



Mardi Gras Outreach NOLA

- Why?** Fulfill the Great Commission, Jesus concern for the multitudes, children's need for Christ
- When?** Tuesday, Mardi Gras Day, 6:00 a.m. (we arrive at 5:30 a.m.) – noon (depending on the crowds, weather, and parades we leave between noon and 1 p.m.)
- Where?** At St. Charles and General Pershing Street (one block east of Napoleon and St. Charles).
- What?** Outreach station is set up on neutral ground. We will provide a Christian presence to this area of the parade route, sharing with individuals as God opens opportunities. We will walk along the parade route with partners (before & between parades) distributing evangelistic packets for the children and briefly sharing with the children & parents the "Story of the Beads."
- Who?** Christian Adults, teens, and families with a burden to share Christ with families in a non-threatening and fun way.

Additional Information:

- Location:** The ministry has set up in this location since 2007. God has divinely saved this spot in the parade route for the ministry. The location is very family oriented. Clean Port-O-Potties are available at the Catholic Church for \$1.00 (one time use) or \$5.00 all day pass. The church also sells a variety of food items.
- Parade:** Volunteers are welcome to enjoy the parade – ministry takes place before and in between parades. We need volunteers to stay with the team or a partner.
- Items provided:** The ministry will provide the tent, tarp, a few chairs, Gospel Packets, continental breakfast, coffee, tea, water (Donations appreciated.)
- Items needed:** Dress according to weather. You are welcome to bring a bag for Mardi Gras catches. We will have name tags for volunteers. (Dress bright and festive if possible.)
- Set-up:** We need help setting up the food tables, chairs, and canopy at the site.
- Why so early?** Due to high traffic congestion, it's important to arrive early to beat the crowds and find parking. First parades actually start as early as 8 a.m. Ministry begins before the first parade!
- Parking:** We recommend parking on streets north of St Charles on Carondelet or Baronne near General Pershing, these are One Way Streets, park in the direction of the flow of traffic. Due to road construction, we recommend going down Louisiana toward St Charles.
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