew 25

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I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,
I was a stranger and you invited me in,
I needed clothes and you clothed me,
I was sick and you looked after me,
I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

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Primarily, we are involved with helping the needy in Ethiopia, Tucson, Marana and Mexico.

We also have a prison ministry.

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