

Mission Messenger

Celebrating 116 years of ministry

On Friday, November 11, we gathered to celebrate 116 years of ministry. Thank you to everyone who attended this year's anniversary banquet! We were blessed by the music of Redeemed Quartet, and we enjoyed our time of fellowship—it was encouraging to see so many of you this year.

Testimony

At our banquet, we heard from Howard and learned more about his time at the Mission. The environment that Howard came from was not good, with drug and alcohol use taking place around him. When the person Howard was living with lost their apartment, he had nowhere to go—but that struggle turned out to be a blessing. Howard came to the Mission, and during one of our chapel services he heard the gospel and was saved. We saw a

change in Howard's attitude and outlook on life. He began working for us part-time, helping serve breakfast and doing some janitor work.

Howard doesn't have any family around, and he says that we are his family now. We are so thankful for your support which allows us to help people like Howard every day.

Thank you

We appreciate all of the generous sponsors who made this year's banquet possible. We

received many comments about how much people enjoyed the event. In addition to a time of fellowship, the banquet is a fundraiser for our daily ministry, and we are thankful for everyone who gave generously!

There were a number of people in attendance who were invited by others—we appreciate those who invited guests and we encourage others to do the same! Our banquet is a great opportunity to introduce people to the work of the Mission.

A history of caring—continued

In our 116 years of ministry, there have been many families who have remained involved through multiple generations.

We have heard from donors who started giving because their grandparents or parents gave and they know how much the ministry meant to them. We've

also heard from older adults who recall coming to the Mission with their family or church to hold services when they were younger.

We're thankful for all the families who have supported Lima Rescue Mission over the years; this continuity has been a tremendous blessing.

If you are the first in your family to support the Mission, we hope you will pass on the tradition of giving, ensuring that the ministry will be equipped to care for those in need for generations to come.



Redeemed Quartet at this year's banquet

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
- Cereal
- Quick oats, grits, Cream of Wheat
- Instant coffee
- #10 cans of vegetables, sauerkraut, pork and beans
- New towels and washcloths
- Facial tissues
- Cough drops
- Cold medicine (tablets or capsules)
- Twin-blade razors
- Shaving cream
- Bar soap
- Body wash/3-in-1 soap

You can also find a complete and up-to-date list on our website at limamission.org under the "How to Help" menu. Thank you for giving!

"For today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

—Luke 2:11

Memorials

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

Meg Kiracofe
Carol Mumaugh
Dr. Gregory Seller
Dillon Staas, Jr.
Bob Wise

You can join our e-mail update list to receive the most current ministry news. To sign up, visit limamission.org/eupdate

Volunteer opportunity

Would your church, business, family, or other group be interested in joining us to serve meals? This activity is ideal for a group of at least two and up to seven people and is a great way to get involved in hands-on ministry to the homeless. We provide meals every day, and the time of serving and cleanup runs from 4:30–6:00 P.M. You can join us to serve as a one-time activity, or get scheduled to serve on a monthly basis. We are also looking for groups who are interested in providing meals!

If you would like to get involved in this ministry, please contact Chuck at 567-242-5601, or email cferguson@limamission.org.



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Year-end giving information

We are so thankful for everyone who has generously supported the ministry of Lima Rescue Mission throughout this year. As we approach the end of 2022, we want to let you know about current opportunities for giving.

When making certain types of gifts, we are occasionally asked for our EIN, which is 34-4474977. Lima Rescue Mission is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and documentation is available on our website.

Gifts of Stock

We can accept gifts of appreciated securities, and by donating directly to us instead of selling, you will avoid capital gains tax. If you are interested in donating stock, please contact us and we will provide the information needed to make a transfer to our account.

Join our ministry team

We still have multiple openings for paid ministry positions. These include:

- Service Coordinator
- Maintenance Technician
- Cook
- Children's Ministry Coordinator
- Camp Counselor

We see all opportunities not as jobs, but as ministry. When you join our ministry team, you are making a lasting investment in the lives of people in need—your interaction with others may have an eternal impact! Although there may be challenges, the work you do is vital. We have been con-

Prayer partners

We are grateful for those who take time to pray for our ministry. Please continue to pray that the hearts of those we serve will be open to the truth as the gospel is proclaimed, and that those who are saved will be encouraged and strengthened as they grow in Christ. If you have a prayer request, please feel free to share it with us and our staff will be happy to pray for you.

IRA Distributions

You might reduce your tax bill by making a distribution from your IRA to the Mission. This can satisfy the required minimum distribution while not resulting in taxable income. It's effectively another way to qualify for a charitable tax benefit, whether you itemize on your taxes or not.

Gift Timing

To ensure your gift is credited for 2022, please deliver to our office by Friday, December 30, or mail by December 31. If mailing a gift, please send as early as possible to allow time for processing. You may also donate via our website at give.limamission.org, which includes an option to set up automatic monthly giving.

Thank you again for your support this year!

tacted many times over the years by people who tell us how the Mission helped them in a time of crisis. By committing to this ministry, you are answering God's call to proclaim the gospel.

Please visit our website at limamission.org/ministry-team for complete job descriptions and an employment application, or contact us to have this information mailed to you. We have brochures available that describe both men's and children's ministry opportunities, and we would be happy to provide them to anyone who is interested in learning more or sharing with others.