



## **Information on Pumpkin Patch**

The 33<sup>rd</sup> year of our Pumpkin Patch Ministry is on the way soon. The first load of Pumpkins from the Navajo Indian Reservation in New Mexico is scheduled to arrive on Sunday, 9/28/25, at 12:30 p.m. The second delivery is scheduled to arrive on Sunday, 10/12/25, also at 12:30 p.m. On both days we have plenty of opportunities to help with this Pumpkin Ministry. We unload the bins and boxes from the truck by a forklift. Then the bulk pumpkins are unloaded by hand, passing them from person to person and then placed in the field. We have the boxes and bins of small pumpkins and gourds that can be unloaded by kids and those who cannot handle the bigger pumpkins. We also need volunteers to pour cups of water and Gatorade for the workers. We can use smiling faces to welcome workers and visitors alike to the patch and help with any sales that may take place during the unloading. And of course, we appreciate prayers for a safe unloading and a successful season.

These pumpkins come straight from the fields and can be dirty, so please wear work clothes. Closed toed shoes are recommended rather than sandals as they offer more protection from pumpkins and stickers in the field. Some people like to use gloves, and hats and sunscreen are also a plus.

In the next edition of the Pumpkin Patch Ministry Story, I'll discuss how you can help throughout the event.