

What Happens to People We Help

Dear Readers,

Sometimes I am asked when I have an opportunity to speak to various organizations, “Do you just help people out and then leave? What is done to help these people carry on, from the time you help them get on their feet, into the future?” I tell them how I explain to the recipient the importance of a budget and how it can show your financial shortcomings. When a thorough budget is in place, I review it with them and find where they can make adjustments. I check different areas where they can improve their income and lower their expenses, while improving their quality of life. Sometimes it is difficult because the people are already doing whatever they can to live within their means. At times it takes working overtime, finding a second job or possibly a better job to make ends meet. Occasionally it requires moving in order to obtain a lower rent and usually a better dwelling.

Quite often I receive letters from people we have helped, after some time has passed, expressing appreciation for all we have done. One example that is very close to my heart is a single mom who had one handicapped child. Her ex-husband, who had been very abusive to the single mom, had taken up with another woman. When he had visitation rights, he would take his daughter to his house and continue his abusive cycle on his handicapped daughter. He cut all her hair off and when she complained, he grabbed her by the ankle and pulled her down the steps. Of course every time the mother tried going to court, the so-called Guardian ad Litem, who had been appointed by the court, convinced the judge that it was okay to allow this disabled, defenseless child to go over to the father’s house and assured the judge that the stories of abuse were exaggerated. I want to say here and now, there are some very fine Guardian ad Litem doing a wonderful job; this was not one of them. Even though the daughter would be crying and shaking, her hair was cut off and photos of her bruises inflicted by her father were given to the police, they still believed the father. While there is much more to this story, we were able to provide help for the mother and her child.

Before we met, the mother had sold everything trying to make ends meet because the father was not paying child support. He counted his few days of taking his child to his house, to abuse her, as his contribution

toward her support. He had been required to pay next to nothing, which had left the mother and her daughter destitute. The job the mother was working at was a very low paying service job. You can imagine how it would be to try to stretch your meager income to pay for your rent, utilities and food, as well as taking care of a child with special needs.

We helped this woman get relocated, and best of all, after numerous unnecessary court dates, the courts finally prevented the father from having any further visitation with the child, due to the overwhelming evidence proving his abuse. With her prayers answered at last, the mother got an incredible job working for a very compassionate employer. As a result she was able to gain her financial independence, raise her self-confidence and care for her child independently.

I have received six letters from the mother and daughter thanking us for everything *The Time Is Now* has done to help. She assured us she has worked through her pain and suffering and her daughter survived the abuse and is happy now. They are living the life that God wants for all of us; a life filled with happiness and love. She always closes her letters with a postscript. "I will never forget all those who are associated with *The Time Is Now*. You changed my life and my daughter's life, giving us the support and strength necessary to make the moves that we did, helping us financially to get on our feet and giving us direction to start a new life. At the beginning of every day, I start with gratitude to God and to all of you for helping change our lives. At the conclusion of each day, my daughter and I kneel, we thank God for being there and sending all the angels of *The Time Is Now to Help*."

Now and then this woman stops by to say hello. Every time she leaves, her appreciation to all of us is so great that it seems as though she only recently acquired her newfound freedom from her abusive husband and her financial despairs, rather than a year ago. She looks at me with tears in her eyes, a smile on her face saying, "I thank God for the day *The Time Is Now* changed my life and saved my daughter's."

As all of you can see, once again, we have changed someone's life for the better and with God's help, in every way we can, we stop abusers in their tracks.

Together we help people, with a passion and concern for them, NOW and into the future.

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God Bless Everyone,
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WWJD – Our Fellow Creations Need Our Help

We presently have 103 requests for help. In order to help ease the pain and sorrow of poverty, please donate what you can. Any funding you could Care and Share with the less fortunate would be greatly appreciated.

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so they can regain their independence, retain their jobs, provide food and necessities for their families, and ease their pain and suffering. Thank You and God Bless You.

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