



NEWSLETTER

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A Message from our Executive Director

Filling in the gap. "My car won't start." "I have a new apartment, but no place to sit." "After my surgery, I was not able to gather firewood. Can you help?" The Connection Center receives requests like these on a daily basis. Through conversations with neighbors, we are able to



identify "gaps" in services and resources. Love INC helps churches with a desire and the means to build specific ministries to "fill the gap." The role of Love INC is not to replace the Church, but to help churches distribute their skills, gifts, resources, and love to neighbors in need...In the Name of Christ. This newsletter is dedicated to three Gap Ministries Love INC offers our neighbors: Automotive, Firewood & Furniture. We are anticipating three additional Gap ministries before the end of the year. In Matthew 9:37 & 38 Jesus looks at a crowd of hopeless people who had gathered just to see Jesus. With great compassion, He says to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Could it be that we are the answer to His prayer?

Lisa Goodman

Recently, Darcie, a Love INC volunteer who attends Libby Baptist Church, caught up with our Gap Ministry coordinators to learn more about how they got involved in serving, and to ask how they they have seen God at work.



If you make Troy your home, you've no doubt visited with David Beckingham and his wife, Cheryl. David's life completely transformed when he surrendered to Jesus Christ. With over 50 years of heavy equipment experience, David's passion is to serve God and help others with car repairs and oil changes. David shared how there have been times God has guided him to problem he was not aware of that could

have resulted in major repair. David is blessed by other Troy Christian Fellowship friends and volunteers who work along side him. The **Automotive Gap** ministry hosts a monthly Car clinic at partner churches each month. Oil changes & safety checks are offered through the Connection Center. "Praise the Lord!"

Our Mission

To mobilize local churches to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ.

Our Vision

To see the Christian churches united in purpose and fully engaged in actively living out their faith by lovingly serving people in need in their communities.

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Larry Rowden, and his wife Beth, are faithful followers of Jesus who attend Libby Assembly of God. One day his pastor, Kevin Lindgren, approached him with a great idea! "You would be the perfect person to run the **Firewood Gap** ministry for Love INC." Larry said yes, and the rest is history. Larry sees God at work through the connections he makes with people in need of firewood. Last winter a load of firewood was picked up by a young lady and her daughter. As a result, the daughter attended an upcoming retreat at the church. This spring, someone dropped off 4 loads of firewood for Love INC. "What a praise!" Larry says he needs help and is eager for others to join him in this very important ministry.



When Lois Thatcher started attending Libby Church of God, her new pastor, Rich Cloyd, saw potential! Lois attended a Love INC Volunteer Orientation and felt lead to coordinate our **Furniture Gap** ministry. Lois says she sees God working on a regular basis. "We receive many items as donations, like furniture, appliances and other things. I don't understand the importance of these items, but it generally doesn't take God long to connect the people in need with the items that were donated. I find that quite fascinating!" A *Furniture Reduction Sale* was held in April of this year. Our churches and volunteers worked together and met our sales goal! It was beautiful and a blessed experience, as God even held back the rain until the event ended.

Partner Churches

- + Share the vision
- + Support through ministry and volunteer connections
- + Give financially

Welcome **Troy Assembly of God!**

We are excited to partner with you as you faithfully share Jesus in Troy, MT

Partner Churches & Board Members

Bridge of Hope, Rod Delaney

Eagle Valley Fellowship

Libby Assembly of God, Ace Olsen

Libby Baptist Church

Libby Church of God, Pastor Rich Cloyd (Board Chair)

Stillwater Fellowship

Troy Assembly of God

Troy Christian Fellowship, Pastor Eric Myers / Sherry Hingley/ Allan Phelps

Troy Community Baptist, Maryjo McLean

Yaak Community Church

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Business Shout Outs!

Dome Theater
 Libby Floral and Gift
 North Fork Forestry & Tree Services
 Kootenai Valley Christian School
 Frontier Studio

Formula Fabrication
 Glacier Bank
 JB's Tires
 A Lazy Buzz
 Schnackenberg Funeral Home

Jammin' Java
 Agency on Aging
 Edward Jones

INCREASE YOUR IMPACT

- Give on-line @ loveincslc.com
- Send checks to PO Box 164, Troy, MT 59935
- Consider a tax deduction: include stocks, annuities, trusts, etc...
- Gifts In Kind: Vehicles, Used Christian Books, Appliances, Sellable Items



SAVE THESE DATES



**JULY 4TH - BUY A BISON BURGER @
 ROOSEVELT PARK IN TROY**

Aug 20 - Volunteer Orientation

Sept. 8th - Redemptive Compassion Class begins @
 Libby Baptist Church. Register today: 406 293-
 6556



Call (406) 293-6497

We can listen. We can help.

2024 QUARTER 1 DATA

- 128 Need Requests
- 118 Needs Met/Connections
- Financial Donations: \$21, 541
- Quarter 1 Budget: \$20,000

It's okay to ask for help. We all
 need a hand up from time to time.

 Call Love in the Name of Christ
 this week.

 Monday - Wednesday:
 10:30 - 12:30
 Thursday: 9:00 - 11:00



**Transformational Ministries is coming
 "We can't wait!"**