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110th Anniversary Banquet

We hope you'll make plans to join us as we celebrate 110 years of ministry! Our annual banquet will be held Friday, October 28th, 6:30 P.M. at the Veterans Memorial Civic Center, Downtown Lima. We're excited to be joined by musical group the Ball Brothers!

About The Ball Brothers

When it comes to the Ball Brothers, forget what you know about other "gospel quartets." Because this unique group stands in stark contrast to many

preconceived notions regarding traditional quartet music, the Ball Brothers have found life "outside of the box." Tenor vocalist, Andrew,

states, "We're a younger group and we're a different kind of group. At first, it was a struggle trying to imitate other groups and fit into the proverbial 'southern gospel mold'. We finally stopped apologizing for what we weren't and have embraced the uniqueness of our God-given voices and harmonies. Since then, our musical horizons have expanded, and our ministry has really taken off."

Since their formation in 2006, the Ball Brothers have rapidly made their mark in Christian music by finding a musical balance between the old and the new. "We've never been to a place where every person in the audience was the same age. On the contrary, most places we go have a mixture of young, middle-aged, and older people. So, our music

style and song selection is based around that blend. It's great to see a grandmother and granddaughter worshipping together and enjoying the same music. We get to see that on a regular basis," says lead vocalist, Daniel.

What can someone expect when they hear the Ball Brothers? A mix of musical styles, melted together by tight, four-part harmony. Each song is hand-picked to be message-driven, and theologically sound. Their

goal is to spread the message of the Gospel and encourage believers.

Event Details

Our banquet provides a time of fellowship with

supporters and is an opportunity to raise funds in support of our daily ministry. If you've never been to one of our banquets, we hope you'll consider attending this year! Be sure to invite friends, family or co-workers to introduce them to the ministry of Lima Rescue Mission.

Tickets are free and are required for admission; an offering will be taken at the end of the evening. When you request a ticket, a dinner will be ordered for you, so please notify us if you are unable to attend.

If you're interested in reserved seating, you can sponsor a table with a gift of \$250. Each table seats eight.

Be sure to request your tickets now! We look forward to seeing you Friday, October 28th.



Meal ministry

Feeding the poor is an important part of what we do, and we're thankful for everyone who takes part in our daily meal ministry. Those who join us in this ministry are excited to serve, and we're encouraged by their heart of service and generous giving of time and resources to help others.

Would your group, church or family be interested in providing and serving a meal, or serving a meal prepared by us? This is a great way to have an impact on those we serve and become actively involved in Mission ministry. We would be happy to meet with you to give you a tour of our kitchen facilities and discuss opportunities in more detail. If you're interested, you can contact Chuck Ferguson at 419-224-6961 ext. 201, or e-mail cferguson@limamission.org. We look forward to having you join us!

Video coming soon

A video that tells the story of our ministry is currently in production. It will include interviews from staff and board members, volunteers, guests, and supporters. The video will be 5-7 minutes long, with a shorter 90-second version also available. You can help tell our story by sharing this video with your church or group! We'll have more information as soon as it is released.

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Memorials

The Lima Rescue Mission would like to thank everyone who recently contributed in memory of the following individuals:

Frances Fritsche
Deborah Hadding
Virginia Ley
Shirley Skelly
Carolyn M. Wolfe

Stories of hope

While an increase in the number of people we serve can be challenging at times, we see it as additional opportunities to share God's Word.

"D" recently came to the Mission after being released from the hospital. He stayed for two weeks and during that time attended Bible studies and chapel services. Through those times his eyes were opened and he re-dedicated his life to God. His desire is to live differently and trust the Lord for his future.

"T" had been in and out of the Mission a few times. Not long ago, he came back to visit staff and thank them for their help. He was able to purchase a newer car, and is working toward buying a house.

Those are just two recent examples of people who not only received help but made positive life changes after their time at the Mission. Your generous support makes it possible to help others in their time of need!



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News and notes

We would like to welcome two staff members who joined the Mission this year.

Jerry Stricker is a Service Coordinator and is involved in various aspects of the men's ministry. He completes daily donation pickups, coordinates laundry for the overnight dorm, coordinates supper and evening service/check-in activities in rotation with other staff, and holds a weekly class called Biblical Recovery.

Erika Plescher is our cook, and is responsible for the planning and preparation of daily meals, as well as cleaning and organizing food storage areas. We are blessed with so much donated food that we rarely need to purchase any, although combining various food donations to create

a meal that serves 40-50 each night can be a challenge. Cooking at the Mission is a unique experience.

Welcome Jerry and Erika to our ministry family, and thank you for your service!

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Our overnight dorm has recently been full again, and on some nights we have to open an additional room to accommodate more men. Unfortunately this has been happening more frequently over the past couple of years. Please pray that we will be able to effectively help everyone who turns to us for help. We appreciate your continued financial support, especially as expenses increase with more people at the Mission.

Purpose, vision and values

In today's world, it is more important than ever to have established principles that guide our decision making. In addition to our statement of faith, our purpose, vision and values provide important grounding for our ongoing ministry activities.

Our Purpose

The purpose of the Lima Rescue Mission is to glorify God by sharing His love with people in need through Christ-centered programs and services.

Our Vision

To see the lives of everyone we serve transformed, helping them to become independent and productive members of society by providing for their spiritual, physical and emotional needs.

Our Values

- We believe the Gospel of Jesus Christ transforms lives.
- We believe that homelessness may be a symptom of deeper spiritual issues.
- We will provide a safe and secure environment which promotes healing and recovery.
- We will be financially responsible with the resources entrusted to us.
- We will continually evaluate and improve programs and services, operational procedures and overall effectiveness.
- We will keep Christ at the center of all that we do.

"For we have regard for what is honorable, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men."

- 2 Corinthians 8:21