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Thanksgiving dinner at soup kitchen turns into photo shoot

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"Freedom Breaks the Internet" group takes free Thanksgiving portraits at the Soup Kitchen of Spartanburg

SPARTANBURG, SC (WSPA) – Family pictures and Thanksgiving dinner go hand in hand. But Thanksgiving dinner at a soup kitchen isn't something people are used to.

"Most people at this time of year, coming to a place like this, they're not feeling at their best. They're a little down, depressed, wishing things could be better," says Ivana Velez, a volunteer with the soup kitchen.

Jeremiah Drummond wanted to give people eating at the Soup Kitchen in Spartanburg a Thanksgiving they would remember.

He started the group "Freedom Breaks the Internet" when he was in high school. The goal, is to spread love in the Upstate. Part of the group's outreach program is the "Picturing A Family Together" project.

"With everything that's going on in today's world, love is the centerpiece," Drummond says. "I believe that's the main thing that's going to keep us moving forward and keep us ahead."

The group sets up a photo shoot spot at the soup kitchen, snaps pictures, and gives families a framed copy to take home.

While the people that pass through these doors may not know where their next meal is coming from, Jeremiah is hoping the small moment they spent together gives them a new hope.

Jeremiah says he plans to do the photo shoots at the soup kitchen again around Christmas.

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