

MISSION OUTREACH NEWS

October - November - December
2025

Providing Food, Water, and Shelter in Jesus' Name

Dear LGPC Mission Partners,

Start children off on the right path. And even when they are old, they will not turn away from it.

Proverbs 22:6 (NIRV)

As a parent, I have tried to give my kids lots of opportunities to give and serve so that they get into the habit young. However, it is often hard to find opportunities for younger kids.

As a team, we in Lake Grove Kids have tried to offer lots of options for parents to include their kids in stewardship. We have collected items for Family Promise, Portland Rescue Mission, and Salvation Army. We have had families create cards for kids in Senegal and Family Promise. They are given fish banks each year to collect money and return on Palm Sunday for One Great Hour of Sharing. Obviously, we don't expect everyone to do everything, but we hope it provides families with an easy way to get involved in giving.



My favorite thing that we do each year in LGK (along with an amazing committee) is Angel Tree. I love seeing all the families and congregants choose a family to purchase gifts for and deliver to them in time for Christmas.



Serving Together in Christ,

Heather Reagan
LGK Program Assistant

In response to families asking for more options to serve with their kids, we have put together a list of local opportunities (See QR code here or come find us in LGK for a handout).





JOIN US ON
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST
FROM 10:00AM-3:00PM
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
FOR A FUNDRAISER TO
SUPPORT
FAMILY PROMISE
OF TUALATIN VALLEY



LAKE OSWEGO TRANSITIONAL SHELTER MINISTRY

LGPC along with five other churches in Lake Oswego, has partnered with Lake Oswego Transitional Shelter Ministry (LOTSM) for over 30 years providing transitional shelter to the homeless in Clackamas County. In 2024, we housed 8 families including 15 children. Our ministry includes 6 volunteers who help with responsibilities such as point person contact, maintenance, computer skills, providing meals, lending a caring ear. We always need more help so if interested call Terrie 503-781-1529 or Jennifer 503-522-3163. Special prayers this month for our two families: One family is a mom and her daughter with a 3-month-old baby and an 18-year-old son (sometimes). Our other family is a mom with three young sons.



Special Thanks to Carolyn's group which has provided over 20 quilts for children to receive on move-in day.

Luke 10:2 (NIV)

He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few,
Ask the Lord of the harvest,
therefore, to send out workers into
his harvest field"



HEALTHY HELPING TRAINING

On Saturday, August 9th, LGPC in conjunction with Love INC hosted our first Healthy Helping Training. We had 14 people attend this training and we learned about how to help those in need without hindering them. We learned about root causes of what the poor are experiencing. If you are interested in attending a training like this in the future, please email Kristi Werner at kristi@lakegrovepres.org and we can work with you and Love INC to get you signed up. In addition, if you are interested in becoming a church liaison for LGPC, please contact Kristi.

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING UPDATE

Together we raised \$5,898.00 to support the Spirit of Martyrdom Ministries. Supporting International Leaders who "risk much for Jesus" these leaders lay down their lives in full surrender and obedience to God.

Please continue to be in prayer for our longtime facilitator and friend in Senegal, Leopold Diouf. He has been experiencing leg aches, body pain, arthritis, high blood pressure, and a very fast heart rate. He has been seen in several clinics and hospitals with very few answers at this time. Please pray for God's mercy, grace, and healing. We will update you further as we get any additional information.



SERVING?

Have you ever considered how you could join in our mission efforts here at LGPC? We have so many different opportunities to join with us in our mission efforts to bring "Food, Water, and Shelter ... in Jesus' name" right here in our local community!

If you would like more information on our various ministry partners and some of their needs, please contact Kristi Werner at 503-636-5656 ext. 114 or kristi@lakegrovepres.org.

Thank you for your willingness to donate to our various ministry partners. As a gentle reminder please remember to contact each ministry lead prior to dropping off any unsolicited donations at the church. Many ministry partners are unable to accept certain donations at this time. Due to limited storage space at the church, we are unable to accept unsolicited donations at this time.



LOVE INC

Love INC provides a new pair of shoes to students who wouldn't normally receive them. This happens through their Lace Up with Love shoe ministry. Recently, they provided 121 students with new shoes at the beginning of the school year. With the start of the new school year, they are in need of a restock of some specific shoe sizes.

These are the sizes they specifically need more of:

Youth Girls' 2.5

Women's 9.5, 10.5, 12.5, 13

Youth Boys 3.5, 4, 4.5, 5.5

Men's 6, 8, 9, 12.5, 13.5, 14, 14.5, 15

Love INC can only accept donations of NEW shoes that are good quality and can work well as a general use shoe (no dress shoes or sandals).

For more information contact Kristi Werner

Pray for our 2025 Mission Partners

Agros * Afghan Refugee Families * Care & Share * Family Promise
Lake Oswego Transitional Shelter Ministry (LOTSM) * Love INC * Manna Ministry
Pink Eraser * Portland Rescue Mission * Presbyterian Urban Network (PUN)
Salaam International * Salvation Army West * Senegal Ministries * Shepherd's Door
WaterAfrica * Woodburn Ministries * World Vision * YD Adventures

Mission Partner Spotlight



**Portland
Rescue Mission**

TRANSFORMATIONAL IMPACT FOR 2024

Transformation happens every day at Portland Rescue Mission - and in 2024 there was a 15% year-over-year increase in services provided.

GET HELP

- 6,807 people served
- 244,813 meals served
- 67,812 nights of shelter

Stabilize

- 228 next step shelter guests
- 141 connect program participants

Recover

- new life program participants - 204 adults and 30 children

Give Back

- community program participants - 10 women and 2 children

2024 Statistics

- 84% of New Life Program Graduates in the past 5 years remain addiction-free and in stable housing
- 50 committed to Christ
- 61% connect program participants achieved housing and/or employment

Ways to Give

- Give financially
- Vehicle donation
- Legacy giving
- Stocks or property
- Catering
- Shop to give
- Donate cryptocurrency
- Volunteer to serve meals

At PRM, transformation happens through individualized, Christ-centered care delivered across four holistic and integrated services - each Giving Hope and Restoring Life to people in great need. Portland Rescue Mission is 100% community funded.

GET HELP

Services provide immediate relief and compassionate care to people in great need coming off the streets.

Hospitality Ministry

- 24-Hour staff, resources, and restrooms
- Two indoor sit-down meals per day

Overnight Shelter

- Safe, welcoming shelter for up to 139 men

Mobile Outreach Services

- Two Hope Vans serve the community 7 days a week.

Stabilize

Services provide a safe and supportive environment guests to catch their breath and take personalized steps toward healing.

Next step shelter: 4 months

- Temporary shelter for up to 54 men

Connect Program: 6 months

- Stable shelter, life skills training, and housing support.

Recover

Services provide holistic care for substance abuse disorders or other life crises in a supportive environment.

Discovery Program: 5 Weeks

- Stabilization, relapse prevention, and childcare

New Life Program: 1 Year

- Comprehensive recovery, Christian discipleship, life skills training, childcare, parenting support, and family reunification advocacy

Give Back

Services support graduates as they build a purposeful, self-sufficient life, engaging in the local church, and giving back to the community.

Community Program

- Three houses, accommodating up to 12 women and 12 children

Service Program

- Individualized life skills and vocational support for recent New Life graduates

Alumni Program

- Monthly gatherings

Volunteer opportunities available
For more information
email: volunteer@pdxmission.org
Phone: (503) 906-7697



LGK MISSION PROJECTS

FAMILY PROMISE SERVICE PROJECTS

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

This past summer LGK collected school supplies for the children served at Family Promise. Thanks to your generous donations our kids helped to collect backpacks and assorted school supplies for students to start their school year off with new supplies!



CANNED FOOD DRIVE

This fall join LGK as we collect non-perishable food items for the food pantry at Family Promise of Tualatin Valley!



STAY TUNED FOR ANGEL TREE

Join us this upcoming holiday season as we share the love of Christ through our annual Angel Tree event serving children of incarcerated parents. You can help make the holidays just a little brighter for a child missing their parent(s) this Christmas. Gifts will be distributed to families on Saturday, December 6th!

LGK MISSION TRIP TO FLORIDA

On August 17th three of our Lake Grove Youth accompanied by Laura Fuller traveled from Portland to Orlando, Florida.



During their time in Florida our youth had the opportunity to work at the Sharing Center by assisting in the thrift store and food pantry. A strip mall converted into its own kind of ministry.

PRM - THE HARBOR



In September, our Mission Outreach Team consisting of Pastor Graig Flach, Elder Susie Crowell, and Mission Assistant Kristi Werner had the opportunity to visit and meet with Bryan Fowler, Director of Men's Ministries at the Harbor.

We had the opportunity to tour the facility and learn more about the ongoing ministry at this facility. There are many opportunities to volunteer at this outreach of the PRM. Do you have a group that would like to cook a meal for the men that they serve? If you would like more information on this ministry or would like to learn how to contact them directly, please send an email to Kristi Werner at kristi@lakegrovepres.org.

1 Peter 4:10-11 Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever, Amen.



Christmas Joy Offering

Join with us this holiday season as we work together with Family Promise of Tualatin Valley to help raise funds for a covered children's play area at the Bridge to Home Facility in Tigard. The children that they serve need a safe and dry place to play; we can help to offset some of these costs! Together we can make a difference in the lives of children in our community! We will be collecting our annual Joy Offering following all services on Wednesday, December 24th!

WORLD COMMUNION UPDATE

Thanks to your generosity we have raised almost \$11,000.00 in our World Communion Offering on Sunday, October 5th for the Camino Project! There is still time to make your donation to help support those that are affected by the ongoing war in Ukraine!



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