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LOAVES & FISHES

Newsletter



See the exciting ways that God meets the needs of JCRM and the people who come to us for help! Read on!



Dear friends,
Just because you haven't heard
from us lately doesn't mean you
haven't been in our thoughts.

We regret that we have been unable to put out a newsletter since March. Our reason is that we have been short of funds for this important outreach of the mission.

Even though we have a web site which was prepared without charge by one of our former board members, Noel Luistro, we realize that not all of our readers have internet access. We feel that a newsletter is a personal way of communicating with some people who know about the mission. We have 1,100 copies printed for \$830.00. The printing company deducts \$90.00 of that as a donation so that the final price is \$740.00. If someone in our reading audience would like to help finance this project, please earmark your check for printing. An acknowledgement would be made in the newsletter. This donation is considered tax deductible. Please help us if you can. Also, please pray for us. Have a blessed, healthy and prosperous autumn season.

Mike & Louise
Mike and Louise Sardo, Executive Directors

JANUARY TO JULY 2007

"...for with God all things are possible." Mark 10:27

Food Baskets given.....	1,916
Family members fed from above.....	5,918
Number who were children.....	2,752
Meals served at Mission building.....	1,885
Homeless men staying at mission's Men's Encouragement Center since January 1, 2007.....	25
Families given clothing.....	1,224
Crises phone calls received.....	275
Families given major appliances.....	37
Families given blankets and bedding.....	124
Families given furniture.....	160
Electric fans given.....	42
Heaters given.....	8
Referrals to other agencies (for additional assistance).....	590
Children given free school supplies.....	342
Children sent to Camp Penuel (a free camp for needy children).....	60

Matthew 25:40 (NKJV)

... 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

Would you like to receive our newsletter? Our newsletter comes out 6 times a year (if the finances are available). Call if you are interested, also call if you would like to visit our facility.

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From the Desk of Louise Sardo

Dear Friends,

I have lost a dear friend and so has the Rescue Mission. Her name is Betty Coplin. Betty lived in Festus and became a good friend to both me and the mission. Unfortunately, I only learned of her death after the funeral. Betty helped at the mission in the clothing and the food departments, and wherever she could help. She was friendly, loving and very concerned about the down and out.

If Betty were alive today, she could tell you stories about her survival at Pearl Harbor, stories about how she worked in law enforcement, and stories about the interesting people she had met. Betty was a member of the Light House Baptist Church of Festus and the Ponderosa CB Club.

Betty and I, both having health issues, became walking buddies. As we walked, we talked, cried and laughed together. Betty had an injury which ended her ability to serve as a volunteer here. Time doesn't allow me to tell all of the wonderful things about Betty. I regret not knowing of her death to say goodbye but I know, in Christ, someday we'll both say hello again. The people of the Rescue Mission and I will always have a special place in our hearts for Betty Coplin.



YOUR LEFT-OVER FOOD

We will take any leftovers from your party, wedding, funeral, banquet or other social gathering. We always need prepared food, especially at our Men's Encouragement Center.



MISSION HOURS:

Mon. - Fri. 9:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
Sat. - Sun. 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 a.m.

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Established in 1978, the J.C.R.M. Inc. is a nonprofit arm of the local church, meeting the needs of men, women and children without regard to race, religion or national origin. We provide free clothing, household goods and furniture to needy people in our community, an emergency men's shelter and food for people who are homeless, and direct referrals for health care, housing assistance, job training, substance abuse assistance, mental health care and spiritual guidance. For more information, call (636) 475-3030.

Mission Food Pantry hours and other related services are 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

MEN'S ENCOURAGEMENT CENTER
Open Monday thru Sunday 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.
Men's Bible Study Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.



We would love to have your Church Group, Club or Organization visit our facility. Call Louise (636.475.3030) for a personalized guided tour.

A Memorable Tribute

Consider giving a gift to this ministry in the name of a departed friend or loved one. This lasting memorial gift of remembrance will be acknowledged in the next *Loves and Fishes* newsletter.

Honor a client or family member by giving a gift in their name. All gifts likewise will be listed in the next issue of *Loaves and Fishes*.

Also consider including Jefferson County Rescue Mission, Inc. in your will. Gifts of property, stocks, bonds or a vehicle may also be given. All donations are tax-deductible.

Be assured that whatever you choose to give, it will be used to assist needy and hurting people, and to help carry on the work of the Mission.

Should you need the advice of a certified public accountant or financial investment advisor, please contact us.

The Jefferson County Rescue Mission is a member of the Association of Gospel Missions, an association of World-Wide Rescue Missions providing help to the needy.

■ Do you know someone who would like to receive our newsletter? Let us know. ■

OUR STANDARD POLICY

WE DO NOT SELL ANYTHING AT THE JEFFERSON COUNTY RESCUE MISSION. ALL SERVICES TO THE NEEDY SUCH AS FOOD, CLOTHING FURNITURE, ETC. ARE FREE.