

Loving God and Loving People 

OPERATING HOURS UPDATE:

- **Help Office:** M/T/TH/F: 9 am - 3 pm
Wednesday: 10 am - 3 pm
- **Food Pantry:** Tuesday - Thursday: 10 am - 2 pm
Tuesday Evenings: 5 pm - 7 pm
- **Resale Store:** Monday - Saturday 9 am - 4 pm
Tuesdays ONLY: Open until 7 pm

OUR VISION

is to see all people living out, in words and actions,
the life transforming love of Jesus Christ.

Visions Become Reality Through Missions

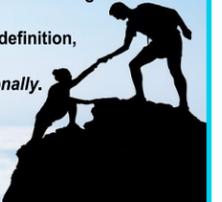
OUR MISSION

is to mobilize local churches to transform lives and communities

LOVE In the Name of Christ, in its most basic form,
is a partnership of local Christian churches working in a coordinated
way to address and respond to the needs of our neighbors.

The Church is ideally suited, by design and definition,
to address human needs...
spiritually, physically, relationally and emotionally.

Love INC brings churches together into one
working unit to share the love of God
with our neighbors in need.



Leadership Change Announcement

A letter to you from Executive Director Michele Zimmerman

Dear Love INC Family, Churches and Community Neighbors,

For the past 17 years, it has been my privilege and deep honor to have served as the executive director for Love In the Name of Christ of Newaygo County. During this time, with the love and help of so many, I have grown as a leader - spiritually, relationally and in ability. Along the way, I have gained wonderful team members, friends, mentors and prayer partners. This has truly been the position of a lifetime. I have treasured being a part of this amazing Love INC family and community. I will miss you all very much.

Now, as some of you know, for the past six years, I have sensed God's call to "open my hands and hold my time at Love INC loosely"...waiting on Him for direction. My husband, Sheldon, and I believe this is the time God is calling us to move to the Menominee, MI area - to be closer to my parents. It was a very heart wrenching decision to resign now, however, I firmly believe that the ministry is stronger than ever and the mission will carry forward in the spirit-filled, skilled hands of our staff. I will never truly leave Love INC. Our vision, mission and core values are a part of my personal mission and values as well.

Our Board of Directors recognizes the importance of continuity and they are moving with deliberate speed to recruit a new, Godly leader. During this transition, we are fortunate to have a seasoned, very capable, God-led staff in place. To support their work, should there be an interval, Trish Abbott, our Operations Manager, will step in as the Interim Director.

Thank you for all you do to support the ministry of Love In the Name of Christ of Newaygo County. May our vision "To see all people living out, in words and actions, the life-transforming love of Jesus Christ" become reality.



With love and gratitude,

Michele D. Zimmerman

A message from Board President, Jonathan Grice

Greetings everyone,

It is with a mixture of sadness and gratitude that we must announce Michele (Shelley) Zimmerman's resignation as the Executive Director of Love In the Name of Christ of Newaygo County.

Shelley has led Love INC through many seasons in her 17 years here and has faithfully served her participants, staff, volunteers, and partner churches. She leaves our organization in a very strong position for continuing to carry out our mission "to mobilize local churches to transform lives and communities In the Name of Christ." The Board prays God's blessing will continue to be on her as she and her family lean into this next chapter.

The Board has identified an Executive Director search committee and will begin working to fill the position over the next few months. While we are casting a wide net through the national network of Love INC, we are also looking locally, knowing that our area has many outstanding people with a heart specifically for the Church in west-central Michigan. Shelley's last day will be July 31, at which point a successor or interim Executive Director will be named.

Until then, we are confident that Shelley and the staff will work together to make this a smooth transition. Please feel free to reach out to any members of the Board with questions. Also, you are welcome to contact Shelley to thank her for her years of work on behalf of the churches in Newaygo county.



For those interested, we will be posting the Executive Director job description and search announcement on Facebook very soon.

Best,

Jonathan Grice
Board President
Love INC of Newaygo County