

# LOVE IN THE NAME OF CHRIST OF SOUTH WOOD COUNTY



## HELPING CHURCHES HELP PEOPLE

MOBILIZING LOCAL CHURCHES TO TRANSFORM LIVES AND COMMUNITIES IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

April 2024

### Love Story You Never Know What You Might Find

Love INC has many opportunities for neighbors to help each other. One of the newer ways in our community is the Love It Again thrift store. We have been so blessed since opening the shop. The community has donated many beautiful and useful items which we then sell to bargain-hunters. But there is more than just clothes, dishes, and books in our little shop. There is God's love.

Sabrina (not her real name) has a job and a family. But she longed for a deeper connection. But where? And with whom? Something was missing but she didn't know just what it was.

Sabrina met one of our Love It Again volunteers at her work. They were putting up flyers in the break room. Sabrina started a conversation with the volunteer. Who ran the shop? Where did they get the items for sale? Where did the money go? Soon Sabrina made her first visit to Love It Again. She found several bargains (like clothes for her kids), and she found something more...Sabrina was excited to find people who would listen to her and pray for her. She found new Godly friends! Having been a little shy most of her life, she now blossoms under the love and care of God and God's servants.

Sabrina came to a special Christmas event at Love INC in December. She is always eager to spend time around people who talk about Jesus. She comes to the thrift store every week—not just to shop for things for her home, but to get the bargain of a lifetime, food for the soul!

Written by Robin Ireland

## UPCOMING Events!

Love In the Name of Christ invites you to

### SPRING Into Fashion 2024

**SAT., APRIL 20, 2024**  
10am to 1pm

Join us at Love INC of South Wood County for the latest fashions from Rustic Redefined Boutique. We will also highlight outfits from Love It Again! Ticket price includes brunch. Raffle baskets will be available.

Individual Cost - \$25  
Table of 8 - \$180

To order tickets go to [LoveINCswc.org](http://LoveINCswc.org) or scan this QR Code or contact Dawn at 715.818.5927.




### harmony & laughter

#### GOLD CITY

A GOSPEL MUSIC HALL OF FAME ARTIST



**COMEDIAN**



**MICKEY BELL** is quickly becoming one of the most sought after entertainers with his quick wit and his ability to entertain crowds of all ages.

**GOLD CITY** is an American southern gospel quartet based in Gadsden, Alabama and is one of the most awarded quartets in Christian Music.

PRESENTED BY: LOVE INC OF SOUTH WOOD COUNTY

**june 19, 2024**  
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER  
1801 16TH ST S., WISC RAPIDS

RESERVE YOUR TICKETS AT [WWW.SAVORTHEARTS.COM](http://WWW.SAVORTHEARTS.COM)  
OR SCAN ME




# VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

April is designated as National Volunteer Appreciation Month. We, at Love INC of South Wood County, want to take this opportunity to recognize the impact our volunteers make to build a stronger community and be a force that helps transformation happen through loving our neighbors in the name of Christ. We are thankful for our generous and hardworking volunteers who live out their faith by serving others.

Throughout the month on Facebook and Instagram, we hope to highlight volunteers and some of the ways they are making a difference here in the South Wood County area.

## ALL PART OF ONE BODY

Written by Dawn Liebherr

I've been noticing that God keeps bringing the concept of the body of Christ to my attention lately. 1 Corinthians 12:27 states, "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." I find this to be so comforting and true! In my three years here at Love INC, I've seen over and over how people bring different gifts to our clients, our building, and in the last year, the thrift store. You cannot imagine how grateful I am when someone who enjoys cleaning spends an hour here, to make our building sparkly. You don't know the relief I feel when a volunteer can help us with computer problems. Volunteers bring their love for the outdoors to clients who need their lawn mowed. The moving team cheerfully helps clients move their belongings across town. I have also noticed some people just know when to send flowers or a card to cheer someone who is going through a hard time.

In the body of Christ, we are each gifted with things that we enjoy doing. We each have things that come easy to us. Isn't God good to allow us to use these skills to bless others? This month, we are celebrating our volunteers. Love INC and Love It Again combined now have around 180 volunteers who on a monthly, weekly or daily basis, offer their specific gifts to us. Isn't that amazing?

We want our volunteers to know that we celebrate your differences! God has made YOU unique and the skills and talents you offer are exactly the things that make Love INC work so well. If you'd like to offer your talents and skills to Love INC or Love It Again, please let us know. May God bless all of our volunteers!

