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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."

Isaiah 55:10-11: For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither ... So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void ...



Sharing the Gospel in bitter cold.

#### UPDATE FROM RUSS AND ANNE LORIA

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Your faithful prayers make the difference

ebrews 4:16 states, "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." We often say, "All we can do is pray." But a wise women stated to us one day in a church that we were visiting, "That is not all we can do. That is what we get to do and

That is what we *get* to do and what we *need* to do." How true that is. Prayer is so important in our daily lives with the Lord, and here at The Father's Heart it has to be first and foremost, as it should be in any ministry or daily walk with the Lord. Psalm 5:3 says, "My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up." Prayer is looking up, being still, hearing His voice, and crying to Him for mercy and grace.

AT EVERY outreach of The Father's Heart — whether it is at the Cadillac Hotel, the Pines of Perinton or on the soup bus — many prayers are lifted up before, during and after. For all of

the prayer warriors out there, we want to say thank you for those prayers and to keep them coming because without them the ministry wouldn't be able to go on, and all of the servants wouldn't be able to go on; the prayers are felt.

BUT THE prayer that touches us the most at The Father's Heart is the prayer of repentance from the lost who are ministered to. Just as it says in Luke 15:10, "Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." How great of a blessing it is to see one of His children cry out to Him.

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are lifted up to our Great High Priest for those who are still lost, are still searching for the truth, are addicted to drugs or alcohol, are feeling abandoned, or are sick. We have the honor of calling to our Savior to set them free, to make His presence known, to keep knocking on their hearts, and to heal them from their illnesses.

**DO WE** always see the healing? Do we always see the repentance or the chains be broken and the blinders removed? No. but we are called to continue to pray, to cry out to our God, to not lose hope but to wait on the Lord as David said in Psalm 27:14: "Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord." We need to continue to comfort the hurting with the prayers and words of encouragement, along with telling them the truth of their sin and need for repentance.

AT ONE outreach there was a woman who stood in the corner of the crowd, weeping and weeping for a friend who almost lost his life to drugs the prior night. He had survived, praise God. A servant walked over to her and asked what was wrong, and as she shared her story and the tears fell, the servant said, "Your friend was given another chance at life, along with you. Are you going to look to Jesus and surrender and call out for help?" The woman just said, "Can you please just pray for

#### 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 whom we witness to 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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me?" When the servant was done praying, the woman thanked the servant and gave the servant a big hug and walked away.

THE SERVANT will continue to pray for that woman that she will be healed — healed from the hurt, the addiction, the fear and the hopelessness. Pray that she would truly surrender her whole heart and life to the Lord.

We love you all so much and covet your prayers, as we continue to pray for you, the prayer warriors.

God Bless.

Russ and Anne Loria

**James 5:16:** The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.



Children wait at the Cadillac Hotel while their mother seeks assistance.

## **Cadillac Hotel**

By Frank and Diane Rivaldo

## Despite our vacation, the Gospel went forth

e would like to thank everyone who took care of the outreach at the Cadillac Hotel while we were gone on vacation in Florida to visit with my brother for three weeks.

It's great to know that in our absence the outreach still went on without a problem. The people who filled in for us did a great job, and we are very grateful to all of them.

We are sure that the message of the Gospel went forth as it always does, touching people's

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hearts and giving them hope in Jesus Christ.

THERE ARE many faithful servants in The Father's Heart ministry who give so much of themselves every week to make sure the ministry is successful in ministering to those who don't know the Lord, and are needful of so many things. Thanks to those who supply food for the needy, and who take time out of their busy day to either cook or deliver food.

It's been said it is more blessed to give than to receive. If you would like to experience what that is like, consider coming out some Thursday with us, or join Russ and Anne on one of their outreaches, or go to the Pines of Perinton some Saturday. It truly is a joy to serve the Lord, and I am sure He is pleased when we show the love of Christ to those in need.

**IF YOU** are unable to come out on the outreaches, you can always pray for the ministry. Your prayers are very important to the success of The Father's Heart



## Outreach needs for March and April

Powdered lemonade, iced tea and Kool-Aid mixes.

## **Pines of Perinton**

By Scott and Robin Wilson

# 'Break my heart for what breaks Yours'

t has been almost eight years since I opened my kitchen cupboards and saw only a box of macaroni and cheese.

I was a single mother with three young children to feed and no money to buy food. Every morning the girls and I would start the day with prayer thanking God for what we had and asking Him to provide our needs. The Bible says, "But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19)."

THIS PARTICULAR day showed God's gracious hand on my family. When I returned home from work, I found six bags full of groceries at my front door.

I have no doubt that the reason God has chosen me to serve at the Pines of Perinton is to show the people who live there the same love and compassion that was shown me.

This past month it was brought to my attention that Maria, a very dear resident of the Pines, had no food — nothing at all. My heart broke as I heard the situation.

TWO DAYS later Maria was blessed with more groceries than she knew what to do with. Maria doesn't speak or understand much English, but that day she understood the love of God with not a single word being spoken. Lord, as the worship song *Hosanna* asks of You, "Break my heart for what breaks Yours."



## **Clothing bulletin**

We need only children's and men's clothing at this time. We are well-supplied with women's clothing. Thank you for your abundance of giving!



To donate to The Father's Heart through PayPal, please go to thefathersheartroc.org and click the "Donate" tab for the PayPal icon.

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Servants share food, clothing and the love of Jesus during an outreach at Hudson Avenue and Bernard Street.



Several Southview Towers residents commit their lives to Jesus Christ.

## The first commandment

Mark 12:28-31: And one of the scribes came, and ... asked him, "Which is the first commandment of all?" And Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments is, 'Hear, O Israel; the Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength': this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.'



A young servant offers a meal at North Clinton Avenue and Oakman.



A little snow can't stop the Gospel.

Barnes

The line winds around the corner at Lyell Avenue and Sherman Street.

John 4:35: Behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.