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WHEELER MISSION

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THANK YOU FOR LOVING YOUR NEIGHBOR, ARTHUR,

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and giving him hope for the future!

Homeless Services • Residential Programs • Addiction Recovery • Social Enterprises • For Men and Women

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A rthur grew up in a loving, tight-knit family and spent 20 years working alongside his beloved father, building Hummers at American Motors. "We had a very good life," Arthur says.

But the Indianapolis plant closed down, and before long, Arthur's father fell terminally ill. "I spent my time taking care of him. I knew that's what God wanted me to do."

After his father passed, Arthur sensed the Lord calling him into ministry, so he buried his grief and went to work at a rescue mission. Then, 18 months later, he sustained another painful blow. His mother was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. "I spent a lot of time praying that God would heal her. I said, 'Take me instead.' But God said, 'No. I have more for you to do.""

When his mother passed, Arthur fell into a deep depression. He couldn't work and wound up losing everything. "I found myself homeless," he says. "After the loss of my mother and father, I felt like there was nothing left for me."

Then, one day, God broke through Arthur's despair. "I sensed Him say, 'Get yourself together.""

That's when Arthur came to Wheeler Mission,

where Bible studies, Christ-centered classes, and the guidance of his case manager helped him process his grief and surrender to the Lord's will for his life. "I remembered that I'm a child of God, and He has things for me to do."

The love here touched my soul and spirit.

When he was ready, our staff helped Arthur craft his resume, find a job, and get settled in a place of his own. He works for Amazon now, shining the light of the Lord and inspiring his employer to donate new clothing to Wheeler Mission. And, in his free time, Arthur volunteers here, sharing his testimony of transformation.

Arthur is thankful for the way you have answered God's calling to love your neighbor as yourself—and have helped him learn how to love himself. "Wheeler Mission helped me recover what I'd lost so that I could help others."

"Serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" — Galatians 5:13b-14

A meal and care for \$2.08 is an easy way to LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!

A Message from PERRY G. HINES

Thank you for loving your neighbors as yourself

We all need a helping hand from time to time. No one makes it through life without a little care and compassion along the way. That's what loving your neighbors is all about, right?

And yet, you and I know that God's Word has a way of challenging us to go further, of stretching our faithfulness beyond what we thought possible. The Lord makes the impossible POSSIBLE at Wheeler Mission, thanks to the generosity of friends like YOU.

Now, as the summer months approach, I hope we can count on you during our 3-month Love Your Neighbor campaign.

Time and time again in Scripture, we're told not just to "love your neighbor" but to "love your neighbor as yourself." That's a big difference! It's making the needs of others a priority equal with your own from the beginning.

I'm so grateful for friends like you who give in this way to help men, women, and children in Central and South Central Indiana who are hurting and experiencing homelessness. And I ask for your continued support through the summer, when the weather can be dangerous for people who live outside.

Thank you for offering a helping hand to your neighbors most in need—and for continuing to love them **as yourself**.

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LOVE YOUR

98-DAY SUMMER CAMPAIGN

Give now! WheelerMission.org

Support our Summer Campaign to restore hearts and rebuild families!

Special **EVENTS**

Our fun and engaging events invite community friends and partners to join us in raising funds and awareness for our neighbors in need.

Register now or plan to join us for the following events that benefit Wheeler Mission and our community:

100 Holes for the Homeless Monday, June 26, 2023. 100HolesForTheHomeless.com

Strength In Our Streets Saturday, September 16, 2023 **StrengthInOurStreets.com**

Drumstick Dash Thursday, November 23, 2023 **DrumstickDash.org**



Change Lives — Even Yours!

A year after Mara Soriano's mother died, she lost a teddy bear that played a recorded message in her mom's voice. When word of the bear's disappearance reached a famous actor on social media, he offered a \$5,000 reward. Within days, the stuffed animal was returned.

We love hearing inspiring stories. We feel good when we give or serve. But many of us want to do much more than give a little and "feel good."

What if you could give, make an ongoing impact, and get much more than a rush of satisfaction in return? A Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA) lets you do just that. It's a Win-Win-Win.

A CGA is a contract made between a donor and a charity like Wheeler Mission where everybody wins. The benefits include:

- Fixed, reliable payments for life
- An immediate charitable tax deduction
- Partially tax-free income
- Ability to avoid capital gains (when giving appreciated stock)

Acts 20:35b says, "It is more blessed to give than to receive," and when we give in ways that align with our Christian faith, it feels even sweeter.

For the full version of this article, request a FREE copy of "How to Give so Everyone Wins" by contacting Steve Germani at

 (574) 358-1270 or □ stevegermani@wheelermission.org— or bless your family today with an up-to-date will at □ christianwill.org/wheelermission.

A Thrift Store WITH A CAUSE!

WHEELER MISSION STORE

The **Wheeler Mission Store** houses hidden treasures and great bargains: gently used clothing, furniture, household items, tools, toys, bikes, and more.

When you make a donation or shop at our store, you're helping raise money to support our life-changing services, while giving our hurting neighbors access to affordable essentials.

Shop at The Wheeler Mission Store at

8640 E 96th St, Fishers, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Want to be the first to snag a deal? Be sure to "like" and "follow" Wheeler Mission Store's Facebook page at **facebook.com/wheelermissionstore/**