



Love INC
Love In the Name of Christ

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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

August 2018

CONNECTION CENTER OPENS THIS MONTH



August means another milestone in the Love INC progress towards our mission of mobilizing local churches to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ. The Connection Center (call center) is the heart of Love INC and will open August 28th. We have interviewed a number of potential volunteer Intake Specialists who will staff the call center. We are blessed with an amazing group of capable Christians to begin this important process. Intake Specialists take referrals from churches, organizations, or clients and walk them through a process that begins to uncover the root cause of issues. They

also verify the need and work with church and community resources to meet the need if possible. Accumulative, repetitive unmet needs form the basis for the next stage of development, called Gap Ministries, which work to fill in the "gaps" in area resources needed to transform peoples lives.

Opening of the Connection Center is the official beginning of our affiliate. After one year we will be listed nationally with all of the other 140 affiliates, only the second one in Wisconsin other than Sheboygan County. As Jackie Gleason used to say; "And away we go!"

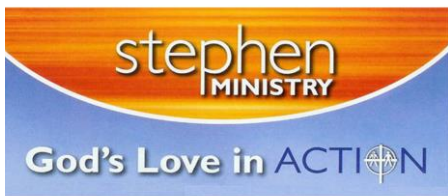
ASPIRUS RIVERVIEW GRANT SUPPORTS TRAINING CENTER



We are extremely excited to announce with great gratitude a recent grant from Aspirus Riverview Foundation. The grant will fund the further development of our training center and associated infrastructure. These funds are vital to making the training center a relevant and desirable asset to Love INC, all our partner churches, and the community.

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LEADER TO LEADER BALANCE TRAINING



Do you want to improve how you relate to others? Do you have a friend, neighbor, or family member that you haven't talked with in months? Do you have a personal relationship that is broken, and now you want to restore it?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you are a candidate for the course ***"Caring For Inactive Members: How To Make God's House A Home."*** This 6-module course was developed by the Steven Ministries Organization. The course is fast-paced combining lecture, discussion, demonstration, small group work, and skill building practice.

This course provides a practical and proven method for restoring broken relationships.

Two modules will be completed each night. The class will meet from 7:00-9:30 PM Thursdays, September 13, 20, and 27, at the Immanuel Lutheran School Learning Center (111 11th St. North, Wisconsin Rapids). Dennis Martin will lead the class. He can be reached at 715-741-1959 with any questions.

Contact Marlene Mertens at the church office at 715-423-3260 by August 24 to register. and reserve your class space. This is your chance to start your journey to restoring that lost relationship using the method learned and practiced in this course.

Our first Leader to Leader Network partnership training on finding life balance occurred on Monday, July 23. Love INC hosted 14 people from different churches who learned more about obtaining balance in their lives. If you missed it, check out the next opportunity "Living Your Strengths".



TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2018
6:30 - 8:30 PM

Do you like the idea of focusing on strengths instead of weaknesses? Would you like tools to help you be the best in every situation? You will leave this two-hour workshop with insight to help you understand and grow your innate talents into true strengths. When you register you will be instructed on how to pick up your book and take the on-line assessment prior to the workshop. Cost: \$24 per person; includes workshop, book, online assessment. Pre-register today for yourself and/or team at: www.leadertoleader.network



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Prayer:

“For He will deliver the needy who cry out, the afflicted who have no one to help. He will take pity on the weak and the needy and save the needy from death.”
- Psalm 72:12-13

Dear Lord, there are so many people around us who are hurting physically, financially, emotionally, and spiritually. Thank you for the privilege of serving You through serving them. Move our hearts with the same kind of compassion You have shown each of us, Amen.