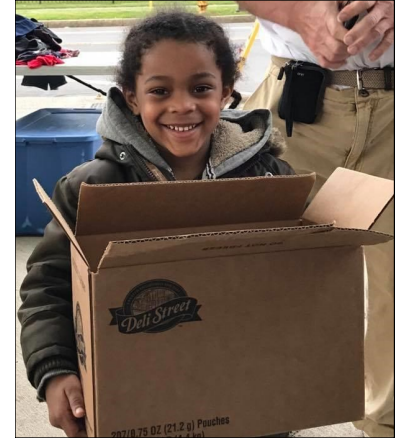




Mark 7:27: Let the children first be fed...



A child with a box of groceries at a Clinton Avenue outreach.

Isaiah 6:8: Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I; send me."

UPDATE FROM PASTOR RUSS AND ANNE LORIA

The Father's Heart: established April 30, 2011



God faithfully leads people to His word

The Lord is so faithful, as we wrote two months ago in our newsletter. He is faithful to bring saints to encourage us at The Father's Heart.

Recently at Pinnacle Place apart-

ments a woman came up to us and said in tears, "I just want to thank you for coming here the last several years. Many are here just for the food, but as I am a believer in Christ, I am here for the word and encouragement, and that is what you bring me: comfort and strength."

2 Timothy 4:7 says, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." Jesus is so faithful that when He knows we need encouragement, He brings it.

AT THE Pines of Perinton outreaches two young Muslim girls have been coming every month after the gospel message because their parents won't allow them to come for the message. Our question to God has been, "How can we get the word to them?"

BUT AS scripture says, the Lord is the Lord of salvation. We encouraged them to go home and pray in bed every night and ask God to reveal who He really is to them.

When we asked the youngest of the girls if she's praying every night, she shook her head yes. Our prayer is that our God who is faithful will reveal that Jesus Christ is their God, King and Savior.

ALSO AT the end of the outreach, two Muslim men came to get some food although they did not eat a hot meal because it was Ramadan and they were fasting. They took groceries for later. They spoke very little English and got out enough to say that they speak Swahili.

How could we minister the gospel to them? We give out a video called

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God of Wonders to many people on the streets, and as we looked at the DVD label we saw that it is in Swahili! Praise God!

AS WE gave the DVD to them we pointed out that it was in their language. They had huge smiles on their faces as they realized that they could watch this video in their language. Pray that our God would reveal Himself to them.

As Mark 16:15 says, "And he said to them, 'Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to all the creation.'" We thank the Lord that He brings many tribes and nations to The Father's Heart. Let us all pray that He continues to bring the people and that we remember that in God's kingdom to come all of God's children will be singing, "Worthy, worthy is the Lamb."

God Bless — Russ and Anne Loria

November 4, 2017



"Bountiful Blessings," The Father's Heart fundraiser.

Catered by Carrabba's Italian Grill.

Tickets will be available in September. Mark your calendar for **Nov. 4**. You won't want to miss this event!



Servants from The Lamp Community Church share the good news.

By Kelly Davids

Pray that we're bold for our Lord

In May, I was yet again amazed by the mighty hand of the Lord, yet I don't know why I should be!

I WAS supposed to go to The Father's Heart headquarters outreach on the second Saturday of May, but was unable to make it. So, for the first time I went to Hudson Avenue a week later with The Lamp Community Church.

The enemy was there trying to prevent the word of the Lord, BUT GOD, greater is He that is in us, than he that is in the world!

Surrounded by sisters and brothers in Christ, we worshiped and praised God, and the word was shared. I saw sisters and brothers praying in groups; I was ever so blessed to be in a group of nine or 10 people representing just about every age group!

BROTHER JOHN and I and everyone in our group prayed the sinner's prayer with every person who was receiving Jesus in their heart. We finished with cheers and tears! I

handed out more Bibles that day than I have so far previously!

GOD IS so good! As the song says, not to be blessed that I asked Him into my heart/family, but that He asked me into His!

About two years ago I went to The Father's Heart for the first time to serve and help bless those in need, but I always leave feeling more blessed myself. I love my time at The Father's Heart, but my mission of administrator, wife, and mother of three is my first full-time love. So I go as often as I am able, and encourage all to go, and see God's mighty hand at work.

I ASK for continued prayers for myself, The Father's Heart and all of my beautiful sisters and brothers in Christ — that we will start a revival and be bold for our Lord and Savior, till He calls us home!

God Bless— Kelly Davids

The Father's Heart

Our mission is to share the love of Christ with as many people as possible and try to enhance the quality of life for all to whom we witness on the streets.

We share the word of God and feed and clothe people of the streets of Rochester, bringing hope that Jesus will grab hold of their hurting, lonely, hopeless hearts to be His hands and feet extended in love!

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Extended Ministries of The Father's Heart

By Frank and Diane Rivaldo

The Lord brings those who search for Him

Summer has arrived, and the East Rochester outreach resumed June 8. We have been waiting because of the rain and cold weather.

After getting off to a rocky start with flat tires and a broken axle on the hot dog cart (which Pastor Russ took care off the day before we were getting ready to go), we had a good outreach.

WE PRAYED for the people to come and were a little worried when no one but the servants showed up. Then, as always, God was faithful and people started coming. A verse popped into my head, "O ye of little faith." I reminded myself that whether 50 people or five people show up, the Lord brings those who are searching for Him.

As it turned out, a large number of children were there and listened intently to the message. A meal of hot dogs, beans and rice was served. Then we were asked to pray with a mother who thought she might have breast cancer. She was grateful for the prayer and appreciated our concern for her.

I THINK The Father's Heart is getting to be known more and more, as people ask when we are coming again. God is using The Father's Heart all over Rochester and He continues to bless the ministry. Our prayer is to see more people come to Christ and be saved.



A hot meal is served at Pinnacle Place apartments in Rochester.

We will continue to serve until He comes again or until we are not able, but we can all still pray for the lost and their salvation.

"IS IT not to share your bread with the hungry, and that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out ..." (Isaiah 58:7)?

Extended Ministries conducts outreaches from spring to fall on the second Thursday of the month at Northside Park in East Rochester and year-round on the third Thursday of the month at Pinnacle Place apartments in Rochester and on the third Saturday of the month at The Pines of Perinton apartments. To volunteer, contact Frank and Diane Rivaldo at frivaldo@outlook.com

God Speaks Through the City

Part 21: John 10:4-5
By a servant in Christ

He goes before His sheep and they follow His voice

John 10:4-5 states that faithful sheep know His voice and obey when He calls. Unfortunately, at times sheep can be confused and distracted by earthly worries.

This is the first of two stories about a sheep that first followed but then ignored the Spirit of Truth. Both stories took place at the same location within one hour.

It was early during our outreach at The Father's Heart headquarters and two people had already arrived even before tables and food were set up. I welcomed a gentleman in a wheelchair (one of our regulars) and noticed a hurting lady standing next to him. She seemed close to the point of collapse.

I ASKED "Emily" how she was doing. She softly said "OK." Sister Anne also sensed her troubles and encouraged her through Jesus.

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I noticed Emily's condition was deteriorating so I went in the house and grabbed a folding chair. By the time I returned, she was sitting on the ground. When asked if she would like to sit on the chair, she nodded her head and slowly got up.

I PRAYED for wisdom to help me find the right tracts or anything that could help her. Scouring through shelves and tables on both floors, I noticed a book on the floor, *An Anchor for the Soul: Help for the Present, Hope for the Future*. The book title is based on Hebrews 6:19 and it seemed right on. I asked Sister Anne if she was familiar with the book and if it might help Emily. She replied: "I think it's perfect..." Praise God for guiding me to it.

I RUSHED out enthusiastically with the book only to find out Emily was gone. I took one last look up and down Lake Avenue, and noticed a very distant figure of a person walking southbound.

I was convinced it was Emily. Since the discussions and book search had taken only 15 to 20 minutes, I was



Pastor Jeff of Petra Christian Fellowship shares the gospel during an outreach on Thurston Road.

surprised how far she had walked. Her collapse was clearly of a spiritual, not a physical nature.

WAS IT too late? The Spirit of Truth was very clear: TAKE HER THE BOOK. How? Run! But Lord, I have had many back problems, it has been a long time since I ran such a distance, she is far away ... blah, blah. Still the answer was clear: Run!

Jesus, help me.

So, I ran. Emily was walking fast and it seemed that my running just wasn't cutting it. I wanted to stop. Don't stop, run!

ABOUT HALF a mile later I identified Emily with certainty. I saw her walk by a man sitting on a bench and they briefly exchanged words. Getting close, now less than half a block away, Emily suddenly turned around and screamed: "WHY ARE YOU FOLLOWING ME????!!!"

That was startling but her reaction was understandable; it appeared as if a man up to no good was chasing her. I stopped running and slowly walked toward her looking down and holding up the book. She appeared confused, and squinted to make out what I was offering.

WHEN I got about 10 feet away she realized what was up and burst

into tears. She walked toward me, accepted the book, and embraced it as she cried. I told her, "Jesus loves you" and walked away.

AS I walked back to the house, a bit shaken up, 1 Thessalonians 5:22, one of the most misinterpreted Bible verses came to mind: "Abstain from all appearance of evil." What I did certainly appeared evil, especially given the neighborhood.

Returning to John 10:4-5, "And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know His voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers."

EMILY'S REACTION in accepting the book reassured me that the voice I had heard was of the Spirit of Truth, not of a stranger. Praise God, later that morning Emily was drawn back to the outreach. However, within minutes this sheep would have doubt, confusion, and not know His voice.

To be continued.

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