

The Sharing Org

Loving God by Loving Others



JULY 2006

Dear Prayer,

Our services rank right up there with the best churches in the nation! Exciting worship? *Check*. Dynamic messages? *Check (if I do say so myself)*. Congregational prayer? *Check*. Real relationships being formed? *Check, check*. Interpretive dance? *Check? Interpretive Dance? Huh?!?!?* The other day as we were singing "To God Be The Glory," Sela decided that she just could not sit still for it, so she stood up and began to dance freely about the room. The residents really enjoyed her enthusiasm - *I just pray that she will be this expressive when she comes into her own faith*. A couple of months ago she danced to "Victory In Jesus" and pulled off a perfect somersault on the final note. Everyone applauded at how she timed it perfectly to end the song. I am anticipating how fully her personality will develop over time because of her participation in this ministry. Thank you for praying for me and my family as we seek to serve the residents of the group home facilities.

In June I began service to a *tenth* facility. Please pray for me as I begin the process of learning the names (never an easy task) and as I begin to share the love and grace of Jesus Christ with the residents who live here. I am excited to having been invited to minister here and am enjoying getting to know the residents.

Please remember to pray for my health as we enter into the hot summer season. Heat exacerbates symptoms in people who have Multiple Sclerosis, and I am praying that I hold up well, especially in the facilities that do not have air conditioning.

Megan and I are praying for you and each of our prayer partners by name this month. Our prayer is that God might reveal His vision for this ministry to you so that you will get a burning in your soul for it. Did you know that there are 4,585 group homes in Michigan with a little more than 48,000 residents who live in them? Most of these facilities have no Christian spiritual care provided to them at all! My guts burn with the vision of providing Christian services to each group home facility that has need. God has revealed a vision to me that has changed me, and I pray that He reveals it to you as well. The vision is to provide spiritual care for the people who are not able to get out to their local churches. The vision is to assure the residents that God cares for them and that Jesus is desperately in love with them. I pray that our heavenly Father may reveal this vision to you so that you too might have a burning in your soul for the folks in need in our communities.

I want to say a special thank you to everyone who participated in and contributed to the pancake breakfast. It was a lot of fun meeting so many new people and being able to share the ministry vision with you. The breakfast raised a total of \$3,289! God is so gracious as He leads us in His ministry and He is using the generosity of people like you to ensure that the spiritual services that we provide are offered in the homes each week. Thank you for being a blessing to my family and the many individuals who depend on us each week.

Have a great July!

With the warmest regards,
John Rock

www.thesharing.org

PO Box 73 · Armada, MI 48005 · (586)784-4174

Our mission is to share the love of God and to build relationships with the residents of care facilities by providing them with weekly interdenominational Christian worship services.

I would like to join the ministry of the Sharing Org and serve the residents of care facilities by giving them the love of God through the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

I would like to join the Sharing Org Ministry \$500.00 \$250.00 \$100.00 \$75.00 \$_____ Other

I would like to support the Sharing Org Ministry by making a *one time donation* of: \$500.00 \$250.00 \$100.00 \$75.00 \$_____ Other

#0607030.5
Prayer Partner
12345 Anywhere St.
Your Town, MI 48---

Thank you for joining us as together we share the Love of God with the residents of care facilities.

You've pledged \$0 per month to support the Sharing Org.

Your gifts for 2007 have totaled \$0

Please make checks payable to: **The Sharing Org**
Please mail to: PO Box 73
Armada, MI 48005