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WINTER 2018

A Message From Karen Pearl



With the holidays behind us, I want to share my heartfelt gratitude for all we have accomplished together at God's Love this past year.

Last October, we delivered our 20 millionth meal. This is an outstanding accomplishment made possible by you and so many others throughout our organization's history. Having started with our founder, Ganga Stone, bringing a meal to a man living with AIDS, we now deliver more than 1.7 million meals annually to people living with more than 200 life-altering illnesses including HIV, cancer, chronic kidney disease, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, and others. With your help, our most vulnerable neighbors know they are never forgotten.

In November, we cooked and home delivered more than 5,500 Thanksgiving meals to our clients, and their children and caregivers, and added an extra meal so that clients could invite a guest to join their holiday dinner. In December, we brought cheer to all of our clients and their families with holiday meals, and gifts for clients and their children. To do

this, we relied on thousands of volunteers who brought smiles and hope to every client's door.

Our accomplishments in 2017 also included adding 30 new items to our menu, increasing outreach to those who served in our military, and making great progress on integrating food and nutrition into healthcare reform.

The feedback from our clients has been heartwarming. Whether you are a volunteer, a donor, a God's Love staff member, or a friend in our community, please know that our clients share their gratitude with you for all your love and support. I especially want to thank the 10,000 people who volunteered with us last year. Whether you worked in the kitchen or meal packaging, delivered meals or helped in our offices, we are grateful for your gifts of time and compassion.

Last year was an outstanding year for signature events. We closed out 2017 with the Golden Heart Awards dinner in October and the Race to Deliver in November. At the dinner, we raised more than \$2.3 million with

the support of many, especially our friends at Michael Kors. We were also thrilled to announce an extraordinary \$1 million gift from our long-time and dear friend Calvin Klein, who is also donating the proceeds from his new book to God's Love.

Every gift matters to our clients, and our community's spirit of generosity comes in many forms. Maybe you volunteered once through your company's day of service, or you maintained a weekly volunteer shift. Perhaps you joined us at year's end with a gift of a holiday meal for a client during our "Celebrate with a Plate" campaign. Or, you might be one of many friends who signed up for our monthly giving program. Through expressions of generosity and kindness, large and small, you made a difference in the lives of thousands of people too sick to shop or cook for themselves. Thank you.

A new year is upon us, and there is much to do. I look forward to working with you in 2018.

Karen

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CLIENT PROFILE:

Delivering Love to Craig

Our client Craig is 78 years old and lives with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Although he grew up in Minnesota, Craig has lived in the same apartment on the Upper West Side of Manhattan for the past 55 years. Before he got sick he was a passionate singer and cabaret performer who traveled all over the world with his partner of 23 years.

During his time in show business, Craig performed in New York City, Chicago and London, and was on the Board of the Spectrum Theatre. He knew everyone from Julie Andrews to Lauren Bacall to Judy Garland. It was an exciting time, and Craig lived an exciting life.

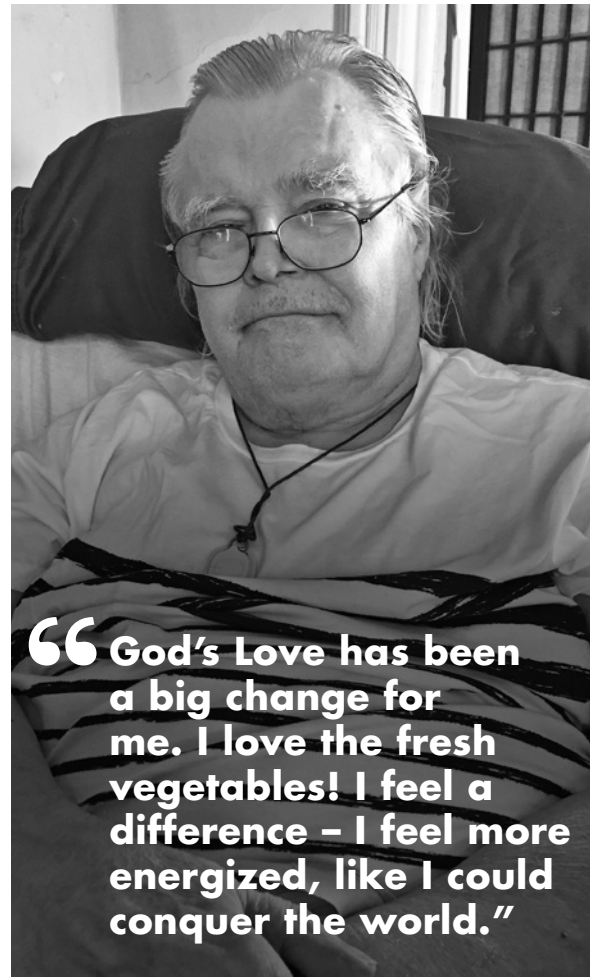
Today, Craig uses a wheelchair and is alone. He takes 32 pills every day to just stay alive. It has been three years since he has been able to leave his apartment, and Craig suspects

he might not even recognize his own neighborhood now.

Before God's Love, Craig was extremely worried about how he would survive on his own. Working in the theater for so long, Craig knew many influential people, but getting sick changed everything. He had never had to ask for help before. Luckily, he had a friend in Joan Rivers who referred him to our program. Craig reached out to God's Love and immediately began receiving nutritious, home-delivered meals tailored specifically for him and his diagnosis.

"God's Love has been a big change for me. I love the fresh vegetables! I feel a difference – I feel more energized, like I could conquer the world," Craig says. He also loves the relationship he has developed with God's Love delivery driver Jason. Craig does not get many visitors, so seeing Jason twice a week makes a difference.

Craig expressed his gratitude to God's Love for providing comfort, love, and nutritious meals, and for making his life a little easier: "Please keep going. You help so much."



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ORLANDO RODRIGUEZ & HIS DAUGHTER



KAREN PEARL & CONGRESSMAN NADLER



SEAN COUGHLIN & STEPHANIE JONES



DAWN BILLINGS

ADVOCACY UPDATE:

Public Officials Lend a Helping Hand on Thanksgiving

This year we were thrilled to be joined by many public officials and their staff, who pitched in to make Thanksgiving memorable for our clients. They helped prepare meals in the kitchen and packed them out into festively decorated bags. We needed all the help we could get as this was our biggest Thanksgiving ever!

We were joined by Congressman Jerrold Nadler and his staff, as well as representatives from Borough President Gale Brewer's office and City Council Member Corey Johnson's office. Theirs was a true gift of public service as they took time away from their own Thanksgiving celebrations to provide a festive experience for their constituents.

Thanks to our public officials for making this Thanksgiving special for our clients at God's Love. We were so pleased that we had the chance to share our urgent mission in action with our representatives, and that they saw firsthand the impact of our work on the lives of so many.

NEWS:

Stepping Up to the Plate this Thanksgiving

The holiday season can be a difficult time for so many New Yorkers and their families affected by severe illness. That's why, each Thanksgiving, the God's Love community comes together to cook and deliver a special holiday meal for our clients and their children and senior caregivers. We also offer an extra meal to every client for a guest because we believe that no one should have to spend the holiday alone.

Every year, the demand for our services grows. This Thanksgiving was no exception. The Kitchen team cooked a record 5,500 special Thanksgiving meals, which included delicious homemade roast turkey with cornbread stuffing and mushroom gravy, pumpkin bisque, sweet potato mash, parsnips, Brussels sprouts, carrots, pearl onions, cranberry sauce, and apple crisp. God's Love was proud to again offer a vegetarian option, and minced or pureed options for clients who have trouble chewing or swallowing. The day before the holiday, our good friends Neil Patrick Harris, David Burtka, Jordan Roth, Andrew Rannells, Celia Keenan-Bolger, Chef Amanda Freitag, Blaine Trump and Gabriel Stulman joined in the kitchen to pack out thousands of our Thanksgiving meals. We also welcomed more than 1,000 volunteers on Thanksgiving morning to help deliver this tasty and nutritious meal.

Our Thanksgiving meals are delivered in beautiful bags decorated by local students as part of our Holiday Bag Decorating Program. In addition, the weekend before Thanksgiving, more than 70 dedicated volunteers helped assemble special gift baskets filled with holiday treats like cheese and crackers, tea, and hot



GOD'S LOVE STAFF & VOLUNTEERS



STEVE SIMON, LISA BURGETT, BLAINE TRUMP, DAVID LUDWIGSON & CHRISTOPHER TRUMP



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AMANDA FREITAG, ANDREW RANNELLS & CELIA KEENAN-BOLGER

chocolate for our clients. These holiday baskets were graciously donated by The Krumholz Foundation, Carol Alexander, and the Binn Family Foundation in loving memory of Penny Binn Binstock.

Thank you to every volunteer, staff member and God's Love supporter who gave their time this Thanksgiving. With the help of many, we were able to cook and deliver meals and holiday cheer to clients, without charge, without fail, and most importantly, with love.

NEWS:

Partnerships in Action: God's Love Hosts Inaugural Community Partners Expo

Many of our partners in the community refer their clients to God's Love without ever having visited our SoHo headquarters. We are working hard to change that. On Tuesday, September 26, more than 45 Managed Long Term Care (MLTC) partners of God's Love We Deliver convened at our SoHo facility as we hosted our first Community Partners Expo with the theme "Food is Medicine."

The Expo was hosted by our Community Partners team along with Director of Nutrition Services Lisa Zullig and Senior Director of External Programs Dorella Walters. Events like these help to reinforce and strengthen the community relationships that have been the hallmark of our operations since our founding 32 years ago. Elaine Kiang, Manager of Strategic Partnerships, said of the event, "I am impressed by all the moving parts that came together in making the Expo a success. The Kitchen, Nutrition, Facilities, Volunteer, Special Events, and Client Services departments worked together to support our Community Partners. We are very pleased with results."

Elaine and Ralph Wilson, Program Outreach Coordinator, conceived the idea for an Expo last spring. Producing an "open house" required help from every department. "It was an exciting experience, from start to finish," Ralph

said. "Creating an event that had no template, along with helping to get the word out to multitudes who had never utilized the services of God's Love before, was immensely satisfying."

With our Community Partners Program, God's Love receives reimbursement through contracts with MLTC plans, helping to create long-term sustainability for our clients. This also helps position God's Love as a nutrition leader providing health services to long-term care populations.

Of course, food is more than just medicine. Food is love. A highlight of the Expo came when our Director of Culinary Services, Daniel Metzger, shared samples of our meals with staff from agencies that refer their clients to us. It warms our hearts when healthcare providers are able to see—and taste—the love that goes into every meal at God's Love. Thank you to everyone who attended. We truly appreciate working together to help bring good nutrition (and delicious meals) to everyone who needs them.



ALEX ROEM, OSCAR LOPEZ, LOURDES PADILLA, RONNIE FORTUNATO, LISA ZULLIG, ELAINE KIANG, OMAR GIL, & RALPH WILSON

Power in Partnerships for Breast Cancer

Partnerships make our Breast Cancer Program possible. In October we joined many wonderful friends in recognition of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Partners at God's Love include the Avon Breast Cancer Crusade, Komen Greater NYC, the New York Community Trust, the Ann Levy Fund of the Dallas Foundation, and many other supporters who care deeply about their neighbors living with a breast cancer diagnosis.

For Avon 39 The Walk to End Breast Cancer, held October 14-15, God's Love provided support at cheering stations along with lunch for thousands of walkers and crew during the weekend. At the closing ceremony, God's Love was one of many organizations honored with grants in support of Breast Cancer programs throughout New York City. Dorella Walters, Senior Director of External Program Services at God's Love, joined Avon representatives and leaders from other programs to receive a check onstage.

In advance of October's Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Komen Greater NYC held their annual Race for the Cure in Central Park on September 10. This year, we continued our annual participation at

the Race's Education Expo. Our Registered Dietitian Nutritionists and Client Services staff shared information on nutrition's role in treatment with Race participants.

Partners like these foundations know just how important our program is for individuals and families affected by breast cancer. People living with breast cancer are often too weak to shop or cook for themselves or their families due to the side effects of treatment. God's Love delivers meals that are individually tailored to meet the nutrition needs of patients undergoing treatment for breast cancer, helping them to regain their strength and independence. And for parents who are too sick to shop or cook for their families, we provide child-friendly dinners, breakfast kits, and after-school snacks to help kids eat right and stay healthy. We also provide meals for senior caregivers who often struggle to meet their own needs while caring for a sick loved one with breast cancer.

To learn more about nutrition's role in breast cancer treatment and prevention, you can find resources on our website at glwd.org and on our Facebook page. If you would like to get involved, you can contact our volunteer department through our website, or make a donation in support of our breast cancer program.

A heartfelt thank you to our many partners for your courage and support helping to end breast cancer.



DORELLA WALTERS, SR. DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL PROGRAM AFFAIRS, & CAROLYN RICCI, PROGRAM DIRECTOR AT AVON BREAST CANCER CRUSADE



WE REMEMBER:

World AIDS Day

On December 1, God's Love observed World AIDS Day to show support and solidarity for all those affected by HIV/AIDS around the world, including so many of our clients. God's Love was founded in 1985 as a response to the HIV/AIDS crisis. Even today, people living with the disease continue to represent one of our largest client groups, comprising 17% of our total client population. M-A-C AIDS Fund once again joined us to honor World AIDS Day by volunteering in our kitchen for the first two weeks of December. M-A-C AIDS Fund has been a supporter of God's Love since 1993, and helps provide more than 325,000 meals for more than 1,300 clients living with HIV/AIDS annually.

In addition, support from the M-A-C AIDS Fund has helped us lead advocacy capacity building efforts for nutrition programs serving people living with HIV/AIDS nationwide. We are honored to partner with M-A-C AIDS Fund on World AIDS Day, and every day, to provide life-sustaining meals to individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS.

On World AIDS Day, we were also joined by Ted Kerr and his students in the Gural Scholars Program of The New School. The students have been focusing on justice through the lens of food this past semester. Ted's presentation focused on how God's Love is a "recipe for responding" to the pandemic.



@BoLauder

The tradition continues @ FriendsSeminary @godslovenyc bags made by community members are now hanging in the Meetinghouse! Breathtaking...



@GSNC

Recently, Troop 1202 spent an afternoon decorating holiday bags for @godslovenyc to be used to deliver nutritious meals to those in need.



NEWS:

God's Love Delivers 20 Millionth Meal

On September 28, God's Love marked an historic achievement as we cooked, packed and delivered our 20 millionth meal. A lot has changed since that day, 32 years ago, when our founder, Ganga Stone, got on her bicycle and delivered one meal to a man dying of AIDS. Today, our expanded SoHo headquarters allows us to cook and deliver more than 1.7 million meals annually to thousands of clients. We have broadened our mission to serve those living with more than 200 unique diagnoses. And we now welcome more than 10,000 volunteers annually who pour their hearts and their love into every meal that we cook and deliver.

God's Love has come so far, but one thing has remained constant – our commitment to providing individually tailored, nutritious meals to the most vulnerable among us, free of charge, without a waiting list, and most importantly, with love. Because we believe that food is love and food is medicine.

To celebrate this remarkable milestone, staff, volunteers, and friends gathered in the kitchen for remarks by our President & CEO, Karen Pearl, and our Chairman of the Board of Directors, Scott Bruckner. They were joined by Blaine Trump, Vice Chair of the Board, and other members of our leadership teams including Jon Gilman, Jeff Pfeifle, Joe

Dolce, David Stark, Jens Audenaert, Greg and Katy Williamson, and Bill Ribbecke. We also hosted Miss Universe Iris Mittenaere and Julie Klausner, creator and star of Hulu's *Difficult People*, to help pack out the 20 millionth meal.

We could not do what we do without the help of every single volunteer and supporter. On behalf of our staff, volunteers, and especially our clients, thank you to everyone who has supported God's Love over the past 32 years. Because of you, we have been able to deliver 20 million nutritious, life-saving meals to thousands of our neighbors living with severe illness.



KAREN PEARL, JON GILMAN, BLAINE TRUMP, SCOTT BRUCKNER, JEFF PFEIFLE, DAVID STARK, MISS UNIVERSE IRIS MITTENAERE, GREG & KATY WILLIAMSON, TRICIA RUMOLO, JOE DOLCE, BILL RIBBECKE & JENS AUDENAERT



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20 MILLIONTH MEAL



@godslovekaren
#HappyThanksgiving from our kitchen to yours! I'm grateful for our staff, volunteers & friends who are getting 5500 meals to our clients ♥



@KinkyBootsBway
#FlashbackFriday to cast members volunteering at @GodsLoveNYC earlier this month! 🐾 #RaceToDeliver with us on 11/19: <https://www.crowdrise.com/racetodeliver>



Golden Heart Awards

God's Love was honored to welcome more than 700 guests to the 11th Annual Golden Heart Awards on October 16 at Spring Studios in Manhattan. The Golden Heart Awards are presented annually by God's Love to honor the important contributions of individuals, corporations and foundations to the organization's cause. Funds raised at the event help ensure that no person in the metropolitan area suffers the dual crises of hunger and life-altering illness.

This year, the evening raised more than \$2.3 million in support of our urgent mission of providing life-sustaining meals and nutrition counseling for people living with severe illness. Additionally, at the dinner God's Love was thrilled to announce an extraordinary gift of \$1 million from our longtime supporter Calvin Klein in honor of the publication of his new book *Calvin Klein*.

The sold-out gala began with a cocktail reception featuring hors d'oeuvres by celebrity chefs Mike Anthony, David Burtka, Sandra Lee, Seamus Mullen, April Bloomfield and Amanda Freitag. Drinks were followed by dinner, an awards presentation, and for the first time, an after party.

Playwright, actor and poet Sarah Jones started off the night with a hilarious and insightful four-character act, welcoming guests to the Golden Heart Awards. At this year's dinner, we celebrated the remarkable contributions of three wonderful people: Jordan Roth, President of Jujamcyn Theaters; Jon Gilman, long-time Board Member and God's Love cookbook co-creator; and actor, entrepreneur and philanthropist Gwyneth Paltrow.

Actor Andrew Rannells presented Mr. Roth, one of the most influential people in theater today, with the Golden Heart Award for Lifetime Achievement. Mr. Gilman then received the Golden Heart Award for Outstanding Volunteerism from President & CEO Karen Pearl. Following Mr. Gilman's inspiring words about his long history with God's Love, Jamie Niven led a rousing live auction. After dinner, Michael Kors took to the stage to present Ms. Paltrow with the Michael Kors Award for Outstanding Community Service.

Thank you to our Honorary Chairwoman, Anna Wintour, and Co-Chairs Sarah Arison, Nell Diamond, Kate Hudson, John Idol, Michael Kors, Sandra Lee and Blaine Trump for making the evening a great success. We are grateful to all who attended the gala – for their support and their generous, golden hearts!



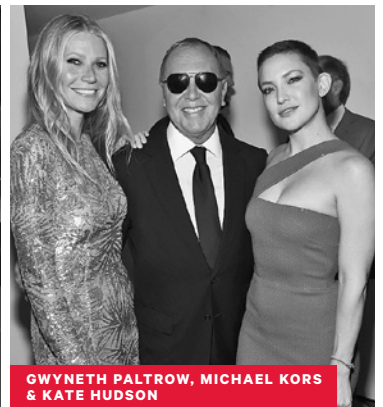
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KAREN PEARL & CRAIG NEWMARK



SARAH JONES



ANNA WINTOUR & MICHAEL KORS



PAUL BEIRNE & KAREN PEARL



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MIKE MORAN, MARK GABY & GABY LEHRER



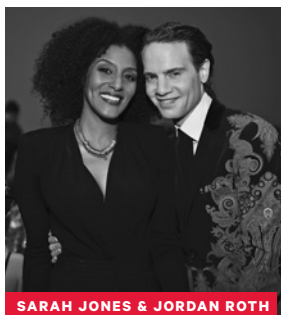
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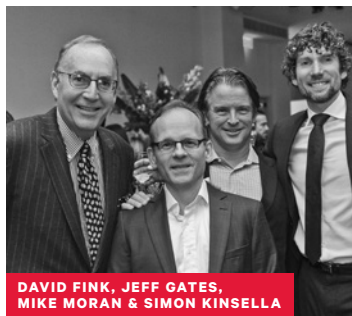
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CHEF APRIL BLOOMFIELD



CHEF SEAMUS MULLEN & CHEF AMANDA FREITAG



CHEF MIKE ANTHONY



CHEF DAVID BURTKA

Breast Cancer Program Update

by Lisa Zullig, MS, RDN, CSG, CDN

Our ties to the breast cancer community are long and deep. In fact, our expansion to serve other illnesses beyond HIV/AIDS began with a pilot to serve people with breast cancer in 2001. Since then, the program has provided over 1.5 million nutritious meals to clients and their families affected by breast cancer. Today, our clients with breast cancer receive between 10-21 meals per week, depending on their situation and needs, and medical nutrition therapy from our team of Registered Dietitian Nutritionists (RDN).

In addition to their work with individuals and families, our RDNs promote community nutritional health via written educational materials, workshops, teleconferences and webinars. The team has written two nutrition publications in English and Spanish for breast cancer patients and survivors.

Last year we distributed over 2,000 of these popular resources to individuals and agencies throughout the U.S. and they are also available to download on our website at glwd.org/nutrition/publications.

Our community cooking demos, workshops, webinars and teleconferences are given in English, Spanish and Chinese, and are often collaborations with other organizations in order to increase our reach into the breast cancer community. For several years, we have worked with SHARE Cancer Support, an organization that provides support to women facing breast and ovarian cancers, to provide nutrition education classes for their support groups throughout NYC. This past fall, we expanded our partnership with SHARE Cancer Support to create a series of videos and a webinar for people affected by breast cancer.

Three videos, "Bone Health," "Healthy Fats" and "Superfoods," based upon our publication *Every Bite Counts! Nutrition Tips for Breast Cancer Survivors*, were produced and can be viewed on our YouTube page at youtube.com/godslovedeliver. Our webinar, Nutrition Tips for Breast and Ovarian Cancer, was presented in October during Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The well-received webinar was attended by clients from both our organizations and was also open to the public. Our bilingual RDNs will be presenting the webinar in Spanish, ¡Cada Bocado Cuenta! Consejos Nutricionales Para Cancer de Seno y Ovario, in March 2018. If you would like more information, or to attend our programs, please contact the Nutrition Services Department at nutrition@glwd.org.



from the God's Love kitchen

FEATURED RECIPE:

Ginger Glazed Salmon with Asian Slaw (Serves 4)

- 4 (6 ounce) Salmon Filets, skin on
- 1 Nub Ginger, grated
- 1 Clove Garlic, grated
- ¼ Cup Honey
- ¼ Cup Orange Juice
- ¼ Cup Low Sodium Soy Sauce
- 2 Tbsp. Olive Oil
- Salt & Pepper

Asian Slaw with Miso Vinaigrette

- 4oz (1/4 of a whole) Red Cabbage, shredded
- 4oz (1/4 of a whole) Green Cabbage, shredded
- 4oz (1 large) Carrot, shredded
- 1 Bunch (6 large) Scallion, sliced
- 1 Tsp. Miso Paste
- 1 Tbsp. Rice Wine Vinegar
- 1 Tbsp. Lime Juice
- 1 Tbsp. Sesame Oil
- ¼ Cup Olive Oil
- Sesame Seeds (optional)

1. Heat oven to 400 degrees.
2. Prep and measure all ingredients before cooking. Set aside.
3. In a blender add miso, rice wine vinegar, lime juice, pinch salt and pepper.
4. Blend on medium speed and begin adding sesame oil followed by olive oil. Taste and adjust seasoning.
5. In a bowl, mix together red cabbage, green cabbage, carrot, and vinaigrette. Refrigerate.
6. In a saucepan, add ginger, garlic, honey, orange juice, and soy sauce. Cook on medium heat until it reaches the consistency of syrup, set aside.
7. Place a pan over medium heat. Pat salmon filets dry and season with a little salt and pepper (please note that the glaze has soy sauce, which has sodium, in it).
8. Add olive oil immediately followed by salmon – skin side down.
9. Cook salmon skin side down until skin is crispy, 3–5 minutes. Flip salmon and place in oven to finish. Depending on your desired doneness, it can take anywhere from 3-7 minutes.
10. Plate salmon, brush glaze liberally on salmon, top with Asian slaw and sesame seeds.



@Roccu_Wu

#Another great experience packing food for the hungry last weekend for @godslovenyc with @bwayserves and old friends. #broadway #broadwayserves #godlovesnyc



@jordan_roth

Last night, my dearest @andrewrannells presented me with @godslovenyc's Golden Heart Award. His is a golden heart for sure. ❤️❤️❤️

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Sightings of great work for God's Love around town...



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE WITH GENLOVE

On November 2, more than 350 people attended HARVEST, our annual fall cocktail party sponsored by our young professionals group, generationLOVE (genLOVE). At the event, supporters were encouraged to participate in our #GiveUpGiveBack initiative by joining our monthly giving program and finding something they can "give up to give back" to support our mission.



MILES FOR MEALS

Congrats and thank you to all of our amazing TCS New York City Marathon teammates who conquered 26.2 rainy miles on November 5 in support of our clients and mission! Please join us in sending congratulations, love, and great thanks to all of our teammates: Leadership Council Co-Chair Dan Wright, Leadership Council members Shane Hogan and Nick Pramik, Gramercy Tavern's Christian Jover, Teddy Sublett, Everett Taylor, and Kerri Fuller!



YOUNG HEARTS, GIVING SPIRITS

Age doesn't stop young folks from giving back to God's Love! In December, students from Friends Seminary and friends joined us to decorate cookies for our clients' children and holiday cards for our clients with Chuck the Baker and Chef Amanda Freitag. Thanks to all of our #GodsLoveYoungHearts for their wonderful work and generosity!



CELEBRATING 200 YEARS WITH THE EAR INN



On November 11, the Ear Inn celebrated its 200th Anniversary by hosting a block party for the community. God's Love was thrilled to partner with NYC's oldest bar to celebrate this historic moment, and the Ear hopes to raise \$350,000 to feed our downtown clients, totaling 35,000 meals for the year.



MASSIMO BOTTURA DINNER

On December 2, international celebrity chef Massimo Bottura and legendary actor, screenwriter, and Bronx native Chazz Palminteri joined forces for the culinary event of the year, benefiting God's Love! Hosted by Mr. Palminteri on Ellis Island, Chef Bottura personally prepared a multi-course gastronomic dinner for the evening's guests, incorporating his signature dishes that won him the top spot on "World's 50 Best Restaurants." The event was organized by GR8 and our special thanks to The Promotion Factory.



ART DELIVERS LOVE

Our very own longtime supporter and Thursday baking volunteer, Stephanie Suskin, worked with eight artists of Next Act Art to donate 90 of their works for our inaugural "Art Delivers Love" installation, with all proceeds going directly to God's Love.

EVENT RECAP:

Ride to REiNVENT

On October 21, Team Elliman from Douglas Elliman once again completed their annual cycling fundraiser, the Ride to REiNVENT, in support of God's Love We Deliver. Ride to REiNVENT is the brainchild of Max Dobens, Douglas Elliman Senior Regional Executive Manager of Sales, Brooklyn. Two groups of riders participated in either a 35-mile "Sprint" ride or a 100-mile "Century" ride to Douglas Elliman's annual sales meeting held this year at Mohegan Sun in Connecticut. Since its inception, the Ride to REiNVENT has raised over \$600,000 to fund over 60,000 meals for our clients! We are extremely grateful

to all those that donated or participated. Thank you for going the distance in service of our clients and mission. Next year, for the first time, the Ride to REiNVENT will be open to the public. Please contact Stephen Covello at 212.294.8144 or scovello@glwd.org for more information.

TEAM DOUGLAS ELLIMAN AT THE 2017 RIDE TO REiNVENT



STARTING LINE



TEAM GRAMERCY TAVERN



TEAM CAPITAL ONE



TEAM ADP



KINKY BOOTS' J. HARRISON GHEE WITH RUNNERS IN SPECIAL KINKY BOOTS SOCKS



LOVE TEAM

EVENT RECAP:



GOD'S LOVE WE DELIVER Race to Deliver

On Sunday, November 19, God's Love held its 24th Annual Race to Deliver in Central Park. The Park was filled with more than 6,000 enthusiastic runners. The Race to Deliver, a four-mile run/walk, is one of the largest annual fundraisers for God's Love We Deliver. The Race is a symbol of our daily race to ensure that no person ever has to face the unthinkable combination of illness and hunger.

Many wonderful individuals and organizations supported this year's Race. We would like to thank all who joined us, especially Macquarie Group, M-A-C AIDS Fund, The Love Team, Gramercy Tavern, Capital One, Global Brands Group, and Friends Seminary.

ON THE CALENDAR

SAVE THE DATE:



GOD'S LOVE WE DELIVER Love Rocks NYC

MARCH 15, 2018

BEACON THEATRE, NYC
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Please join us on March 15 at the historic Beacon Theatre for the second annual Love Rocks NYC! concert benefiting God's Love. Celebrating songs of peace, love and hope, the concert, presented by Greg Williamson and John Varvatos, features an incredible roster of Grammy Award-winning artists. Tickets are now available for purchase on Ticketmaster. For more information, please visit loverocksnyc.com



SAVE THE DATE:



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The 15th Annual Authors in Kind will be held on April 25. Authors in Kind features a book signing reception with noted writers, followed by a fun and informative luncheon during which the authors speak about their recent work. This year, we are delighted to welcome author, God's Love Board member and event emcee Linda Fairstein; Pulitzer-prize winner Jennifer Egan and her new book *Manhattan Beach*; Jeffrey Banks and his new book about the fashion designer Norman Norell entitled *Norell: Master of American Fashion*; and Alex Guarnaschelli and her latest cookbook *The Home Cook: Recipes to Know by Heart*. For more information on purchasing tickets or tables, please call 212.294.8162 or visit glwd.org/authorsinkind.



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caregivers served



10,000

volunteers
welcomed



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meals cooked and
home-delivered



120,000

total volunteer hours

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