# LOVE Notes

## **OUR MISSION: NOT IMPOSSIBLE**

## MOBILIZING CHURCHES TO TRANSFORM LIVES IN MARION

## Looking for ways to help?

- 1. <u>Volunteer</u> You have gifts and talents that God can use at Love INC. There are opportunities for anyone and everyone. Work in the Clearinghouse or in a GAP ministry or better yet develop a GAP ministry in your church to help those in need.
  - Volunteers are at the very core of Love INC of Marion's mission to mobilize lives and communities in the Name of Christ. Many people will have their lives transformed because of their relationship with you.
- 2. **Pray** One of our core values is prayer. Prayer is an integral part of who we are and what we do. We count on God's power and provision, wisdom and discernment.
- 3. <u>Give</u> Any ministry requires provision and Love INC is no different. Whether you are donating furniture or personal needs or wish to make a monetary gift to the ministry, any donation is viewed as coming from the hand of the Lord, and we use good stewardship principles in sharing your gift.

e are grateful for your service when you volunteer. We cherish your prayers as they make a big difference. And when you give, we consider it a gift from God's hand.

## Together we are the Church unified.

## **COMING EVENTS**

Candy Shack and Love INC are teaming up for a sweet end of summer treat. See insert for details.



Next Restaurant Blitz: Mexican Chipotle's on Tuesday, Nov. 17 – watch your email and upcoming newsletters for details and coupons.

Love INC is joining the digital age! In order to reduce costs, we'd like to send your newsletter electronically in the future. Please send your email address to <a href="mail@loveincmarion.org">mail@loveincmarion.org</a>

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers.

We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

## MINISTRY IN AGTION



## **CLEARINGHOUSE VOLUNTEERS**

Come Join Us and share God's Love!

Listening compassionately, praying, verifying needs and connecting people with the most appropriate resource in the church or community takes place each day from Tuesday to Friday at the Clearinghouse.

Thank you to all our volunteers who help with food banks, Hauling Hope Furniture Ministry, clothing, diapers, personal needs, transportation/gas vouchers, and budget counseling

## TAG DAY - Saturday Aug 8, 2015



Thank you to all those who helped make our TAG Day a great day for sharing information about Love INC and just stopping by to chat and making a donation to Love in the Name of Christ. It was exciting to speak with those who share our passion in offering Hope for Tomorrow through God's Love.



**Thank you** to: Cynthia Byrnes, Rae Maurer, Carolyn Rapp, Gayle Sutherin, Barb Gilliland, Merlyn Winters, Angie Ring, Bob Goyer, Amy Parker and daughter Daphne, Carol Penrod, Steven Litzenberg and Pat Saad.



Love Stories



#### **Rent Paid:**

"Love INC,

Thank you for the help with my rent. It was such a blessing that they have a place like this that can help people in need when you are on a fixed income and when an emergency comes up and causes you to not be able to make ends meet. It means so much for the goodness of agencies like Love INC. Thanks again - it is named correctly Love In The Name Of Christ."

Blessings, Sally

## **Job Opportunity:**

"Dear Staff,

I was a client of yours. God has touched and blessed my life. I'm part of the Experience Works Program. Now, I feel productive and my selfesteem has returned! You are in touch with so many people who might someday need help in life. Thank you again for being there when I needed you most! God bless each of you and Love INC."

Thank you again. Monica

## Core Values of Love In the Name of Christ

There are 10 areas that define what Love INC is and why we are different. They ensure that the integrity of the vision, mission and core values of Love INC is maintained throughout the Movement.

#### **Christian**

Love INC is an explicitly Christian organization and ministry. All staff, board and volunteers of a Love INC affiliate must be professing Christians willing to agree to the Apostles' Creed.

#### Unity

Love INC believes in showing the unity of the Body of Christ to the world through local churches working together to address needs in their community. This unity is about unity of purpose – showing the Love of Christ to a hurting world – not about unity of theology.

#### **Prayer**

One of the most valuable Kingdom resources we have is prayer. Prayer is integral to who we are and permeates everything we do. Nothing should be initiated without praying first.

#### **Churches**

Love INC is a partnership of churches, not a partnership with churches. Love INC does not and cannot exist without the churches of the community being actively involved. Love INC exists to serve the church; the church does not exist to serve Love INC.

### **Ministry Workers**

Just as Love INC cannot exist without local churches, clients cannot be served without church volunteers. Love INC's role is to help churches mobilize their members to live out their faith through service to those in need in their communities.

## Relationships

Love INC is about building relationships with clients and treating them with dignity as creations of God, made in the image of God, and having value and worth to God.

## **Developmental Compassion**

Love INC is not a crisis intervention or disaster relief ministry. Love INC's primary focus is helping the church transform people's lives (physically and spiritually) so they can break the dependency cycle they are in.

## Clearinghouse

Love INC's foundational ministry is the clearinghouse model, where requests for assistance are received, assessed, referred to the most appropriate resource, and followed up on.

#### **Transformation**

Transformation involves both a physical component and a spiritual component. It is not just about changing an individual's or family's physical circumstances, but also about awakening in them (through the Holy Spirit working through Christians) a sense of the depth of their spiritual need for Christ.

#### **Connectedness**

Although a local Love INC affiliate is its own entity (a non-profit organization, governed by its own Board of Directors), it is part of a larger network of Love INC affiliates around the country and around the world that we call the Love INC Movement.

Bob Goyer, Board President Love INC Marion 740 225-9102



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Bob Goyer, Board President

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Hope Club Love INC's Partnership with the Marion Community



Helping Others

Offering Prayer

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By becoming an active member of Love INC's Hope Club, contributions of your time, talents, and financial assistance will help keep Hope alive for the many that are overwhelmed, lost, or need a friend they can count on. Please prayerfully consider becoming a partner of Hope; having Hope is the anchor of the soul.

	Change lives, and Give God the Glory through Jesus Christ.
ish to become a Partner	of Hope with a one-time gift of, or provide a monthly gift of,
or contribute my <b>tim</b>	e and talents
	Please send to Love INC, PO Box 996, Marion, Ohio 43301-0996
Name	Address

Love INC is a non-profit organization; all Gifts are tax deductible







## **COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER FOR**



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## The Candy Shack Cafe

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