

Love and Compassion Ministries

In the Name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit

May 1, 2010 In The Year of Our Lord

NEWSLETTER

Moms are special through out the year but especially on Mother's Day

Mothers' Day is a holiday celebrated on the second Sunday in May. It is a day when children honor their mothers with cards, gifts, and flowers. The first observance was in Philadelphia in 1907. Although it wasn't celebrated in the U.S. until 1908, there were days honoring mothers even in the days of ancient Greece.

Later, in the 1600's, in England there was an annual observance called "Mothering Sunday." It was celebrated during Lent, on the fourth Sunday. On Mothering Sunday, the servants, who generally lived with their employers, were encouraged to return home and honor their mothers. It was traditional for them to bring a special cake along to celebrate the occasion.

In 1908 Ana Jarvis, from Grafton, West Virginia, began a campaign to establish a national Mother's Day. Jarvis persuaded her mother's church in Grafton, West Virginia to celebrate Mother's Day on the anniversary of her mother's death. A memorial service was held there on May 10, 1908. The following year they celebrated Mother's Day in Philadelphia where Jarvis had moved.

Jarvis and others began a letter-writing campaign to ministers, businessmen, and politicians in their quest to establish a national Mother's Day. They were successful. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson made the official announcement proclaiming Mother's Day a national observance that was to be held each year on the 2nd Sunday of May.

Many other countries of the world celebrate their own Mother's Day at different times throughout the year. Denmark, Finland, Italy, Turkey, Australia, and Belgium celebrate Mother's Day on the second Sunday in May, as in the U.S. If you are blessed enough to still have your mother, spend some time with her and tell her how much you love her.

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What the Bible says about Mothers...

- Genesis 3:20 Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.
- Exodus 20:12 Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.
- Leviticus 19:3 Each of you must respect his mother and father, and you must observe my Sabbaths. I am the LORD your God.
- Deuteronomy 5:16 Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live long and that it may go well with you in the land the LORD your God is giving you.
- Proverbs 10:1 The proverbs of Solomon: A wise son brings joy to his father, but a foolish son grief to his mother.
- Isaiah 66:13 As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you; and you will be comforted over Jerusalem.
- Ezekiel 16:44 Everyone who quotes proverbs will quote this proverb about you: "Like mother, like daughter."
- Luke 1:43 But why am I so favored, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
- Luke 2:51 Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart.
- John 19:26-27 When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

LOVE AND COMPASSION NEEDS:

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Thanks!



The Homeless in Our Town

by: [John Michael Domino](#)

Some homeless are ex-military and have served this country well.

If you have not visited the homeless around our town there is something that you should know.

Many homeless talk about getting back on their feet but they truly have no place to go.

The ex-prisoners, the job seekers, these homeless folks, they look just like you and me.

They may be homeless, but some are veterans and many have fought for the U.S. overseas.

Have you ever helped in the soup kitchen or attended church with the homeless in our town?

They just want love and kindness; they love it when friendly folks come around.

They may be homeless, but they are not hopeless, and each one has a personal story to tell.

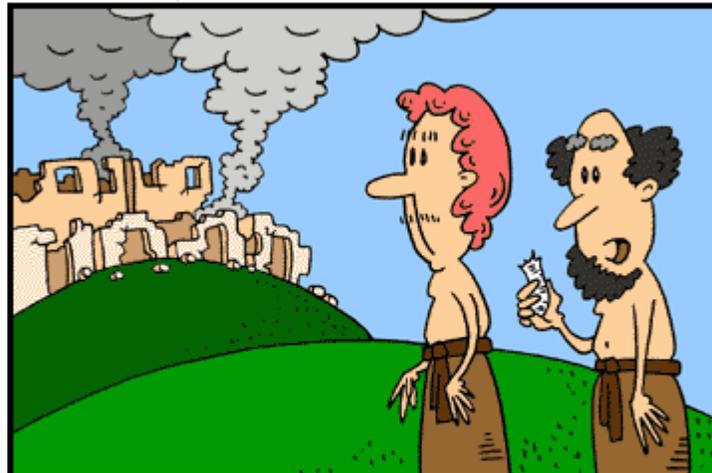
They may be homeless, but they still have faith and some love the Lord as well.

They may be homeless but most are not helpless in any sort of way.

So please take some time out, give them a helping hand and pray for them today! Amen

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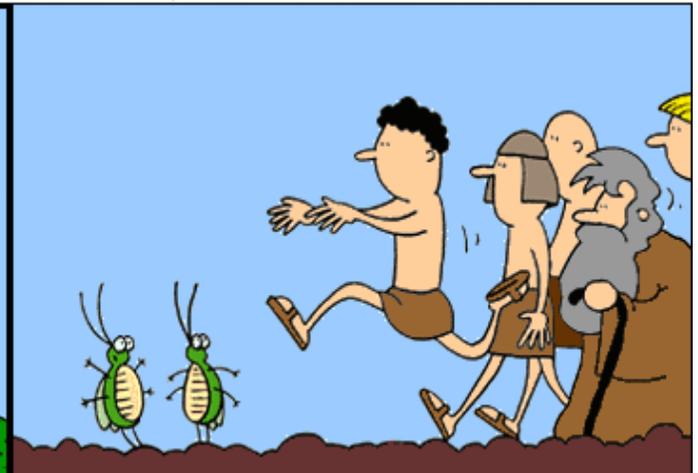
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(See Genesis 19:1-29)

THE AD SAID "HOUSE IN SODOM, A FIXER-UPPER" ... I DIDN'T THINK "FIXER-UPPER" MEANT THE CITY

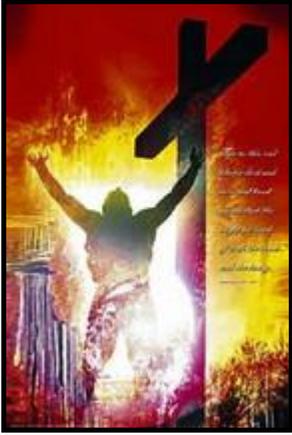
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LOOK OUT, IT'S A PLAGUE OF HUMANS

07-31-2001



So Close, Yet So Far - The Humbling of a Football Star

I had the pleasure to become acquainted with G. Booth Lusteg, an NFL football champion from the 1970's. He gave wonderful testimonies to Love and Compassion Ministry for Incarcerated Youth, the El Ahava Messianic Synagogue and Faith Fellowship WWM. I feel honored and humbled to help connect him with folks that need to hear what he has to say about his life with the Lord. He has lung cancer so his time may be short. Please pray for him to be able to do God's will and to be restored to 100% good health. Thank you and God Bless you!

Introduction by [John Michael Domino](#)

Links to his book (So Close, Yet So Far) is on our web-site at www.LoveCompassion.com

What is more important?

Many people say, "Ron you do too much. Slow down and smell the roses!" I have always believed that we need to put our energy and time into things more important than ourselves and the making of money. If we do, money will follow. God will provide when there seems to be no way.

Here are a few of the ministries that make up Love And Compassion Ministries. Which ones are important and which are not important. Which ones should I stop doing? Or which ones are you willing to do?

Accounting / Bookkeeping / Finances: For a ministry to be successful in any way it must have an accounting system that is clear to understand and open for all to see. This job entails making the deposits, fulfill accounts receivable, accounts payable, general ledger, keeping up with depreciation and reconciling the bank account. Keeping good credit is essential so we take pride in paying all owed invoices on time.

Potential Donors / Advertising / Fund Raising: It takes money to run a ministry of this size. People want to give to ministries that line up with their vision of what is important to them. Sometimes it takes hours to lay out the needs and the objectives of the ministry. We always hope that donors will agree with what God has set for us to do, but if not, we do not change the ministry to line up with the donor. We design, print and handout information about LCM. Whether it is auctioning item off, selling items, doing garage sales, supplying vending machines, doing coin buckets or many other ventures it is God that we have to look to not man for our funding!

Office Cleaning: Cleanliness is next to Godliness. Keeping the office clean is a big job. We have to remove trash, vacuumed floors, dust furniture, put things in there place, water plants and clean windows. People coming into the office should smell a clean place not pizza or worse.

Board Meetings: It takes a board of directors (Godly men and women) to direct a ministry of this size. Each board meeting has its requirements and balances. Led by our Lord we analyze income statements and balance sheets, as we look at the needs of the ministry and the out come of the ministries undertaking.

Communications: Whether it's phone calls, e-mails, letter writing or sending cards this part of the ministry is a full time job. There are always e-mails to return, letters to thank donors, letters to inmates, attorneys, judges, family members, Churches, and hundreds of calls back and forth to help people get jobs, housing and transportation.

Visits: Visits to people's homes, jails, hospitals, rest homes and hospices are always great. To go and pray with people that are in need, about to be operated on or dying is a very rewarding thing. When I am able to witness to others, one on one, it is the greatest of all things to do. When people respond positively to God's invitation to be part of Christ's Family there is no better felling.

Prayer Ministry: Prayer requests are very important to us! 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. 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 acknowledge 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. It is a great privilege and responsibility to pray for people in need, our Churches, missionaries, public officials, other ministries, and each other. It is so exciting to see prayers being answered. May we always give Christ the Glory!

Provide Assistance: When God gives me the ability to provide a gallon of milk to a mother with three hungry children or food to a family, a battery to a young man that can't get to work if his car won't start, or help a mother with a utility or water bill it helps us all. We also provide a computer within our office and assistance in filing for food stamps and other government programs.

Partnering With Churches, Businesses, Individuals and Other Ministries: Working with others is a big part of LCM. We can't do it all. We must rely on people that can do the work that we don't have the ability or resources to do ourselves. Having a good relationship with these groups makes it easier to get the help people need, whether it is them sending us people or us sending people to them. I am so thankful for the comradery we have with other groups that care about helping people as we do.

Preach: As God directs, I occasionally preach to Church congregations that have requested me to do so. It is always a privilege, but it is always very time consuming.

Newsletter: We produce a monthly newsletter that is always a big responsibility. It takes more than sixty hours every month of valuable time to put it all together. We print it ourselves, label them and mail them to prisoners and donors free of any cost to them.

Web-site: We have had a web-site for many years now that is being updated monthly with good information about the ministry, how to get assistance and Godly stories. Our web-site is now being changed over to a new format. Visit us at www.lovecompassion.com

Bible Studies: We all need our batteries to be recharged. The weekly Bible studies give us the ability to do that plus share our experiences and knowledge with other believers.

Youth Ministry: We have teamed up with Publix to feed cake and cookies to the youth at the Crossroads Wilderness Institute while teaching them about the Bread of Life. It is our hope to get them to see how much God loves them and wants the very best for them. We will do all we can to prevent them from getting back into trouble.

Computer Repairs: People donate their computers to LCM where we reformat the hard drives, add parts and make them work for us. This is time consuming but we can not afford to purchase new computers.

Biblical Counseling: Accepting another person wholly and intimately into your life is utterly life-changing. Opening up every part of yourself to another person is constantly challenging, and powerful in how it changes you and makes you strive to be a better person. Today many families are having very difficult times. Marriages are in a strain. Many are having major financial problems. They need help! Children don't understand why these things are happening to the point that they are acting up and getting into trouble. Biblical counseling is able to help many.

Court Ministry: I go to court and testify for people to get them into a drug program instead of sending them to jail or prison. These people have gone through an interview, filled out an information and a consent form allowing us to receive information, contact individuals, companies, and loved ones. This is truly a life changing ministry.

Prevent Suicide: Alcoholic and drug addicts usually call late at night wanting to talk to someone that cares about them. The common link among people who kill themselves is the belief that suicide is the only solution to a set of overwhelming feelings. The attraction of suicide is that it will finally end these unbearable feelings. The tragedy of

suicide is that intense emotional distress often blinds people to alternative solutions . . . yet other solutions are almost always available.

Walk-ins: Walk-ins are very time consuming. They come into our office with out an appointment with many needs. Countless times they need an hour or more to communicate their needs, what they have done to rectify the problem and who is involved in the situation.

Computer Training: Many need to learn the basics about hardware and software. To get a good job today all need to learn computers. We provide people opportunities for making changes in their lives as they learn many different software programs and give them the ability to communicate electronically through computer networks.

Grants: Many hours a week are spent on applying for grants from foundations. It is very time consuming searching for them, writing letters of intent, gathering information for the grantee and completing forms.

God's Place: For two years we have been working on the budget and business plan, while writing letters, making phone calls, meeting with people, sending and receiving e-mails and printing and placing information on our web-site all to get the State of Florida to rent the 640 acre WWII Air Force Base in Buckingham to us.

Vehicle Upkeep: The SUV needs more than gas! Keeping up with oil changes, car washes and regular upkeep is the life of a vehicle. This SUV is one of the key pieces of equipment that we have and we need to do all we can to make it last.

Job Placement / Employment: Many people need jobs today. Many have gone for many months with out any income. One of the key ministries we have is praying and making contacts for employment. We thank God for opening many doors for people to receive employment.

Homeless Ministry: This is one of the most rewarding ministries that we are involved in. Ministering to people that have nothing gives me so much pleasure. Seeing the smiles of appreciation on their faces is priceless. I have learned from the homeless that money comes and money goes and the ability to survive and even thrive with no money means that money becomes significantly less important. The ability to do things yourself reduces the need you have for money to solve your problems.

For most people, the action of helping others provides a great deal of personal joy and satisfaction, something that cannot be replaced by any sort of material item. Helping others often requires no financial resources at all.

When you move from desiring the things that you do not have, to being thankful for the things that you do have, your perspective on the world changes drastically. Your desire to have the latest things goes down while, at the same time, your contentedness with life goes up dramatically.

The more of these elements you dig into and discover in your life, the smaller the role of money, greed, and spending occupys. In the end, you'll find that you're no longer chasing money, instead money is following you on the path to a much better life. When believers in Christ join together as a congregation to do the work that Jesus commissioned the church to do we can do much with little.

The question is what parts do we allow to die or how can this ministry best be organized to allow it to function and fulfill the purpose God has for it without more help? Are you willing to join us?

What is more important to you?

Ron Willis



Love And Compassion Ministries

Dear Friends,

Through out the years people have come and gone! Many people desire to work with us here at LCM, but very few really have the time or heart to do this work. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. Many want to support us with their donations, but satan's voice of doubt and despair overpowers their ability to hear or Lord's call to obedience. So we do without and they miss a blessing!

Our board of directors are dedicated to develop policies and approve programs that focus on the homeless, veterans, disadvantage families, ex-prisoners, and trouble youths. We have serviced over 20,000 people in our last twelve years of existence by helping with counseling, food, clothing, Bibles, car repairs, gasoline, bus tickets, utilities, medical needs, finding jobs, working with courts to get people into drug programs, and transporting people to programs, hospitals, doctor appointments, and job interviews, all for free.

There are many nights that I cry out to God for people that have lost their faith and hope in getting any help for their families. Love And Compassion Ministries is doing all we can to get them the help they need today while focusing on long term solutions at the same time. We are not affiliated with any Church, religion or other organizations. We are not supported by the United Way or any government agency. Our support comes from people just like you! They see what we do and want to be apart of the work God has put our hands to.

I personally have sacrificed my all to the work God has put before me and I know that nothing I say will ever get people to sacrifice one dime to support us or commit to helping us run this ministry. That is the Holy Spirit's job. He is the only one that can speak to your heart in a way for you to see and hear with your spiritual eyes and ears. I pray that we will focus on God's desires and our own.

This country is in the mess that we are in, because we thought it was great to let the government help the people that had always came to the Churches for help. Christians forgot that most of the people came to the Churches for help because God was drawing them there for spiritual guidance and many came to the Lord's saving grace because of it. Now that the government can't help all that are in need, they come to us. Praise the Lord, because now we have a chance to witness to them for their god (government) can't help them.

Please keep the people that come to us in need, our board of directors, our volunteers, prayer partners, donors, and me in your prayers. I know that satan wishes for us to lose heart and give up. Please pray that we will serve our Lord in a way where it will bring honor and glory to Him.

God bless each of you!

In the Presence of our LORD,

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you updates of people who need our prayers.

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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.

It is so exciting to see prayers being answered. May we always give CHRIST the Glory!