WINTER 2014-2015 **NEWSLETTER** 

### FOUNDATION nners

Serving the needy of Fairfield County

### **Foundation Dinners**

- 1. Serve the suffering according to the Gospel of Christ.
- 2. Provide opportunity for the community to serve the suffering. Our Mission!

#### **Partner Calendar**

*Volunteer Teams of 6-8* should arrive before 3:30 p.m.

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#### **Donations**

Tax-deductable donations can be made online or to the:

**Foundation Dinners** 1000 W. Fifth Ave. Lancaster, OH 43130

### **Thank You Volunteers**



### **Foundation Needs**

A list of our needs is on our website hungryhomeless.org Food donations accepted 8:00 am to 5:30 pm every day.

### Support Needed



Consider The Foundation Dinners for year-end donations.

## Will you hire Joe? by Gary Corner

Joe is 35, never been married and has two children one eight years old, the other 13. Owing \$22,000 in back child support, his driver's license was revoked pending payment of the support arrearage.

Joe hasn't seen his children in seven years because he's been locked up for breaking & entering and drug trafficking—crimes committed to support his former drug habit. On the outside now for 10 months, he turned to alcohol to take away the pain of no home, no family, no job and no hope.

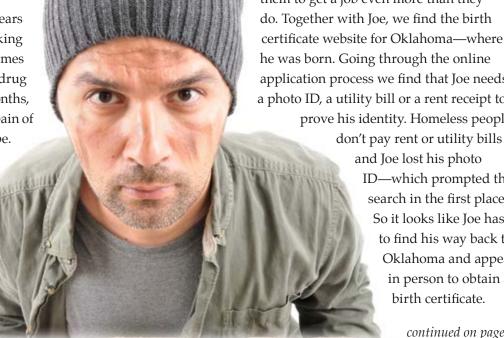
When he came to the Foundation last week, he had been on the wagon for 30 days because he realized he can't get a job when he's in a drunken stupor. He is asking for help in getting a place to stay but what he really wants is a job. That's a problem—he lost his

wallet and all its contents—so he needs a new state ID. But in order to get an ID, he needs a birth certificate.

> The Foundation helps people get these important documents because we want them to get a job even more than they do. Together with Joe, we find the birth certificate website for Oklahoma—where he was born. Going through the online application process we find that Joe needs a photo ID, a utility bill or a rent receipt to prove his identity. Homeless people

> > and Joe lost his photo ID—which prompted this search in the first place. So it looks like Joe has to find his way back to Oklahoma and appear in person to obtain a birth certificate.

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Teams of 6-8 people should arrive 2:30-3:30pm.

### dec

	sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday	
		1 First Baptist & Crossroads.TV	Pleasant Chapel	3 Faith Memorial Church	4 Crossroads.TV	5 Steve Templin's Church	6 Hutsler Family	
7	Area Catholics	8 Emanuel Lutheran		Fairfield Christian North	Bible Holiness Church	Shalom UMC	All God's Children	
14	New Life Canal Winchester	Anchor Hocking		Lancaster Vineyard	Rockbridge Advent Christian	19 Boy Scouts	Thurston UMC	
21	Word of Promise	22 Mill's Memorial UMC & One Write		24 The Well	Redeemer Lutheran	Pine Grove UMC	Fairfield Community	
28	Grace Small Group	29 Lancaster 1st Presbyterian		New Life Christian Center				

### jan

	sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday	
					Fifth Ave. CC & Crossroads.TV	Maple Street UMC	Hutsler Family	
4	Fairfield Christian Church	5 Lithopolis UMC	6 First Baptist	7 Faith Memorial Church	8 Fairfield Union High School	9 Faith Lutheran Church	Area Catholics	
11	Millersport UMC	12 Area Catholics	Home Schoolers	Hopewell UMC	15 Sixth Ave UMC & FCA High School	Fairfield Medical Center	Peace Lutheran	
18	Community Church	Fairfield National Bank	20 St. Michael's U. Church of Christ	21 Lancaster United Brethren	St. Paul's Lutheran	Pine Grove UMC	Rockbridge Advent Christian	
25	Zion UMC	26 Mill's Memorial UMC & One Write	Lancaster 1st UMC	Fairfield Christian Youth	Lancaster 1st Presbyterian	Gloryland Nazarene	New Life Christian Center	

### feb

	sunday	monday	tuesday		wednesday		thursday		friday		saturday	
1	Area Catholics & Crossroads.TV	2 First Baptist	3	Pleasant Chapel	4	Faith Memorial Church	5	Crossroads.TV	6	Steve Templin's Church	7	Hutsler Family
8	Fairfield Christian Church	9 Lithopolis UMC		New	11	Fairfield Christian North	12	Bible Holiness Church	13	Shalom UMC	14	All God's Children
15	Millersport UMC	16 Area Catholics		Cedar Hill UMC	18	Lancaster Vineyard	19	Rockbridge Advent Christian	20	Victory Hill Seniors	21	Thurston UMC
22	Grace Small Group	23 Mill's Memorial UMC & One Write		ncaster 1st UMC	25	The Well	26	Redeemer Lutheran	27	Pine Grove UMC	28	Fairfield Community



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But that's not all. Joe has no transportation, so any job must be within walking distance of the shelter. Joe only finished 8th grade, so he is competing with people who have a diploma and transportation. His resume shows unemployment for almost a year and prior to that he was incarcerated for 7 years.

I forgot to mention that Joe is bipolar and should be taking regular medication, but has not done so since his release because he cannot afford medical care or even the cost of the prescription.

Will you hire Joe? (Joe is not an actual client, but is a composite of several clients and is clearly representative of many of the men who come through our door.)

### Please PRAY:

- For wisdom, compassion and boldness when we minister to our clients.
- God will prepare the hearts of the lost as He brings them to us.
- For protection for the staff as we minister to some potentially dangerous people.
- God will raise up people to provide finances to continue this ministry.
- God will direct the people He wants to minister and be ministered to as they serve the Foundation Dinners.



Gary Corner,
part-time
Counselor at
the Foundation
Dinners, collects
demographic
information from
each of our clients,

assists them with their needs where possible and introduces them to our Lord Jesus Christ.

Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen.

~ I Corinthians 10:31, Romans 11:36

### we need your support

Thank you to all who support the Foundation Dinners. We could not exist without your volunteering, food donations, and financial donations.

We are learning how to make our finances stretch further as donations for 2014 have been considerably lower than last year. However our needs are greater as we are serving more meals than ever and working with more clients.

We hope you will remember us as the year draws to a close. Please support our efforts to help the homeless and needy of our community. The work is expanding and we are seeing positive results—people changing their lives for the better, people coming out of poverty, homeless people finding places to live, and people that are in need of hot meals being fed to the full. But the work yet to be done is huge.

We believe helping the people of our own community is as important as any overseas mission. If the poor of our community are helped out of poverty, it reduces crime and improves our local economy (employment is good). We encourage our clients to work as much as possible. With counseling, job search help and encouragement we have seen people returning to the work force.

When people have lost everything—job, family, friends and even their pride—it's hard to look up and think anything

good might happen. We do our best to encourage these people to have a positive outlook on life and to continue searching for employment, moving from laziness, depression or dependence on government funding.

Finding a job is a great thrill for our clients and it encourages us as well to see the smiles on their faces. It's such a joy to see them back on their feet, finding housing and employment.

Only with your support can we continue our service to these hurting, needy members of our community. Please consider us this year as our reserves are dwindling. We do need your help.

Thank you and God bless!

Gary Clum

Agency Director

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or by sending a check to
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# FOUNDATION

is dedicated to responding to the Gospel of Jesus Christ\*. He calls upon each follower to respond to the needs of the downcast with a merciful heart, supplying not only words, but also and most importantly, deeds. \*Matthew 25:31-46

Any church, individual, business, industry, school or court system that believes in expressing compassion to the victims of poverty and neglect, are invited to join in this effort to relieve human suffering.

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