

IN THE NAME OF  
THE FATHER, THE  
SON, AND THE  
HOLY GHOST

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# Love And Compassion Ministries News Letter

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# Happy New Year

All of us at Love And Compassion Ministries wishes that all of you will receive the fullness of happiness, love, joy, and peace from God our Father this year.

May 2009 be the year you grow closer to Christ our Savior each and every day!

Please share God's goodness with someone that needs Christ in their life.

A few days ago I took a young lady over to Faith Farm Ministries Women's Program called Eastham Home for Women in Boynton Beach, Florida where she will get the help she needs to deal with her addiction.

While driving over to the program, she informed me of the following poem that she wrote some time in her past.

I believe that this poem communicates what many others are going through today!

May God bless Cynthia and Faith Farm Ministries!

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*"Silent Tears" (a story of relapse)*  
By Cynthia Lou Fuller

*I step outside the rehab door, and suddenly it starts to pour.  
The rain clouds, they all gather in,  
I feel the rain drops wet on my skin,  
My tear drops mix in with the rain,  
I used to think my self quite sane,  
But hopelessness, it fogs my head,  
I wish to God that I was dead.*

*My eyes they search for one small hope,  
That I can live without the dope,  
That loneliness won't take me back,  
To that insane life, that life with crack .*

*No matter how I look at this,  
It's fast life that I really miss.  
So downtown Detroit I am bound,  
My silent tears, they make no sound.*

## Your Cross

We complain about the cross we bear but don't realize  
it is preparing us for the dip in the road that God can see and we can't.

Whatever your cross, whatever your pain,  
there will always be sunshine, after the rain....

Perhaps you may stumble, perhaps even fall;  
But God's always ready, to answer your call....

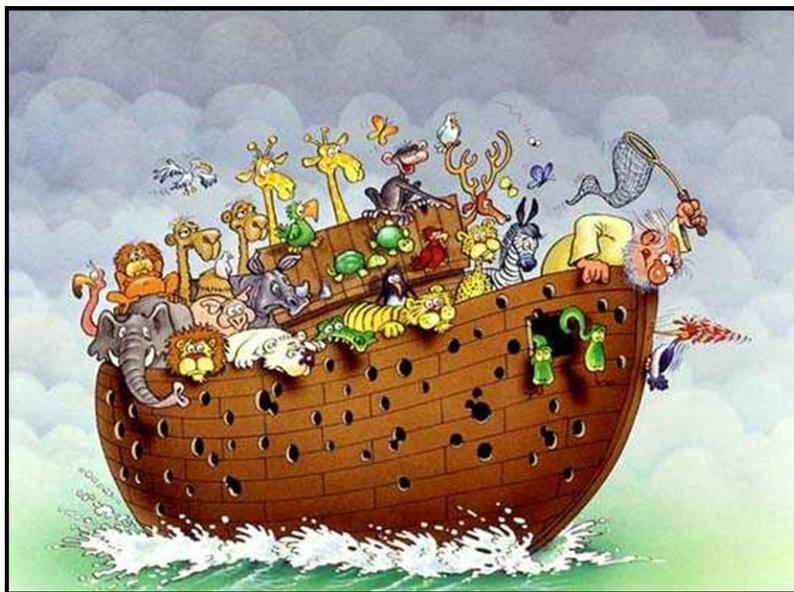
He knows every heartache, sees every tear,  
a word from His lips, can calm every fear...

Your sorrows may linger, throughout the night,  
But suddenly vanish, dawn's early light...

The Savior is waiting, somewhere above,  
to give you His grace, and send you His love...

**God promises a safe landing, not a calm  
passage.**

**What you do today is important because  
you are exchanging a day of your life for it.  
Make it a good one!**



**You Think You Have Problems?**

## EVERY PENNY COUNTS

I have been doing ministry work for more than 12 years now and I have never recommended anything within the news letter format. But now I feel that I must state a fact that could save you a lot of money in the future. Every penny counts in today world so I hope that you will be able to save as I have. I must start by saying that Love and Compassion Ministries nor I have benefited in any way for this endorsement.

For many years now I have been taking a drug for high blood pressure called Lotrel and for many years I have been paying more than \$86.00 for 30 tablets. A year or more ago I received a card that allowed me to save some money by going to a generic drug called Amlodipine-Benaz which cost a little more than \$56.00 for 30 tables.

A few days ago I heard of a pharmacy called Acology Rx Compounding. They were advertising that they have generic medications at discount prices, so I called them to see what they would charge for the medication I was taking. That was when I got the surprise of my life. The pharmacist asked me if I could take two tablets instead of one. I stated I could take five if it would save me some money.

After finding out the cost I called my local drug store to find out if they would be willing to sell me two tablets instead one. They stated that they could but the price would remain the same.

With this knowledge I drove over to Acology Rx Compounding. I met the pharmacist and within minutes he had my prescription moved from the large drug store over to them and had my prescription filled using two pills instead of one and I may add at a price that is unbelievable. I received 90 tablets each of the two drugs at a total cost of \$52.90 or a cost of less than fifty-nine cents each. This is a savings of more than \$1.28 for each tablet. Since I take a tablet once a day that is a savings of more than \$467.00 a year.

If you are taking large amounts of prescription drugs and you can't get them at the Wal-Mart price of \$4.00, I believe you should call Acology and see what they can do for you! Their number is 573-2424.

Always check with your doctor first before changing any medication.  
Stay healthy, stay happy, and stay safe!

*Ron Willis*

"I give because I believe that Love and Compassion Ministries directly or indirectly touches everyone in this community. Making a contribution to support LCM will help improve the quality of life for everyone in this community. I have first hand experience of how they help the people that are in need. I give every month at the first of the month. I commit to an amount that I can afford and I don't notice that the money is gone. God just keeps on blessing me. You can't out give God! Investing in the future of this ministry and the work they are doing for the Lord has a big payback. "

*Melissa*

## God's Place

If you have a desire to see the homeless, people that have physical, mental, drug and alcohol addictions, including our youth, get the help they need, join Love And Compassion Ministries at 2:30 PM on Saturday January 10, 2009 at 1401 Viscaya Parkway, Suite 3 in Cape Coral, Florida 33990.

### Items that will be discussed are:

#### One / two / three year budget:

- Staff that is needed to support 250 / 500 / 1000 / 2000 clients.
- Capacity to raise funds. (Churches, grants, individuals, sale of items, etc.)
- Financial Statements and Projections

#### Drawing up a business plan:

- Inform public of the crisis and what it costs the county / state now!
- Market Analysis, Data and Cost to run Gulf Coast Center today.
- Services and positive impact on county and state resources. (Law enforcement, hospitals, ambulance.)
- Constructing a place where people can interact, receive hope, knowledge, and a trade.
- Developing and implementing programs to deal with the crisis we are in.
- Marketing Plan and Target population.
- Personnel / problems with other organizations being part of the over all facility.
- Minimize environment impact.
- Implement alternative energy. (Wind and solar)
- Grow our own food.

#### Security:

- Honor code.
- ID badges for staff and clients.
- How do we keep everyone on the base where they are suppose to be?
- How do we keep from discrimination and yet ban sexual criminals and violent people.

#### Ministries capability and responsibility:

- Can we meet the people's needs.
- Healthy balance of mind, body, and soul is desired.
- Spirituality and recovery.

#### Responsibility to community:

- Medical facility.
- Open door policy.
- When to setup a meeting with community.
- Steps needed to be addressed in order for the base to never become a cult or religion.

#### Evaluate:

- Need permission to get on base. (To check condition of buildings and equipment.)
- Recognize our partners.
- Permits and Other Regulations

Please RSVP by 01/07/09 at [RonWillis@LoveCompassion.com](mailto:RonWillis@LoveCompassion.com) or call 239-574-5683 with your desire to participate in the meeting. If you have questions or comments use this same address.

We are praying for more people to join us in this God sized venture. If you wish to be a part of the prayer, support, and action teams and/or assist us with the feasibility study in regards to God's Place, call us at 239-574-5683.

Thank You!

## LADIES OF TEEN CHALLENGE

Recently the Ladies of Teen Challenge, of Fort Myers, came over and helped Love And Compassion Ministries get all our Christmas cards out along with doing many odd jobs in the office that have been put off for awhile. We are so thankful for their hard work, Godly attitude, and desire to help us.

Teen Challenge programs for women provide a one-year residential training program for girls ages 18 and over with life-controlling problems, primarily in the areas of: alcohol and drug abuse, sexual abuse, eating disorders, depression and promiscuity.

While in the Teen Challenge Program, each woman learns how to turn to God and be honest with herself. Each will experience inner healing and learn to trust others again. Teen Challenge has designed a program to help break the cycles of failure, substance abuse and addiction by focusing on coping skills, interactive and social skills and work ethics. Their program includes individual and group studies, Bible study and chapel services, pastoral counseling, work ethics responsibility training, domestic skills, job training, ministry outreach, and recreation.

The rewards of the program can include restored families, healthy relationships and becoming a hard-working, productive and successful member of society. Women can live free from the expectations of the "American culture" and become the woman God designed them to be.

Thank you Ladies of Teen Challenge for all your great help and for staying with the program even when it's hard to do so. May God bless you all as He molds you into the lady He wants you to be. I pray blessings on you all so that you can continue to be a blessing to others.



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## Love And Compassion Ministries

Dear Friends,

This last year has really flown by. 2008 was a very trying year for Love and Compassion Ministries as it has been for most ministries. It's been a year of great economic challenges but it also has been a very successful year when it comes to serving our Lord in a mighty way. Many people have come to us for help this past year. I know that a lot of you have helped us in the past and did it even though many of you found it more difficult to contribute. However, each time we have faced a challenge, the Lord has provided. I thank the Lord for all the people who have helped us during this tough time.

For people facing tough economic times and dealing with challenging personal situations, such as incarceration, trying to maintain stability may seem next to impossible, but our Lord has shown us miracle on top of miracle.

Everyone tells us the economic conditions will be even worse during 2009. That means more people will be coming to our door. We will have an even greater opportunity to help people and tell them about the Lord. I hope you will prayerfully consider helping Love and Compassion Ministries with a monthly gift this year. No matter how big or small, your gift will help us to help others. I pray that you will be able to share the joy we get as we work together to accomplish God's Will.

I am very fortunate to work with a group of people who are so dedicated and show such compassion towards others. The world is a better place because they care. They continue to inspire me! Through tireless efforts Love And Compassion Ministries has improved the quality of life for many in our community.

We have been able to provide services to hundreds of individuals and families in 2008 because of your prayers and giving. We have helped alcoholics and addicts receive treatment for their addictions. We have been able to help unemployed find work. We have been able to help many pay their rent and utilities. We have been able to help the sick and the homeless. But, most of all, we have been able to tell these people about Jesus Christ, and His saving grace, and some have invited Him into their hearts.

May we all start something new in our life this year by reaching out to others, giving of yourself and sharing your experiences and wisdom with others. By doing so you might discover a new purpose in life. May your new year be filled with Peace and Joy that comes from Jesus Christ. Take care of yourself with the start of this New Year ... and may God bless you everyday of it.

Please continue to pray for us! Once again, thanks for your help.

In the Presence of our LORD,

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If you would like to be a part of our exciting prayer team, please send us your e-mail address and we will send you updates of people who need our prayers. *The LORD is near to all who call upon HIM, to all who call upon HIM in truth.* Psalm 145:18 NKJ

It is a great privilege that we have, as sons and daughters of the KING, to be able to come into HIS presence with our needs, our hurts, and our cares. We know that we can leave them at HIS feet because HE cares for us and will always answer us in our time of need.

Prayer requests are very important to us! We always need people who are caring and willing to personally pray for others needs. As we pray for their physical, moral, and spiritual needs, we must understand that because of JESUS CHRIST'S love for all of us, we are able to do this. CHRIST is the answer to every human's needs.

As members of the Body of CHRIST, we have the privilege and responsibility to pray for our Churches, our missionaries, public officials, other ministries, and each other.