



## HELPING CHURCHES HELP PEOPLE

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

# LOVE STORY

May 2024

\*Monica had served in the military and worked as a State employee for many years. Now retired, she looked for something to occupy her time. A lifelong learner, Monica looked around for some sort of class to take. A friend from church told her about our Affirming Potential class at Love INC.

The class focused on becoming the vital person that God created each of us to be. The illustration used was that of a wagon with each of the four wheels representing a strength we possess. The instructor asked if everyone's wheels were in good order. How could they be improved? The classmates held discussions and prayed over each aspect of their "wagons".

Monica was reserved at first to share in the group discussions. But after listening to others for a few weeks, she opened up. Here was a safe place to discuss the things in life which hold us back from reaching our God-given potential. Safe, caring, confidential.

Monica shared her early struggles with her career and family of origin. Nobody looking at her would have guessed that this former military woman had been through so much! It was as though a deep well had opened up and God was ready with His people to catch the overflow. Monica felt her soul-life beginning to flow more easily, more joyfully.

But Monica's presence at that class had another result. The other students and the discussion facilitators learned from Monica that God may take our "wagon" through some difficult routes, but it always leads back to Him if we keep an eye on those wheels. If we reach for the life and hope we have in Him, we will learn how to say, "I belong to God and I have potential no matter what I've been through."

\*pseudonym

I have come that they may have  
life and have it to the full

John 10:10



South  
Wood  
County

*Our goal is to build relationships that  
empower life-long transformation.*



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## Love it Again Thrift Store

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## WELCOME ROY & DAVID to the Board of Directors



Roy Ferkey recently retired as a general contractor after 38 years in his own business. Through the years he learned how to patiently deal with people. He first learned about Love INC when a presentation was given at River Cities Christian Church. Roy appreciated Love INC's mission to help people improve their situation by transformation and not simply by a hand out. Roy has served as elder, Sunday school teacher, handyman, worship team leader, parking lot maintenance and wherever he was needed with his congregation.

Dave Wilkinson retired after many years of being a registered nurse. After moving to Wisconsin in 2018, he began attending River Cities Christian Church and is currently serving as the Head Deacon. Dave has many hobbies from pickleball to woodworking, building and gardening, just to name a few. Dave is married to a wonderful woman named Cindy who is also currently the Treasurer of River Cities Christian Church. Dave and Cindy enjoy hiking, kayaking, and camping in Wisconsin as well as traveling and visiting family.

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## SPRING INTO FASHION

We at Love INC are so grateful to all of you who joined us for the Spring Into Fashion Show! Your presence not only filled the room with energy, but your support directly contributes to our mission of mobilizing local churches to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ. Your generous participation will make a real difference for those in need in South Wood County. Thank you for helping us “bloom hope” this season!



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