



# Christian Caring Center-Pemberton, Inc

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## Monthly Newsletter

### FROM YOUR DIRECTOR

**Habakkuk 2:3** “For the vision is yet for an appointed time; but at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.”

**Isaiah 64:8** “But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You our potter; and we all are the work of Your hand.”

In this time of the New Year, I have been praying for the Lord's vision for my personal life, family and the Christian Caring Center. I am convinced that God wants to develop a deeper fellowship in me and in you today so we can live up with our design in the future. I was brought back to Abraham's encounter with God and his immediate obedience. I believe the purpose for Abraham's encounter was to develop four things in Abraham. (1) To develop fellowship and intimacy with God. By Abraham's immediate obedience to go to a place where he didn't even know where he was going was evidence of his faith and trust in God. I believe God could see that He could trust Abraham. (2) To bring to an end the period of waiting for a son. God came with a “Let there be” word. (3) To develop the link between the Father of one and the Father of many. There is a link to the prophetic future to Abraham's significant present. (4) Bringing Abraham from the now to become that future man of destiny. After praying about all of this I am convinced that we are all in “Training for Reigning”. Whatever sphere I am in, you are in, my clients are in, and all of our futures, our family's future, our ministries futures, and even the world's future are in training! Wherever you are now is your authority, your command post, your maturity and growth. We have to learn how to reign with God in THAT PLACE in order to go the next. All success is backward. You

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have to have a vision of yourself successful. An Olympic contestant sees themselves with a gold medal and then they figure out how to get it. Donald Trump saw himself with many businesses and developed a plan to get there-it's called a critical path analysis. God will open up doors of opportunities, relationships and authority. When God sees us, He sees the finished product not just where we are now. God throws us into the deep end confident that if we can't swim, we'll at least float. When we start to see what God has for us and how God sees us, everyone in our sphere will be affected. Not just you and your family, but everyone you are connected with. My vision for this coming year is that I will begin to love God with more intimacy and develop my relationship deeper with Him, so that everyone that comes into contact with me will know Him! Nothing else matters and everything else will go according to the plan that He has for me, my family, and my ministry. I want everyone that I come into contact with to know Jesus and to know His will and that kingdom on earth will come--Hallelujah! My calling this year for my clients, volunteers, staff and church is: (1) to help them develop a deeper fellowship with Jesus. (2) To have them see themselves as God sees them and to help them come into that vision and plan for their lives. Pemberton Township, Burlington County, the State of New Jersey will never be the same--Praise God!-when people see themselves as God sees them and turn their heart and trust to Him.

*Thank you for all your support, financial contributions, prayers, donations, etc. We couldn't do it without you!*

Abiding in Him,

Madelyn C. Mears-Sheldon

## **EMERGENCY FOOD PROGRAM**

The Lord through the Christian Caring Center helped 292 Families or 939 individuals with 9,223 meals, \$6,230 Clothing vouchers, and 10 surrendered their lives to Jesus in the month of December, 2007. (Please note we were closed for the Christmas Holiday from 12/19-12/26/07).

## **COMMUNITY LUNCH/RURAL HOMELESS PROGRAM**

The Lord through the Christian Caring Center served 1,162 hot cooked lunch and continental breakfasts in the month of December, 2007. We also go out to the woods on Wednesday and Friday to deliver lunch and outreach to the homeless, alcoholic, addicted men, women and sometimes teens. We also take out other professionals from mental health organizations like Drenk, Family Service and other outreach people from organizations like Crossroads, Inc. (youth run away shelter) as they volunteer. On the second Wednesday of every month we have a mobile clinic, Good Sheppard Clinic come down to the Christian Caring Center parking lot. All medical and dental services are absolutely free along with the prayers of the missionary Drs. Charles and Grace Cho and their volunteers. We all try and outreach to these homeless individuals to get them the help they need to come out of this hopeless circumstance. There is always hope with JESUS!

## **JACK STELLE MEN'S EMERGENCY SHELTER PROGRAM (JESMS)**

Our men, Girard, Bill, Elijah, JR, and Ricky all are working at the Christian Caring Center and attending Bible study, church, some go to the 449 Club for AA and NA meetings also. JR is now working at McDonald's full time-PTL! Elijah has moved into his own apartment-PTL!! Please continue to pray for them as God is restoring them.

## **CHRISTMAS BASKETS**

We were able to distribute Christmas Baskets to 564 households. We also were able to give out two gifts per child and one warm item along with hats and

gloves to each one. We did receive enough donations this year to include gift cards for turkeys or hams and we believe "God to supply all our needs according to His riches in Glory." Thank you so much for responding to the call of God for others! We are beginning to prepare for Easter Resurrection Baskets. They will be coming **EARLY** this year **IN MARCH**. If you would like to help us or your church needs more information, please contact us at the above address or call between 10 AM – 3 PM, Monday thru Saturday, 609-893-0700.

## **SALVATION ARMY SERVICE UNIT**

The Lord through the Salvation Army helped 16 households with 17 nights of lodging, 5 prescriptions, and 6 utilities with \$1,483.91. The Christian Caring Center serves as a volunteer service unit for the Salvation Army. All funds donated go directly to the client's needs.

## **UTILITY AND HEATING COST NEEDS**

Please pray for more assistance in the area for utility/heating costs. There is very little funding in this area and the costs are sky rocketing as you know. We have had about 10 requests a day that we just don't know how to help.

## **25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**Mark your calendars! We have set the date for our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. It will be on Saturday, April 26, 2008. This will be a celebration to bring Glory to God for 25 years of ministry. If you would like to serve on the planning committee, please let us know. If you would like information about being a table captain please let us know. Our goal is to have a full table from every supporting church and all our individual donors who share in our ministry.**