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## Camp Roberts 2019 Summary

We're thankful for your generous support that allowed another summer of ministry to at-risk youth at Camp Roberts. We know that this ministry has an impact even beyond the time that children spend at camp.

We appreciate our camp staff and their hard work and dedication! Here is just one example of a child impacted by the ministry of Camp Roberts.

### From Rebekah C.

This is the story of one boy who attended camp for a week this past summer. When he came the first day, he acted like he didn't want to be there. He spoke with a

low, intimidating voice, and would not listen at all. He wouldn't acknowledge us, and had a terrible attitude. The situation seemed hopeless. The counselors were persistent in trying to discourage his bad behavior, but they were more persistent in caring for him.

Throughout the week he started to let down his guard, and was enjoying his time at camp. One day on the van ride home, he excitedly asked if he could come back for another week of camp. I was happy that we were able to provide a safe place for him this summer.

## 113th Anniversary Banquet

We hope you'll make plans to join us as we celebrate 113 years of ministry! Our annual banquet will be held Friday, November 1st, 6:30 P.M. at the Veterans Memorial Civic Center, Downtown Lima. Joining us again this year is musical group Soul'd Out Quartet.

### About Soul'd Out Quartet

In May of 2004, in answer to God's call on his life, Matt Rankin of Georgetown, Ohio started a journey to find men of kindred spirits and equal yoking to partner with him in a mission to fulfill that calling by evangelizing God's word through song. Soul'd Out Quartet is not only a vocal group continuing the heritage of Southern Gospel music, but is also and foremost a ministry team.

Soul'd Out Quartet travels the country with a mission of evangelism and discipleship, and to further strengthen and encour-

age God's people to be the ambassadors for Christ that we are each called to be.

### 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.

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 cannot guarantee ticket availability closer to the event.

## Building repairs

A project is now underway to make necessary repairs to the exterior of our building. This includes repairing mortar joints, replacing any broken bricks, replacing or repairing steel lintels, and cleaning and sealing the entire exterior. These repairs will ensure that our building remains safe and structurally sound.

Thank you to everyone who has given generously to this project! Your donations ensure that the project is funded without the need to use savings. You may still designate gifts for building repairs. To view project updates and fundraising progress, visit [www.limamission.org/building](http://www.limamission.org/building).



Soul'd Out Quartet

113th Anniversary Banquet  
Friday, November 1, 6:30 PM

General admission tickets are free; sponsored tables are available for \$250.

Request tickets at  
[limamission.org/banquet](http://limamission.org/banquet)  
or call 419-224-6961.

## Memorials

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

Margaret Layman Buckles  
Marjorie Hanthorn  
Warren Joseph  
Sandy Rufener  
Fay Stephens  
Richard M. Zirkle

## Legacy giving

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!

## Meal ministry

Joining our meal ministry is a great way to have an impact on those we serve and become actively involved in Mission ministry. We would be happy to discuss opportunities in more detail. If you're interested in serving, contact Chuck Ferguson at 419-224-6961 ext. 201, or e-mail [cferguson@limamission.org](mailto:cferguson@limamission.org).



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## Clouds...and Sunshine

*By Ruthela Welty, originally published October 1957.*

The dreary, rainy September morning brought forth the comment, "Such a gloomy day!" A guest in the home came back with this reply, "Yes, but the sun is shining just as brightly as ever—we just can't see it for the clouds." This thought made the rest of the day seem brighter and more cheerful, as we remembered that the sun really was shining, even though the clouds obscured it from our view.

There are times when the clouds come into our spiritual lives, too, and the outlook is dark and dreary. We lose sight of the fact that God considers His children the "apple of His eye," and that He allows nothing to come into our lives except that which will make us sweeter, stronger, Christians. The clouds of doubt and despair dim our eyes. Uncon-

genial associates, unpleasant circumstances make us forget that the "sun of Righteousness" is still there, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever."

The gloom of sorrow and suffering settles down upon us, and we forget that God has promised to be with us, not only when the way is smooth and the sun is shining, but when the path is rough and unpleasant, as well.

Those, who in these days take the wings of modern aircraft and mount up into the skies, know the secret of climbing high to rise above a storm and the clouds to the sun-bathed heights. This, too, is our privilege in the spiritual realm. When the clouds obscure our vision of God's love, let us in prayer rise to the heights where we can once again have fellowship with Him, and we will find peace in spite of the storm raging below us.

## 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
- Laundry detergent
- Dryer sheets
- Small tubes of toothpaste
- Ibuprofen
- Sugar
- Pre-filled salt and pepper shakers
- Hot sauce
- Instant coffee

## Around the mission

Every day brings new opportunities to reach those who are lost and hurting. Some are here for a short time before finding a job and housing, as was the case with one individual recently. Others may be here longer and take advantage of our transitional housing, which is true of one man who recently came back to thank us and gave an update—he is preparing to make a down payment on a house.

Those are just two examples of what takes place through the ministry of Lima Rescue Mission because of your support. Thank you for making it possible to reach others in a time of need!