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# The Foundation Dinners

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# Building PROJECT



Hopefully in early September we will begin the construction of a new 900 sq. foot kitchen facility next to our dinner building. The building will provide a larger kitchen space for volunteers to work more efficiently and comfortably. The current kitchen is cramped when we have more than 4 or 5 workers at a time. The dining area is often over flowing with people, forcing some to eat meals outside in the heat or cold under the awning. Moving to the new kitchen will make more space will be available for dinning.

With the blessing of Mayor Dave Smith, this expantion has been made possible through the help of many people in our community. Anyone interested in volunteering with constructon labor, please call Gary Clum at 740 653 3233. Please mail financial donations to Foundation Dinners, 1000 W. Fifth Avenue, Lancaster, OH 43130. We also always welome visitors to see what we are doing at the Foundation Dinners.



## Marty's Story

I arrive each morning before 8:00, put out milk and donuts, and make coffee. This morning ten people were waiting. Two were small children. The temperature will be in the low 90's today. We provide a place to get out of the heat and also the cold. We have extended our hours of service for over a year now.



All are welcome here! We are all like family and friends. We talk, joke, play cards, read books and sometimes study the Bible. My job is like a barber. I hear the good and the bad. I have learned that in life, everyone has a story. Some people have lost their homes and I have listened and watched as they have struggled to start over again. I have seen people get jobs and start on the road to recovery. I have also seen people lose their jobs and wonder what to do next.

As I sit here through the day, the good people of Lancaster are always bringing donations of food. One day I was on my knees searching for creamer with no success. Twenty minutes later, a woman who was my Brownie leader many years ago, brought a container of Coffee Mate<sup>®</sup>. A former schoolmate of mine also brings 2 gallons of milk plus a can of coffee every week. At noon I always have a volunteer who helps with the meal. Thank God for volunteers.

I give God all the thanks for letting me make a difference in so many lives. It is with the grace of God I can do this. My life belongs to Him and it is a good life. He supplies all my needs – not my wants, but all my needs. The message I try to convey is that if a person will just let God have their life, He will take care of them. Maybe not like they think He should, but by doing what is best for them. *God is a good God!* 







The 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

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#### PARTNER CALENDAR

#### August 2010

	sunday	unday monday		tuesday		wednesday		thursday		friday		saturday	
1	Area Catholics	2	Southeastern Correctional Inst.	3	Kroger Stores	4	Faith Memorial Church	5	South Central Power Company	6	Amanda Presbyterian	7	Huster Family
8	Joy Acres Church of God	9	Emanuel Lutheran	10	New Connection	11	Fairfield Christian North	12	Bible Holiness Church	13	Shalom UMC	14	All God's Children
15	Word of Promise	16	Anchor Hocking	17	Cedar Hill UMC	18	Lancaster Vineyard	19	Rockbridge Advent	20	Bremen Jerusalem	21	Thurston UMC
22	Zion UMC	23	Mill's Memorial UMC	24	Lancaster 1st UMC	25	Covenant Christian	26	Redeemer Lutheran	27	Pine Grove UMC	28	Fairfield Community
29	Lancaster First Presbyterian	30	New Life Christian Center	31	New Life Christian Center								

The Partner Calendar for upcoming months is available on our website www.hungryhomeless.org





Golden Corral has decided to help support our mission to the homeless and needy. They are donating food and 10% of the opening day profits to Foundation Dinners. I was there on opening day and have seen the new restaurant and believe that it is a great place to eat. By supporting Golden Corral with your dining, you will also be helping the homeless and needy of our community.

Thank you and God bless!

~Gary Clum

### NEEDS AT THE FOUNDATION DINNERS

- Donations
- Cooking spray
- Milk
- Meat & lunch meat
- Canned vegetables & fruit
- Sugar-free Pies
- Juice or various drinks
- Salad dressing
- Coffee & creamer
- Butter or margarine
- Mayonnaise
- Sweeteners (Splenda®, Equal®, etc.)
- · Disposable bowls
- 8 oz. disposable cups
- Plastic forks & spoons
- Plastic wrap
- 40-50 Gal trash bags
- Paper towels

Fairfield Medical Center

- Toilette paper
- Grocery bags

Donations accepted 2:30-5:30 daily. Financial contributions made payable to:

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