

December ministry update

Nearly everyone has been affected in some way by the events of this year. Here at the Mission, we've been taking extra precautions since early March, but we can't stop what we're doing. Our daily ministry to the poor and homeless has continued throughout the year.

Our focus remains the same—to provide individual care to those who are facing a time of crisis. Although faced with extra work, our staff remain committed to the individual care and attention that

we know is so important to truly helping others.

Although we have made some adjustments to the way we serve, we continue providing meals and shelter every day. We've been well stocked with supplies, and there has been a small increase in financial support this year to date. Thank you so much for remembering the Mission and for your generous support.

We appreciate your continued prayers for our staff and those we serve every day.

Jesus saves

Most people are familiar with the sign at the corner of our building. Fewer may know that there is another sign located at the top of the west side of our building—a small sign with two words: Jesus Saves. However, we do know that it is seen, and that it has had an impact—something confirmed by a man who recently came to us in need of a place to stay.

This person had been living out of state and ended up going through a divorce. He came back to the area to reunite with family. He was aware of an outstanding warrant, so he turned himself



in. While in jail, he saw the sign on our building that says, "Jesus Saves," and knew he could come here for help. He now has a job and is working on moving into our transitional housing.

We're thankful for the opportunities not only to provide physical care in a time of need, but to share with everyone the good news that Jesus Saves!

Current needs

Donating items from our needs list is a great way to make a difference in the lives of the poor and homeless, and anyone can get involved by collecting these items. The best time to bring donations to the Mission is on weekdays from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. or weekends from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Our current needs include a variety of items to be used in our daily ministry:

- Bleach
- Dryer sheets
- Toiletry kits
- Facial tissue
- Paper towels
- Napkins
- Disposable cutlery
- Instant potatoes
- Cream soups
- Beef/chicken broth
- Canned meat
- Canned vegetables, pork & beans, sauerkraut
(Large #10 cans preferred)

A complete and up-to-date list can be found on our website at www.limamission.org under the menu item "How to Help". The list on our website includes a link to our charity list on Amazon where you can order items and have them shipped directly to us.

Important Note

Wayne Street has been converted to two-way traffic. If you would like stop in front of our building to drop off items, you will need to approach from the west. The intersection of Wayne and Central is now a four-way stop.



*Today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior,
who is Christ the Lord. —Luke 2:11*

Memorials

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

Joe Alexander, Jr.
Armond Arnold
Brandon Basinger
James Brown
Cathryn Cox
Betty Dahlke
Lorene Fox
Timothy Goedde
Donna Lou Hixenbaugh
Sandra Horne
Charles Irvin
Paul Jackson
Mary Lutz
George McGuire
Elaine Mikesell
Roland Orndoff
Don Staver
Paul Werner

Automatic giving

Automatic monthly giving has become increasingly popular, and it's easier than ever to sign up. You can set up a gift through our website: just visit www.limamission.org, follow the donate link, choose "monthly" and enter your payment information. You can also request a form and sign up by mail.

You can contact us any time if you need to discontinue or make changes to your automatic monthly gift.



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CARES Act and your contributions

As part of the CARES Act that was signed into law earlier this year, individuals who do not normally itemize deductions may deduct up to \$300 in charitable cash contributions. This universal charitable deduction is an above-the-line deduction and is deducted from the taxpayer's income prior to the calculation of adjusted gross income. This deduction is in addition to the standard deduction.

Lima Rescue Mission is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and your contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law.

We are also accredited by the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA). As

a member, we must faithfully demonstrate compliance with established standards for financial accountability, transparency, ethical fundraising and sound board governance.

The Mission is a faith-based organization. All funding comes directly from individuals, businesses, churches and other organizations who want to be involved in helping the homeless and less fortunate in our community. We do not receive any funding from the government or other agencies. Your support allows this ministry to continue, and we are thankful for faithful friends who join us in caring for the needs of others.

Celebrating 114 years of ministry

November 1, 2020, marked our 114th year of ministry, and although we did not hold a banquet this year, it's important to recognize this milestone and give thanks and glory to God for His faithfulness and blessings over the years.

For us, this is a time of reflection as we recognize all that God has accomplished and the lives that have been impacted through the work of His faithful servants.

It's also a time of celebration and praise. We give thanks for another year of provision for the resources and strength to carry on through all seasons of ministry. We give praise for the opportunity to reach others with the

message of God's love and we lift these individuals in prayer as they continue on their journey.

Finally, it's a time to renew our commitment to our call to serve others. We celebrate our rich history while keeping our focus on helping others now. There's more work to be done. As long as people need to experience the love of Jesus, we will be here to share the gospel message, and to encourage, support, and equip others in their walk.

Thank you so much for your role in allowing this ministry to continue every day. We're blessed by the heartfelt, faithful support of our friends throughout the past 114 years.

Leaving a Legacy

We're thankful for friends who have made arrangements for a gift after their passing. Legacy gifts help provide financial stability and allow for ministry expansion and special projects.

There are several options for making a legacy gift, including a fixed amount or percentage listed in your will, a payable on death account, an IRA, life insurance policy, or other options. Your attorney or financial advisor will be able to help arrange the best option for you.

Thank you for considering a gift that will leave a legacy!