

Building Relationships ~ Restoring Hope ~ Transforming Lives

Newsletter

Fall 2022

Our Mission

To engage local churches to transform lives and our community
In the Name of Christ

Our Core Values

- We are Christian. Everything we think, say, and do is In the Name of Christ.
- Prayer is an integral part of who we are.
- We follow Christ's example in valuing people in need.
- We value unity in the Body of Christ. That is reflected by a unity of purpose in serving our neighbors in need.
- We value transformation in the lives of people and communities.
- We value churches living out the two Great Commandments to love God and love their neighbors.
- We value building Christ-like relationships.
- We value connectedness in the Love INC Movement.
- We model excellence.
- We value continually maturing in our capacity to meet people's needs.



*"I thank my God every time I remember you."
Philippians 1:3*

I'd like to express my gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to all our **volunteers** who support Mid-Hudson Love INC with such passion and dedication. This critical support is shown in a variety of ways across Love INC in our Clearinghouse, Relational and Gap Ministries.

Some examples of the various ways volunteers support Love INC are:

- Teaching, providing transportation and donating incentive items for 11 Relational Ministry classes with 48 neighbors participating in one or more classes, filling 69 seats.
- Teaching and supporting six youth in the debut of the Children's Ministry class for those children of parents taking classes.
- Providing mentoring, support and prayer for three graduates pursuing their goals through our Coaching program.
- Donating and delivering 690 items to-date to our neighbors through the Gap Ministry providing personal care, pillows, towels, linens, furniture, household goods and beds.
- Handling 708 calls to-date in the Clearinghouse from neighbors requesting assistance.
- Praying over weekly requests our Prayer Warriors in the Prayer Ministry receive, as well as providing a monthly Prayer Calendar (www.mid-hudsonloveinc.org) so that we can be a community in prayer.
- Participating on the Board and committees to ensure efficiency in the services provided.

The impact that our volunteers make in building relationships, restoring hope, and transforming lives is evident. I continue to be encouraged through this partnership and look forward to future opportunities to serve together to be God's hands and feet in ministering to those in need in our community.

~ John Marrine, Executive Director

Building Relationships

The furniture team delivered on two occasions to fulfill a new neighbor's request. On both dates the team delivered, the neighbor was experiencing difficult life circumstances; one time the neighbor's brother was in a serious accident and the next time the neighbor was robbed. The team took the time to talk with her to learn how she was doing and to find out what was happening in her life. The team joined in prayer for her after loading the furniture into her apartment.

Over the course of the past couple of months, a volunteer reconnected with a neighbor. As they talked each week, the volunteer heard the neighbor express how she really wanted to learn more about the Bible and own a Bible that she could read on her own. The volunteer readily began to pursue making this happen. The volunteer consulted with her pastor about an appropriate study guide and, also, researched and purchased a good version of the Bible with large print and with vocabulary appropriate to the neighbor's reading ability. A second neighbor made a similar request resulting in both neighbors and the volunteer meeting twice a month to enjoy afternoons of study and prayer.

Thank You!

Fill The Truck



The truck was overflowing with your donations! This was our third year for this drive and it probably was our best year. We have plenty of items for class incentives for our Fall and most likely our Winter semesters. **Thank You** for your continued support!

Ready, Set, Learn



Through your support, \$2,650 was raised for our Relational Ministry classes to defray the costs of student workbooks, calculators, teaching tools like flip charts, pens, and post its, hundreds of photocopies for handouts, and PPE items for drivers, neighbors, and volunteers. **Thank You!**

Thirteenth Annual Benefit



We appreciate those who attended and supported our Thirteenth Annual Scrabble Tournament! It was great to see everyone in-person and having fun while helping to support those in need within our community. With your support, between the Scrabble Tournament, the Trapp Family Lodge vacation, online auction and raffles, we were able to raise \$10,569! **Thank You!**

Save The Date



Learn more at an introduction to Local Ministry through a Love INC *VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION SESSION* on **Thursday, November 10, 6:30pm** (Zoom or in-person). RSVP to Jewel Ratzlaff at info@mhlinc.org.



To learn more about this mentoring opportunity, attend a *Coach Orientation and Training Session* via Zoom on **Thursday November 17, 6:30pm** or **Saturday December 10, 10am**. To register, contact Joanne at RelationalMinistryCoordinator@mhlinc.org.



#GIVINGTUESDAY

Giving Tuesday, November 29, 2022, is a global movement unleashing the power of people to transform their communities. It started in 2012 as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good. Help us help others through this international day of charitable giving. Please go to www.mid-hudsonloveinc.org to donate via the DONATE button and help to change lives.

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REDEMPTIVE COMPASSION

Redemptive Compassion is a biblical philosophy on how we offer wholistic help to those we serve.

We offer an informative five session study. If you would like to attend our next study group, please look for details of one that we will be planning for Spring 2023.

If your church or small group would like to convene a study group, please send an email to director@mhlinc.org.