



## VISION FOR GOD'S PLACE

It is the vision of God's Place to take men and women separately, or families who through circumstances of their own making, or that of others, find themselves in need of a helping hand. From a kind word of encouragement to the passer by or the drug addict who needs gentle twenty-four hour supervision. From the one who needs help to learn a new trade, improve a skill or learn our language, to the one who has been overwhelmed by life's difficulties. For the one who only needs a bus ticket to get home to family, to the intervention that requires blood, sweat and tears.

It is the vision of God's Place to physically come along side these people and do all we can to help them over, through and beyond their current circumstance. It is the vision of God's Place to gently point them to the One who made them, to the One who, from the beginning of time, has desired a loving relationship with them personally, and has made that possible through His Son Jesus Christ, and by the teaching of the Holy Spirit they can learn how to live in such a way as to become over comers of life's problems. To be able to become productive members of society, and be able to reach out to others in need.

Come all you who are heavy laden with sin and guilt and we would point you to the one who can set you free.

**If you are a Christian and you would like to be part of a God given vision where all clients will be treated like family, contact Ron Willis at Love and Compassion Ministries at 239-574-5683.**

**Thank You!**

We support Love and Compassion Ministries because they helped us at a time in our lives when we didn't know where to turn. We found that they help a lot of people, the homeless, those who are addicted to harmful substance, and others in need!

*Joann C.*

Love and Compassion Ministries provides the help that few of us know anything about when confronted with harmful addictions or homelessness. What they ask for in return is your prayers for the ministry. What they need and deserve is your prayers and financial giving as best you can.

*Jim C.*

## The Heart of God's Word



Within the center or "The Heart" of the Bible rest the shortest chapter. It is fitting that at "half-time" through the Bible that we pause and take the time to "Praise the Lord" for all that He does for us.

1. Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples!
2. For His merciful kindness is great toward us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!

Ref: Psalm 117 (NIV)

### The Heart of God's Word

We "Praise The Lord" for the heart of His Word.

We "Praise The Lord" and pray that we are heard.

We pause and give thanks at this moment in time,  
and give praise that our God is so merciful and kind.

So as we pray to Our Father in heaven above,

We praise Him for giving us unconditional love.

Amen

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## THE MINISTRY'S NEEDS

Our Lord has said, "you have not for you ask not!" Many have said to me, "I don't know what I should be praying for when it comes to the ministry's needs." I have failed many times to give Godly people an idea of what our needs are, other than prayer. My thought is, that if we really needed an item, that God would provide it. Well, here are a few of the items we need. If God wishes to use one of you to fulfill an item or even a part of an item we would be most grateful.

#1 We always need your prayers! With out prayer, LCM could not continue.

#2 We are in great need of a secretary and have been for some time now. It is so hard to do my job properly without office help. We have volunteers that show up when it is convenient for them rather than when we need them. Many times they have no idea of what is going on nor really care. We need someone that can work five days a week where the job will be a ministry instead of a occupation.

#3 We are in great need of a copier / printer that will print our 11"x 17" paper for the newsletters. We need something that is big enough to do the job and yet not "cost an arm and a leg" to run it. This will save the ministry more that \$250.00 a month. Cost of a used machine ... \$1,500.00.

#4 We are in need of some work done on the transmission for the van. "Park" is not holding. We need to have someone look into getting it fixed.

#5 The van needs a paint job in the worse way. It is peeling in many places and will start rusting soon.

#6 We have been using QuickBooks for as long as we have been a ministry. The version we are using expired several years ago. Many of the programs that came with our QuickBooks no longer work! We need to upgrade to 2009, which cost \$99.00. The problem is, that we need the money in so many other areas.

#7 Our website is being upgraded by a young man that knows what he is doing. When he finishes it, we won't be able to edit or add to it. We need an update for the program (Expression) to do so. Total cost for the new software is \$27.00.

#8 We also need some office chairs. We are using some old chairs that were donated several years ago. They have slowly been breaking down and not being replaced. We always need stamps, envelopes, and money to pay the rent, gas for the van, office electric bill, and so many other items.

As you can see, we have many needs that we could spend a lot of money on, **but our biggest need is for general donations.** These donations will help us get people into drug programs, pay utility bills, provide gas money for someone to get back and forth to work, or purchase a bus ticket for a person needing to get home, and I could go on and on. If you would like to help us with any one of these needs, send your check to the address below and signify the area you want the money applied.

Thank You and may God bless you!

**Love And Compassion Ministries is a ministry of hope because  
Jesus Christ is in everything we do!**

**Please help us keep hope alive! GIVE! Your gift is tax deductible.**

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**Thank You!**

## CHOICES ...

Michael is the kind of guy you love to hate. He is always in a good mood and always has something positive to say. When someone would ask him how he was doing, he would reply, "If I were any better, I would be twins!" He was a natural motivator. If an employee was having a bad day, Michael was there telling the employee how to look on the positive side of the situation.

Seeing this style really made me curious. One day I went up to Michael and asked him, "I don't get it! You can't be a positive person all of the time. How do you do it?" Michael replied, "Each morning I wake up and say to myself, you have two choices today. You can choose to be in a good mood or you can choose to be in a bad mood. I choose to be in a good mood."

Each time something bad happens, I can choose to be a victim or I can choose to learn from it. I choose to learn from it. Every time someone comes to me complaining, I can choose to accept their complaining or I can point out the positive side of life. I choose the positive side of life. "Yeah, right, it's not that easy," I protested. "Yes, it is," Michael said. "Life is all about choices. When you cut away all the junk, every situation is a choice. You choose how you react to situations. You choose how people affect your mood. You choose to be in a good mood or bad mood. The bottom line is, It's your choice how you live your life."

I reflected on what Michael said. Soon hereafter, I left the Tower Industry to start my own business. We lost touch, but I often thought about him when I made a choice about life instead of reacting to it. Several years later, I heard that Michael was involved in a serious accident, falling some 60 feet from a communications tower. After 18 hours of surgery and weeks of intensive care, Michael was released from the hospital with rods placed in his back.

I saw Michael about six months after the accident. When I asked him how he was, he replied, "If I were any better, I'd be twins. Wont to see my scars?" I declined to see his wounds, but I did ask him what had gone through his mind as the accident took place. "The first thing that went through my mind was the well-being of my soon-to-be born daughter," Michael replied. "Then, as I lay on the ground, I remembered that I had two choices: I could choose to live or I could choose to die. I chose to live."

"Weren't you scared? Did you lose consciousness?" I asked. Michael continued, "the paramedics were great. They kept telling me I was going to be fine. But when they wheeled me into the ER and I saw the expressions on the faces of the doctors and nurses, I really got scared. In their eyes, I read 'he's a dead man'. I knew I needed to take action." "What did you do?" I asked.

"Well, there was a big burly nurse shouting questions at me," said Michael. "She asked if I was allergic to anything. "Yes, I replied." The doctors and nurses stopped working as they waited for my reply. I took a deep breath and yelled, "Gravity." Over their laughter, I told them, "I am choosing to live. Operate on me as if I am alive, not dead."

Michael lived, thanks to the skill of his doctors, but also because of his amazing attitude. I learned from him that every day we have the choice to live fully.

Attitude, after all, is everything.

Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. After all, today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.

**Now you have a choice!**

## Hello GOD

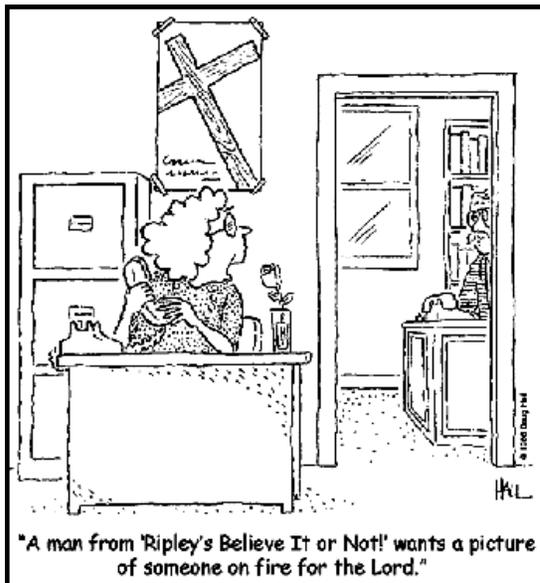
Hello GOD, are you there?  
 I was told that you really care  
 True love I have never known  
 I've always felt as if I was alone

Hello GOD, are you there?  
 If so, please answer my prayer  
 My heart aches as if pierced with a knife  
 Is loneliness all there is to life?  
 All my nights are filled with tears  
 All my days are filled with fears

Hello GOD, are you there?  
 Is it true that all my burdens you will share?  
 Can it be that you are the reason why  
 That when I should have, I did not die  
 When the Bible I began to read  
 For you I felt the need  
 Now life's troubles I can bare

Because I know...YES, GOD you are there!

BY: David Hazellief  
 January 1, 2009





## Love And Compassion Ministries

Dear Friends,

Can we expect Christians to live, work, and communicate as if Christ is standing beside them day in and day out? Do we talk to our coworkers, family, friends, or even the people that cause us problems with a tone of love? What can we expect from Christians? Do we look at Christians as being no more or no less than non-Christian? Do we want to be as much of the world as possible in order to receive the benefits but not so much as we may look ungodly? Does our private life look like our public life?

Many Christians around the world have sat on their hands and done nothing to stop the killing of babies before they have taken their first breath. God is being removed from our government, health care, legal system, as corruption, murder, and child abuse climbs higher and higher. We have done nothing to stop the divorce rate! We have done nothing to stop sexually immoral people from spreading their agenda across the airways. God has given them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves and yet we do nothing to stop this life style from getting to our children.

I have major concerns about the lack of focus on qualitative discipleship in many churches. We have false shepherds running many of our churches. We need strong Church leaders that are willing to stand up and call sin what it is... SIN!! We need spiritual leaders to be challenged to reject the mediocrity among believers. Right is right and wrong is wrong! We have become weak Christians because we no longer read our Bibles, attend Church, and even when we realize that some aspects of our lives are not right in God's eyes, we make excuses instead of repenting. We carry undue burdens, shame, and unforgiveness around that only prevents us from doing great things for the Lord.

I believe that we, as individuals and our nation as a whole, will be judged soon for the sins of this country. I believe that God's judgment is about to descend on this nation as no one can imagine. The Lord says in II Chronicles 7:14 *If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.*

So, what kind of Christian are we? Are we faithful, kind, loving and giving, or are we greedy, not caring for others, carrying around hurt and anger, running from God? I pray that we all will strive to be more Christ like in our everyday walk, stand up for what is right, put down wrong doings, and love as God loves us.

I pray that we will bring honor and glory to our Lord as we live on this earth, but not allowing this earth to live within us. May we always be the salt and light of this world, serving God in a mighty way. As Christians we have entered into a covenant with God to keep His laws and commandments. I expect you to keep me accountable and I hope and pray that you will keep me in your prayers as I am on the front lines of this great battle between good and evil.

I pray that God will bless each of you for your obedience and desire to support this ministry. May Christ bless all we are doing in and through Love And Compassion Ministries.

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.