

LOVE LETTER

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Special points of interest:

- * Emmanuel Project 2011
- * Current Events

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FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

HOW MUCH DO WE LOVE GOD?

There are so many times we take God for granted when we should be seeking His guidance on a daily basis. God is constantly supplying our needs. We have a warm place to live, clothes on our backs, food on our tables. etc.

There is a growing number of people in our community that don't have such needs being met. It is very important that we Christians not be judgmental towards these people. God loves them as much as he loves us.

What would you do or how would you feel if you were suddenly forced into being homeless and not having food or a place to sleep? Would you feel like you could turn to someone for help? Some of you may say yes, but I'm sure it would not be easy.

Love INC is the "someone" that people can turn to when they are in a crisis. We have ministries from various churches that we utilize and I'm certain there are many others that we don't know about. God has been good in giving us these resources to help people.

However, in order for Love INC to continue to provide assistance to the families in need, we have a need for additional monetary donations. There are many of you who are faithful donors and for that we praise God! Are you one of those faithful ones? If you aren't, you can always start.

It is my hope and prayer that you will prayerfully consider giving to your neighbors in need. You will be greatly blessed!

Claudia J. Karges
Executive Director

"There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be open-handed toward your brothers and toward the poor and needy in your land."

Deuteronomy 15: 11





FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Bank Balance—1/31	2011	2012	
General Fund	\$24,437.41	\$11,860.04	-51.47%
FAF Fund	\$1,252.98	\$1,538.56	22.79%
TOTAL	\$25,690.39	\$13,398.60	-47.855%

UPDATE FOURTH QUARTER SERVICES GIVEN 2011

GAS	CLOTHES	HAIRCUTS	DIAPERS	FOOD	MEDICINE	FURNITURE	RENT, UTILITIES, ETC.
\$420	\$135	\$0	\$198	\$3,550	\$947	\$2,170	\$2,624
20 families	5 families	0 families	13 families	39 families	14 families	27 families	25 families

EMMANUEL PROJECT UPDATE!!

As in years past, the Emmanuel Project was a huge success! We had 513 children signed up to receive Christmas presents and all of them were sponsored before Thanksgiving. This shows that there are a lot of hurting families in our county AND without the love of the sponsors, these children wouldn't have received any presents for Christmas.

We would like to express our appreciation to all the sponsors who helped make this project the success it was!

If you were not able to be a sponsor this year and would like to be one for 2012, keep your eyes on our newsletters and website as we will be posting dates to sign up.

May God bless each and everyone of you!

The Staff of Love INC





FROM THE DESK OF THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Update of the Love, INC Jubilee Ministry

Another family completed a one year contract in the Matthew House at the Church of God. This program is based on Matthew 7:24, which says, "Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock." The program requires a one hour per week Bible Study, the assignment of a mentor one hour every two weeks or as needed, and a one year contract of \$50.00 per month. This fee accumulates and is returned to the family when they complete the program and leave the house as they found it, with the exception of normal wear.

This family was able to pay off their debts, and have some savings, plus the money that will be refunded.

If they will continue to apply what they were taught, they have a good opportunity to get ahead, and stay out of debt, at least excessive debt.

Two of our present clients will be the next family in a Matthew House.

Gene Bluhm, our Bible Study leader, is having a great time with our Jubilee clients with 6 in attendance at this time. Recently one of the clients accepted the Lord. All are enjoying and participating in the study, and showing growth as they meet together.

We have 4 mentors working with clients. I would like to express my gratitude for their dedication, skill and caring work as they faithfully serve their Lord, sacrificing time, resources

and contributing in many ways to the growth of their clients.

Love, INC would like to express our thanks to the Church of God for their generous provisions of a Matthew House and the many other ways that they contribute to the ministry of Love, INC.

Also, thanks to the Union Chapel United Methodist Church for their generous provisions of a Matthew House that will be utilized by our next family.

We are grateful for the generosity, flexibility, and willingness of both churches and look forward to a long and lasting relationship.

John Follett

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11

"Then Jesus said to his host, 'When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'"

Luke 14: 12-14

Annual Meeting of Celebration

WHEN: Tuesday, March 13, 2012
 5:45 pm for the meal
 6:30 pm for the program

WHERE: The Bridge Community Church
 1403 Winchester Road
 Decatur, IN

WHY: To celebrate God's goodness!

Upcoming Events

Clothe-A-Kid for School Project

Love INC will once again do the Clothe-A-Kid for School Project. Watch the website and the next newsletter for information.





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Love INC of Adams County needs your financial support to continue...

As a 501(c)3 Christian organization, we are dependent upon the individuals, churches, organizations, and businesses within Adams County to keep going. Love INC receives no government funding! **We need your support.**

Just a reminder, Financial gifts are tax deductible. Moreover, 100% of contributions are spent in Adams County.

Partner with us, will you? We will be encouraged in the Lord as you pray and give. **Thanks for your support.**

AS THE ECONOMY CHANGES, MORE NEEDS ARE ARISING!

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