

## CREW LOVE NEWS

The high school groups who were at SFA as part of Student Life worked in our community May 30 through June 1. Eight senior adults were served by their work. The students did some painting jobs, and also did some work for a man who desperately needed help in his yard that had been overgrown for years. The students worked with such willing spirits and showed Christ's love. Two students from one of the groups received Christ as Savior during the week, which is a true cause for rejoicing.

We are now asking anyone who knows of a senior adult or disabled person who might need home repairs, yard work, painting jobs and wheelchair ramps to call Love INC. Another group is coming to Nacogdoches and is looking for some good projects to love their Neighbors. UM ARMY from the Houston area will be looking at homes on June 26 and actually working on the sites July 17-21. Please call Love in the Name of Christ about people that you know who need help. Please call 559-1234.

*-Dawn Radnitzer*

## CAREGIVING

The Caregiver Program has had the opportunity to be involved in several cases where a senior adult needed twenty four hour care.

One family had been caring for an aging parent without outside help, but they found great relief in having our caregivers come and offer some loving care. What a load can be lifted from family members by having a caregiver provide some relief and extra time for necessary tasks.

Another family recently had a family member discharged from the hospital and they all knew it was going to be necessary to have help. We have witnessed a wonderful recovery as this elderly Neighbor has progressed from being bedridden to preparing for a rehabilitation program to regain more mobility. It is a special reward when we get to see people improving like this.

*-Dawn Radnitzer*

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Consider these practical words from a late-nineteenth century American pastor: "Christianity is not a voice in the wilderness, but a life in the world. It is not an idea in the air but feet on the ground going God's way. Nothing we can say to the Lord, no calling Him by great or dear names, can take the place of the plain doing of His will. There is no substitute for every-day goodness." --by Maltbie D. Babcock (author of the hymn *This is My Father's World*)

*-Roger Aker*

## PROGRAM NOTES

We are preparing for the Summer Food Program in the Parks which will begin Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> and go through Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. A hot lunch will be served at these locations: McCrimmon, Banita, and Pioneer Park, and Briar Forest subdivision in the Voice of the Resurrection Church. Partner churches have "adopted" one week in one of the parks to serve a hot lunch and to provide spiritually enriching, fun-filled activities for school age children. We are still needing food-filled sacks so we can distribute 75 per week with enough food to feed one child for the weekend and we are asking the church to deliver the sacks to their preassigned location. Love INC is providing the sacks in advance so Sunday School classes and VBS children can draw/color on the sacks and include notes or scriptures, on the bag, and then fill the sacks with food.

Another ministry opportunity to serve children and their families this summer is through the clothing, shoe and backpack distribution drive— Shared Blessings. Last year First Christian Church graciously hosted this back-to-school event along with numerous other partner churches who served about 170 children.

Start collecting new or "like new" jeans and shirts for school-age children/youth for our August Shared Blessings. We are also encouraging monetary donations for the purchase of new shoes and backpacks so Love INC can make sure we have enough of the right sizes. Please store these clothing items until August. More information will follow throughout the summer about this mid-August event.

*-Sandra Johnson*

# LOVE

IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

A PARTNERSHIP OF CHURCHES  
BRINGING TOGETHER PEOPLE IN NEED  
AND PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP

June 20, 2006

### *A LOVE STORY*

What do you think went through Jesus' heart when the solitary blind man returned to thank Him for his sight? Probably He shared in his great delight rather than getting preoccupied with why the others were so "forgetful".

Between May 30 and June 1, high school students worked at several homes here in Nacogdoches. They mowed, painted, cleaned, and loved their Neighbors in special ways. Here are some thank you cards we have received on their behalf:

"Thank you so very much for the youth group that came to my home to do yard work. They did a wonderful job and truly lifted my spirits."

"This is to thank you very much for sending the people to paint and fix the rotten boards on the eaves of my house. The boards sure made it look much better."

"I really appreciate my clean ceiling fans and the other special things you did for me. Thanks with love!"

"I want to thank you for the work that you did for me. It was very well appreciated. It is very nice of you to take out time to help people in need. Thank you again."

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***These friends supported Love in the Name of Christ in May through their kind gifts.***

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**DONATIONS FROM PARTNER CHURCHES**

***These churches are on mission to our community, and their generous May gifts are appreciated.***

- Bethel Baptist Church
- Christ Episcopal Church
- First Baptist Church
- First Church of the Nazarene
- First United Methodist Church
- Fredonia Hill Baptist Church
- Grace Bible Church
- Harvest Pointe Community Fellowship
- Jubilee Christian Center
- Lilly Grove Baptist Church
- Monday Night Small Group, Westminster Presbyterian
- Nat Baptist Church
- New Faith Baptist Church
- Oak Grove Baptist Church
- Society of St. Stephens
- Unity Church of Christianity
- Westminster Presbyterian Church

**SPECIAL GIFTS**

- In memory of Anne Bright  
Gift from Hamp and Clarice Miller
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Gift from Sarah Alice Millard  
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- In honor of Jane Gregory  
Gift from the Monday Night Small Group of Westminster Presbyterian Church
- In honor of Sharon Templeman  
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- In honor of the Adult Six Sunday School Dept.  
Gift from C.J. and Laverne Cordell

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Gifts from our partner churches were \$2,657.22 in May, below plan by \$676.11. Our Love INC friends have given \$7,465.00, which is above plan by \$3,298.34. Expenses were above plan by 1,587.23. The Love Index (number of months of operating funds in reserve) is 9.57. Thank you all so much for your gifts.

**I WANT TO HELP**

Monthly pledge of:  
\_\_ \$25 \_\_ \$50 \_\_ \$75 \_\_ \$100 \_\_ Other

One-time gift this year of \$\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_ Please contact me about helping

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Or Call: (936) 569-8555