

CREW LOVE NEWS

We are organizing a three-day event that uses the energy of teenagers to meet the needs of the elderly and disabled. Student Life, a mission camp, will be held May 30-June 1. The students come to hear speakers on the SFA campus and then use part of the day to physically work to help in the lives of elderly.

We have another group, UM Army, coming in July to do wheelchair ramps and minor carpentry jobs. So if you have a need for something to be done then, please let us know.

There are many parts of the body in Christ and these teens are serving while others can serve by supporting a mission (such as Love INC)-- one can give money or volunteer your time. There is nothing like taking calls and helping individuals that need something. We'd be happy to hear from you. Call 569-8555. *-Dawn Radnitzer*

CAREGIVING

Love in the Name of Christ loves senior adults in several ways. We have some older Neighbors that are served by volunteers who help them with occasional, special needs that they have. We also serve them by helping with projects that are done by work groups who provide such services as building wheelchair ramps, painting their homes, or working in their yards.

Our caregiver program also has caregivers that go into homes of the senior adults and help them with their daily care needs. They prepare meals, give medication reminders, do light housekeeping chores, and help with transportation or errands. Our caregivers treat these wonderful people with great love and respect. With this program in place, senior adults are able to stay in their homes and be cared for there. *-Dawn Radnitzer*

From the DIRECTOR

2006 is the busiest year yet at Love in the Name of Christ. Requests have increased by 25% over last year's busy pace. The staff and present volunteers are very diligent, and yet we receive occasional complaints from people unable to reach us by phone. We have recently added to our telephone capacity, but our biggest need is for more people to come and help.

We now receive a fraction more than twelve new requests per day from our Neighbors. What we need most is several people to come in a morning each week and help receive the requests of FOUR Neighbors in need by phone.

You will talk to them on the telephone, ask them a few important questions about what they need, and write down their responses on one of our forms. Our Clearinghouse Coordinator will provide enough training for you to be comfortable with the process.

Your love and your time will help our community provide the love and care needed by so many people all around us. If you can help these four Neighbors per week by answering their telephone call for help at Love INC, you will be a blessing of the Lord in their lives. *-Roger Aker*

Program notes

Here are some upcoming events that will help link the Body of Christ to our world:

- Women's Lifestyle- **May 23** from 1 PM to 6:30 PM at the University Mall. Look for Love INC's exhibition table.
- Student Life and UM ARMY are painting houses, raking yards, cleaning windows, and building wheelchair ramps for disabled and senior adults. **May 30 – June 1** and **July 17-21**.
- Summer Food Program in the Parks. We need more churches to sign up for one week for activities and feeding prepared food in one of these locations: McCrimmon Park, Banita Park, Pioneer Park , and Briar Forest. **July 17 to August 11**, 10:00 a.m. – 12 p.m. daily. *-Sandra Johnson*

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

May 20, 2006

A LOVE STORY

Throughout our community, people who are living together and sharing household expenses are keeping separate personal budgets. Sometimes housemates barely know each other... other times they are well-acquainted... even family. Love in the Name of Christ is often called by someone in distress when the "other person" has failed in their share of the expenses.

One such recent call was from a mother whose daughter had not fulfilled her share of expenses for two months. But the daughter was too embarrassed to reveal her shortfall until their situation was urgent. Their relationship had become as strained as their budgets.

By working together with a partner church, a loving response was developed. Payment plans were negotiated with creditors and a small, partial amount of financial assistance was given by the church. A Hometown Missionary from the church also met several times with the mother and daughter and helped them merge their budgets and their lives more closely with each other for better benefit to both. The daughter has begun a short-term second job to help them get caught up.

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Treasurer's Report

Gifts from our partner churches were \$3,941.48 in April, above plan by \$608.15. Our Love INC friends have given \$4,210.00, which is above plan by \$43.34. Expenses were below plan by 719.64. The Love Index (number of months of operating funds in reserve) is 9.61. Thank you all so much for your gifts.

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