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In God's Hands

Change Brings Challenges

As some of you may know, this year has been full of challenges for us here at the Mission. With the Mission flooding back in January, the challenges of repairs while continuing to serve hot meals & hand out clothing behind our building during the winter's wet & cold months, was quite a journey. But through it all, God carried us and made things better than before. He touched hearts inside and outside our community. "I'm always in awe of how God prompts people to show up at the right time or to give just the right amount of funds that were needed for something right then," says Interim Executive Director Janet Anderson. "But even more than that, I love seeing God move in people's hearts. We can't thank you enough to all who stepped up to help us!!!"

Our former Executive Director, Tricia Ziese, who stepped down for personal family reasons from her role at the Mission in June earlier this year, has prompted others to step up. God used Tricia in so many wonderful ways as she helped the Mission grow and see the possibilities of reaching out into the community more and building relationships. Her kind and caring heart lead many to want to know more about and grow in Christ's love. She is very much missed and we hope that God will bring her back to the Mission in whatever role He leads her, someday.

Although it will be difficult to fill the shoes Tricia wore, the Mission is currently seeking a new Executive Director. The Director's position is a full-time position for someone that has a focus on Jesus and God's will, have a heart for people, and has the business knowledge to help lead the Mission in the direction that God is leading us. The candidate for Director should also be able to help find and/or write grants, attend a variety of city, county, & other meetings, go to churches to talk about what we do and why we need their help, understand finances, and above all, loves God. If you know someone or think you might be that person, please send your resume to the Mission. Please call 360-996-4474 with any questions.



Pantry Shortage

The Mission is a place that not only serves hot meals, but also has a small food pantry. Our guests can get the equivalent of a single meal to take with them since the Mission is not open for serving the dinner meal. Right now, our pantry is pretty bare. If you can help fill our pantry and fulfill some of the needs we are facing, it would be so much appreciated. We are in desperate need of protein items like cans of tuna, chicken, beef, or peanut butter. More options include cans of soup (best with pop-tops), cups of soup, single serve fruit cups, individual packets of oatmeal, protein drinks, soft breakfast bars, pop-tarts, and cases of water.

We are also in need of large cans of coffee (we go through about 1 or more per day), and other cold weather drinks such as hot chocolate, teas, and hot cider packets. Muffins or other breakfast pastries are also considered a huge blessing.

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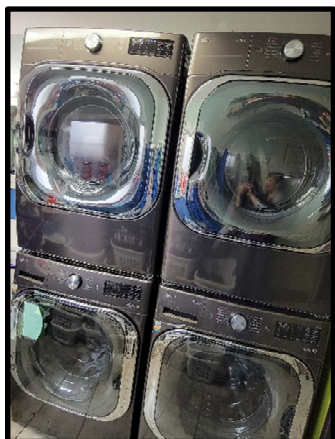
Thank you to our friends at **Twin Cities Rotary** for blessing LCGM with almost \$8000 to help with some items that had not yet been replaced from the flood. Thank you for answering our prayers as we continue to repair/recover from the flood!



“Baby, It’s Cold Outside....” For Our Homeless Friends This Winter

We can’t imagine a more challenging time to live without shelter than during the cold & wet winter months. Unfortunately, this is a terrifying reality for many residents in our community and their only option is to hunker down as best as they can during the winter season.

The Lewis County Gospel Mission does provide a safe place for our homeless friends to sit in a warm building, break bread with a hot meal and coffee, get a shower, and perhaps receive some items like a **coat, pair of gloves, a sleeping bag, maybe a tent, a blanket, and some hand warmers.** We know it’s these little things that mean so much to those struggling out in the cold. With the Mission’s limited resources, we humbly are asking if you can please help. **Will you help us provide more of these needed items to our guests in need?**



A huge **“Thank You!”** to **Lewis County Public Health** for the grant that allowed the Mission to get 2 sets of washers & dryers! This is a wonderful blessing!



Would you prayerfully consider donating to LCGM? Donations may be made by the following:
Regular mail at: PO Box 631, Chehalis, WA 98532 * Online at: lewiscountygospelmission.org
In-person at: 72 SW Chehalis Ave., Chehalis, Washington 98532

Become a Gospel Mission Sponsor

If God has been pulling at you, while you are in your quiet time, to do more for those less fortunate than yourselves, or He’s blessed you abundantly and you want to be a good steward, please consider using your earthly treasure to help the Mission help our friends in need.

On average, it takes **over \$650** to keep the Mission operating and being the hands and feet of Jesus for **1 full day**. Sponsor a day, a week, or generously sponsor a month. Whatever God is asking of you in the depths of your heart, we remain faithful in knowing that He will see us through.

Matthew 25:34-36 *‘Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 35 for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; 36 I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.’*

Join the LCGM Team: Accepting New Volunteers!



Do you have a heart for Jesus and for serving those who are in need? If so, we’d love to have you join our team! The Mission is open every day of the year, and there are **MANY** different ways for you to serve. Come stop by our office and fill out a volunteer application and see how you can literally change lives within our community. There is a homeless and hurting friend at the Mission that is in need of YOUR love and time!!!