

# L.A.M.B. SERVICES, INC.

2015 Year-End Newsletter

## Heritage Harmony Singers



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With your prayers and donations, we've been able to sponsor a CAM billboard since October 2012. Organized in 2012, Heritage Harmony is a mixed-voice choir comprised of people who love to sing! Including highschool-age students to the elderly, this group practices together and then sings for others as opportunities arise. Preserving and promoting the Christian tradition of acapella singing is one objective of our choir along with sharing the gospel in song with shut-ins, the needy, unbelievers, and also encouraging the saints. Also, a crossgenerational mix of young, middle-aged, and older singers helps to build wonderful relationships within our fellowships. It is a joy to see teens seated next to grandparents, singing together to the Lord!



Besides singing for the yearly L.A.M.B. banquet, the group sang for the residents at Dale Commons, and plans to sing at the Mission in March, for Gide-

on's International in April, and other places if possible. There has been interest expressed in recording a CD, but no definite plans have been made presently. We currently have thirty to forty regular singers, and welcome more. We ask that singers be at least high-school age and under 120 years old. As David said long ago, "I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being." Ps 104:33

Blessings, Lloyd Wagner

# CAM's Billboard Evangelism

Many people are confused about God and life; they don't know what to believe or where to find help. Churches are re-

jecting the absolute authority of the Bible, and even some Bible colleges teach students they can believe in evolution AND God. No wonder so many are confused. Where can these

people turn for sound Biblical answers? CAM's Billboard Evangelism (BBE) program helps point America to Christ. It is estimated that more than 55,000 vehicles drive past our billboard on Hwy 99 each day. The billboard includes a toll-free number, which people can call 24 hours a day to speak

with one of CAM's Phone-Team (pastors/teachers who answer the calls). After seeing the billboard message in

There IS Evidence
for GOD!

855-FOR-TRUTH Romans 1:20

This is the billboard message on south-bound 99, at the Woodland area.

Modesto: "There IS evidence for God" Malinda\* wanted to know what she could expect after she dies. Our team member quoted the verse, "It is appointed unto man once to die and after this the judgment." Malinda's primary question was how she could continue her

immoral lifestyle and still go to heaven. Our team member gently guided her through scriptural principles to point

out Truth. At the end of the conversation and prayer, Malinda said, "I want to seek after God and ask Him to change my life." Pray that Malinda would sincerely repent and seek God

to change her heart.

Without your support and prayers this would not be possible! Thank you!

Lets also remember to keep the Phone-Team members in our prayers!

\*Name changed for privacy reasons

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LAMB has been able to provide a channel through which donors have been able to anonymously donate to various families, including those with medical needs and other hardships.

#### 2015 Highlights for LAMB Services, Inc.

We want to sincerely thank you for all of your incredible outpouring of support in 2015, through your donations, helping hands, and your prayers! In these few short pages we want to show you how your donations. prayers, and time have impacted the lives of many around the world & here at home.

# Modesto Gospel Mission Feeding the Hungry, Devotions & Gate Night

L.A.M.B. Services has been providing the evening meals at the MGM, the first Saturday of each month. We serve 2 meals. one at 5pm for the people who are in the New Life recovery program and those who work there. This meal serves approximately 65-80 people. The second meal is at 8pm following the devotions service provided by our Brethren. This meal is for people who come in off the street and need a hot meal. They may or may not be spending the night at the mission. There are approximately 100 people for the second meal. We have had wonderful support from our community, preparing food, and coming to serve. We can use between 8-12 people to prepare food and we need 10 people to serve. We encourage families to participate. The children have to be at least 10 years old. If you are interested in helping, please contact Janice Jarboe or Nancy Layman for more information. This service is very much appreciated by the Gospel Mission staff. This is a great opportunity to be visibly helping our community with a

real need and we always receive many thankful and positive comments from those that are served food.



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Our Young Folks volunteer on the first Friday night of each month at MGM for what is called Gate Night. This is a great opportunity to reach out the local teenagers in the airport district of Modesto and show them the Love of Christ. Somewhere in the middle of the evening one of our young men will share something from the Bible. The reason that it is called Gate Night is because there is Gate that all the teenagers must come through to be able to attend. They promptly close the gate at 9:00 PM, so if you are not there before then, you are not allowed in. would like to help.

Contact Ben Eller if you \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The MGM provides a 1 hour devotional service and a meal in the evening to homeless & needy in the community. Before eating the meal, the homeless are required to sit and listen to the message. Since November of 2009, we have taken a turn on the first Saturday evening of each month to lead the devotions for the group of guests. We have had a variety of our Brethren volunteer to speak. Sometimes this can stretch us out of our comfort zone, but in a good way! This has provided us an opportunity to share the gospel with those who may have never heard it before. Several of the staff have commented that they really appreciate it when our turn rolls around each month. More volunteers are needed for 2016, so please let Randy Jenkins know if you can help.

# Prison Ministry-Inmate Correspondence





Approximately 90% of all inmates will at some point be released. Currently 70% of these inmates, once they are released will find themselves back in prison within 2-3 years. Research has shown that correspondence with inmates from caring individuals outside of prison has many positive results. One is that these inmates rarely commit a crime after they are released. Another is that they tend to be

connected more with the real world when they are released thus leading to greater interaction with individuals. Another is that it is an incredible way to disciple these inmates in biblical truths and principles found in the word of God. Several Brethren & Sisters have corresponded with inmates who ask for correspondence. This continues to be an exciting opportunity for us. The CA State Prison & many other secular organizations love for us to correspond with those incarcerated for a lot of secular benefits. We are encouraged by the support from these secular organizations for these secular benefits, while the main purpose we correspond is for the spiritual benefits of discipling & encouraging these inmates in the word of God. Contact Rod Flory if you would like to help with this.

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# Prison Ministry-Good & Evil Books

With about 2.2 million people incarcerated, the US has the highest prison population per capita in the world. Many inmates live in frustration, anger, and loneliness because of sin in their hearts that has not been repented of. However, their time in prison usually makes them more willing to think seriously about God and their need for Him.

Listen to what one young man wrote:

"Dear L.A.M.B.Services, Good afternoon. My name is Michael\* and I am an alcoholic. As a result of my alcoholism I have lost, literally, everything. I am 26 years old, a 2011 graduate of Norwich University (the oldest Private Military Academy in the country), and an Eagle Scout. Somewhere along the way I became lost and am now currently incarcerated. Upon being arrested, I had nothing to read except a Bible. I was raised Catholic, but as I grew up I turned my back towards faith and religion. However, now, being that I am older and faced with the circumstances that I am facing, I have a much more open mind. I read the

book of Genesis in one day, and, while I understood most of it, I found that the Bible can be a difficult read for even the most educated and advanced readers. While incarcerated, I was introduced to the Good and Evil book and was blown away by the imagery and simplified manner of explaining and depicting what is going on in the Bible in key, significant areas. I would like to further read and study the Bible and would like to use the Good and Evil book as an accessory to receiving and retaining the Bible's message. I would greatly appreciate and cherish a Good & Evil book and can easily see it being a family heirloom passed on for generations for years to come further spreading the Word of the Lord and understanding of the Bible. I am currently incarcerated at the Wayside in LA County. I thank you for your time and consideration. God bless!

In July of 2010, the first shipment of Good & Evil books were sent to inmates in prison. The books are purchased from the publisher at their cost, for prison distribution only.



Don & Freeda Beachler—Stuffing inserts & tracts into a Good & Evil book. They have been faithful supporters of the Prison Ministry, and was always ready to serve the Lord.

As the prison population increases, opportunities to share the Gospel also increase. In a time where there are so many temptations and evil influences in prison, these Good & Evil books are especially helpful to inmates who are searching for God and trying to live a godly life.

If you would like to help financially, clearly mark your check to go towards Prison Ministry. Volunteers are needed to help read letters from prisoners, type addresses into the computer, and prepare the books for mailing. Contact Randy Jenkins if you want to help.

Thank-you to all of you who read letters, and packaged the books for mailing. We appreciate all of your help in 2015, and we look forward to see the Lord's hand work in a mighty way in 2016!

#### Prison Ministry— 25 Favorite Bible Stories for Inmate's Children

Prisoners often have a soft spot in their heart for their children and want us to send them a Good & Evil book as well. With all the requests that come in, this is not possible, however. CAM has enabled us to order their 25 Favorite Bible Story book, and the only cost we have is to pay CAM is for the shipping cost! Praise God! Bonnie Miller has worked on this project and if you want to help, contact her. The requests from prisoners need to be read, input in the address list, letters prepared to the child & guardian of the child, and prepare each book to mail.



Jeanne Brubaker inscribing a Good & Evil book with, "Jesus loves you! John 3:16"

The BEST way to support the Prison Ministry is to <u>Pray.</u>

"The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:16b



Becky Root—Cheerfully sealing envelopes stuffed with Good & Evil Books.

#### Layette Kit Pack

It's a struggle for some new mothers to have even basic supplies for their new baby, and to receive a Layette Kit can be a blessing! Approx. 100 Layette Kits were assembled in February, which include 2 blanket, 2 onsies, 2 sleepers, 6 diapers, a hat, 2 pairs of socks, diaper pens and a handmade card to the new mother.

#### Extra Mile Trips

Rod & Claudia Flory and Aaron & Janet Rumble led three Extra Mile trips this last year, to the Delta Bay Model in SF, Half Moon Bay, and Apple Hill. This was an opportunity to spend time with the elderly and enable them to visit places they might not be able to visit on their own.



Sweet Laura Belle ~ Enjoying her time with the bus driver.



#### 2015 Lamb Board

Rod & Claudia Flory
Doug & Karen Balsbaugh
Gary & Joy Skiles
Aaron & Janet Rumble
Nathan Flora
Janice Jarboe
Randy & Sarah Jenkins

#### School Kit Pack

When parents across North America prepare to send their children to school they go shopping for new pencils, tablets, clothes, and book bags. In Haiti, however, about half of the population does not send their children to school. For some, no school is available in their area. For many others, there is no money for tuition and school supplies, no matter how near or far away the school

In August, there was a School Kit Pack where we placed note-books, rulers, pencils, erasers and color crayons in a colorful bag. A total of 500 bags were assembled, and were sent to CAM for distribution.



# YF's OCC Trip & Spaghetti Dinner

In November, the Young Folks prepared a Spaghetti Dinner to raise funds for the trip OCC trip, which several older folks helped coordinate. Around 60 YF's prepared & served the food, and it was a delightful evening for all. People donated generously, enabling them to go to LA and sort shoeboxes

with Samaritain Operation Purse's Child. Christmas 500+ hours were donated by 33 folks young and several chaperones. A trip to the beach & the Science Museum was a treat for the YF's.



It's a special treat for homeless folks to receive a box full of homemade cookies and some candy. The young folks baked 268 dozen cookies for this project and 526 boxes were filled for the Salvation Army Christmas dinner. The people who receive this small gift may be homeless or people who have a place to live but have very limited funds for daily necessities. One really nice aspect of providing support to the Salvation Army is that they openly give the Lord the credit for what they are given, and they are both very grateful of our support. Thank you for you participation and generosity!



# Hygiene Kits

500 hygiene kits were carefully packaged up in August, and sent to CAM. We also made some kits for local distribution. They include hand soap, toothbrush & toothpaste, wash cloth, bath towel, shampoo, deodorant, a large comb, nail clippers, and a bandana handkerchief.



#### Raisin Pack

While many families here in the United States regularly enjoy fresh & dried fruit, most of the populace around the world is not able to do so. It is a treat for people in other countries to receive a package with dried fruit and possibly nuts inside of it! In June & October, a group of hardworking folks met to pack a total of 4,500 pounds of raisins. These were shipped to CAM-East and CAM-West for distribution to the various countries that they support. These are put in their relief food boxes and are received with great appreciation.



### Emergency Food Box Packing

Yamah, a poor widow from Liberia had no source of income, and no source of food. Yamah hardly knew what to do; she had four hungry children and didn't have any food. Through miraculous circumstances she received a food parcel from CAM. Yamah said, "Please tell the sponsors thank you". One food box will feed a family of 4, for 2 weeks!

We had one food pack in March, packing a total of 240 food boxes. Everyone enjoyed packing the rice, beans, sugar and etc. The little children always take great joy in carrying each bag to the assembly line!