



Love INC

Love In the Name of Christ

SOUTH
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COUNTY

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"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." – Jesus, Matthew 22:36-40

CONNECTION CENTER IS OPEN ON TUESDAYS - WATCH FOR ADDITIONAL DAYS



The Connection Center opened on August 28th. We are now taking calls from our neighbors in need who have been referred to us by our partner churches, schools, and community agencies/organizations. Initially our plan was to open three days per week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. However, those plans were dependent on having a Client Care Coordinator hired and in place. Our finances / resources did not enable that hire, so with our current resources we are opening the Connection Center on Tuesdays at this time.

Through the development of this new ministry, God and the Holy Spirit have been present in so many ways. From a recent "Friend-Raising" meeting and tour, a partner church member has made an extremely generous gift to

the ministry funding the Client Care Coordinator position for the remainder of this year. Though the donor has requested to remain anonymous, they did allow us to share their decision:

"Thank you for your visit. We talked about this and we really feel that it is imperative that you get started. We will be cutting a check today for the amount needed to hire the Client Care Coordinator and get Love INC to the end of the year. After that we will look again for God's provision, but until then it is time to start. We are passionate about what you are doing and look forward to what God is doing through Love INC."

This gift will allow us to hire a Client Care Coordinator immediately and to expand our days of operation appropriately.



INTAKE SPECIALIST TRAINING



We have been blessed with a great response to our need for volunteer Intake Specialists. Thank you to all that have responded to that call. We are overwhelmed with the caliber and passion of those who have responded. We held the first training sessions on August 21st and 22nd which included general information on the Love INC model as well as the specific intake process. Here are some words from two of the new Intake Specialists:

"I believe in giving people a hand-up to help improve their lives. I also look forward to sharing my gifts and talents with those in need of help."
- Jenny Roth

"I have long felt/believed in the need to provide a more comprehensive service addressing all areas of need to those requesting help. I appreciate the opportunity to be part of a Christian volunteer organization."
- Ginny Everson

MEET BOARD MEMBER DAVE ECKE



Dave Ecke became a board member in August 2018. Dave first heard of Love INC at a Parish Council meeting and became convinced this ministry was God’s answer to prayer for our community. He believes as Love INC unites and mobilizes the Body of Christ we will be able to better serve the needs in our community as we share the light and love Christ has for each of us. Dave is a member of Saint Lawrence Catholic Church.



On August 14th one local non-profit board sat together and used the Strengths Workshop as an evening for teambuilding. Other attendees came for personal development. In the process they met new people and deepened community relationships.



LEADER TO LEADER “FAN INTO FLAME” WORKSHOP

The third workshop in the Leader to Leader series is “Fan into Flame the Gift of God Within You”. It will be held September 18th from 6:00-9:00 pm at the Love INC building, 710 20th Avenue South, Wisconsin Rapids.

Would you like more insight on who God made you to be? Do you long to recognize God’s call on your life? This three hour interactive workshop will help you explore and connect your spiritual gifts, passions, abilities, and personal style. To learn more or to register go to:

<https://www.leadertoleader.network/workshops>



Ruby’s Pantry is a faith-based “Pop-Up” Pantry organized and sponsored locally by our partner church Immanuel Lutheran and the Boys and Girls Club. There are no income resident limits or requirements. You can attend a Pop-Up Pantry at any city/state location. There is a \$20 donation per food share. They recommend you bring two boxes or totes to the pantry. For more information call 715-423-3260.



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*Love In the Name of Christ
of South Wood County*

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

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Prayer:

“Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

- Mathew 6:10

Dear Lord, we pray that You would use our lives and our work for the building of Your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. May Love INC ever be faithful to your will. In your holy name we pray.

Amen.