



Love INC
Love In the Name of Christ



Love INC of Benton County, Summer 2008

Our mission is to
mobilize the Church
to transform
lives and communities
In the Name of Christ



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Small and Simple Ways to Make a Big Difference

During the past few months I've noticed many small things that can be done that can make a big difference in people's lives. I'll list some of them for you here. There's probably at least one thing that you never thought of doing that's easy and yet will make a difference in a life.

- Tear off the tabs from pop cans and save them. A full yoghurt container I will buy 1/2 hour of kidney dialysis for someone who can't afford it. When the container is full, drop it off at our office and we'll give it to our volunteer who coordinates this project.
- When you see anything that could be used by teachers such as Sharpies, reams of paper, tissues, pencils on a really great sale (and sometimes free when you get the rebate) or at a yard sale, pick them up for the Teacher's Supply Give Away that we coordinate every August.
- If you have any yarn that you do not plan to use, one of our volunteers makes baby blankets for children that are picked up by DHS and brought to foster homes. Another volunteer makes slippers for people who need them.
- If you have eye glasses that you no longer use, drop them off at our office and we'll get them to organizations that reuse them for people who can't afford to buy them.
- Old cell phones can be mailed to Cell Phones For Soldiers. They are paid for these phones and the money is used to buy phone cards so soldiers can call home. Go to their website at www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com and you can even print out a free postage paid shipping label.
- Donate nice women's used clothes to the Altrusa Career Closet to help women get back in the work force. Call 754-6979 for information.
- Send Bibles to troops who request them through Campus Crusade for Christ—<http://give2.ccci.org/featured/rdk-afa>

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Updates

Check out our Community Calendar at the website www.yourloveinc.org Any community non-profit events that we hear about are now on the calendar. If your church is having an event, let us know and we'll add it. Just e-mail our office through the website.

It's easier than ever to donate directly on-line. Just go to our website at www.yourloveinc.org, click on the "Donate Now" button and follow the instructions!

HOPE Teams

Helping Our People Experience God—Honoring Our People's Experiences. We are looking for people who are interested in meeting with clients who have expressed a desire for personal prayer. The teams will be trained before they either meet with the client at home or here in our office. If you are interested, please contact LaCheri at loveinc@yourloveinc.org or 757-1311.

Love Stories

Fires and responses:

During the past two months, we have been called at least 3 times by people who have had house fires and needed help. One woman needed help rescuing some of her cherished possessions and moving them to a new apartment. Another family lost everything including their car and will need a great deal of help. They are still looking for a place to live.

Because you so generously responded very quickly, we were able to give them clothing, diapers and other items within a day to help them cope. A group of people from NW Hills Community Church have items ready for them as soon as they are moved in. A third apartment fire last week resulted in volunteers bringing a food box, personal hygiene items, bedding as well as doing some laundry. What a wonderful way to show God's love when people are at a very stressful time!

Clients are Volunteers??

A couple who has received firewood and other help from us and has had several conversations with volunteers, called and asked for a Bible on tape as the husband can no longer read. Within a couple of days we not only had one Bible on tape but one was sent on CDs as well. One set was ordered and mailed to us from a couple who live on the east coast but have kept in touch! We're thrilled to be able to deliver this set for them to hear the good news of God's love.

This couple always wants to give back and the wife has knit many slippers for clients and when they have extra food, they share with their neighbors. One time they even donated their little freezer when they no longer used it and we were able to give it to a young family to help stretch their food budget.

Just because they don't have a lot of money, does not mean that they cannot be creative and share what they have.



Paul and Cecil who faithfully served Jack for several years by visiting daily and helping with meal preparation. Jack has since died and they miss him. God bless the both of you for showing such love! You are an example to us all.

Opportunities

Items Needed

- \$20.00 gas cards for people working on fixing their finances through mentoring and attending Managing Your Money classes. If it's easier for you, just send us the money, mark on it "gas cards" and we'll purchase them.
- Vacuum cleaner.
- A pair of steel toed shoes for a young woman just entering the work force after being a stay at home mom.
- Two refrigerators—clients are coping without them right now and they are desperately needed.
- One electric stove for a single mom.

People Needed

- Volunteers to interview clients on the phone or be receptionists.
- Prayer time every week from 10:00-10:45. Join a small group at our office in praying for specific client needs. It's been exciting to see God answering the needs we lay before Him.
- Volunteers to prepare simple meals for people attending our Managing Your Money classes on Tuesday nights.



Northwest Hills volunteers helping to organize our medical equipment

If you feel that God is calling you to any of these ministries—give us a call at 757-2707 or send us an e-mail at director@yourloveinc.org.

Partnering Churches

- 1st Baptist in Corvallis
- 1st Baptist in Philomath
- Bellfountain Community Church
- Calvary Chapel
- Calvin Presbyterian
- Circle Church of Christ
- College United Methodist
- Corvallis Chinese Fellowship
- Corvallis Evangelical
- Corvallis Korean
- Corvallis Mennonite Fellowship
- Corvallis Nazarene
- Crossroads Christian Fellowship
- Doxology
- Faith Christian Fellowship
- Grace City-Church
- Grant Avenue Baptist
- Iglesia Emanuel Cuadrangular
- King's Circle Assembly
- Knollbrook Christian Reformed
- Lifespring Foursquare
- Living Faith
- New Life Fellowship
- New Wine Open Fellowship
- Northside
- NW Hills Community
- Peace Lutheran
- Philomath Community
- Philomath Nazarene
- Prince of Peace Community
- Servants' Fellowship
- Seventh Day Adventist
- Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran
- Southside Community
- Suburban Christian Fellowship
- St. Anne's Orthodox
- St. Mary's Catholic
- Cor-Vallis Church of God
- Westminster Presbyterian
- Westside Church
- Westwood Church

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You can help make a difference in the lives of people in need.

- Monthly pledge of ___\$25 ___\$50 ___\$75 ___\$100 ___ Other
- One time gift of \$_____
- Please send me information about volunteering in the Love INC office.

Mail to:

Love INC of Benton County
PO Box 270
Corvallis, OR 97339

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____
Church Affiliation _____

Do you want to be added to our once weekly prayer e-mail letter?
___yes ___ no



August 29 School Supply Give-Away:

- 9:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. at Linus Pauling School.
- This is the annual give-away to teachers. Come and greet, direct or help carry. This is a really fun event. We expect more than 300 teachers to attend this year.
- Call 757-2707 if you can help on the day itself or on the 3 days before it to help us get organized.

October 3—Love INC Celebration Bar-B-Que

- 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
- A celebration for anyone who's interested in what God has been doing through Love INC and visioning of future plans.
- This is not a fund raiser - we will not ask for money.
- More information to follow later.

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