

# **The Time Is Now to Help**

## **Needs of the Handicapped**

Dear Readers,

In addition to encountering the poverty stricken citizens in our area, I have also come upon many fellow creations that are handicapped; possibly multiply handicapped that find themselves in financial despair.

When I meet people who are poverty stricken in addition to being physically disabled, fellow neighbors trapped inside broken bodies, yet their minds are sharp and intact, I can feel their pain and sorrow rivet through me. Their strength is an inspiration, especially when they keep the faith. They are not crying out in self-pity, but showing strength by still caring about the world and all that goes on in it.

The majority live from month to month, some even go week to week or day to day trying to survive. There have been some that The Time Is Now has helped that did not even know how they were going to get by on that day. This is not how the way of life in our Great Country should be.

I want to share this with every one of us to once again encourage us to count our blessings and say, "Maybe my situation isn't that bad. I wonder how it would be if I was paralyzed or unable to walk, or unable to see." These people have true strength, and when we help we share that strength. The more we can share in the feelings, the poverty they are going through, the more we can go through life being stronger. It's like understanding the feeling of cold, because you know hot; understanding daylight because you know darkness. It is understanding what our blessings are and not being concerned over every trivial thing that is not exactly the way we want it that we understand the true meaning of life. Thank God for all our blessings. Thank God for the wonderful community we live in. God bless each and every one of you for sharing your blessings in life and all the good we do through The Time is Now. I thank all of you for Caring and Sharing.

This week's column may be a little shorter than usual. I am going to spend as much time as possible reaching out to do what all of you want me to do, and that's to help others. May we continue to count our blessings throughout the entire year, and may be we continue to do good in our community. May we make a difference in the lives of the less fortunate. May we help to protect our loved ones from those that drink and drive. May we work on their weakness and give them strength. It is up to us not only to protect some of our loved ones, but all of them. Together may we stand

strong to protect our women and children from predators, from abuse of any kind. It is up to us to draw the line that these actions of brutality are non-acceptable. May we coddle and show love for those victims that need our help and provide a place for them to regain the emotional, physical and mental strength they need to rebuild their lives. These are areas where once again we need to exercise our goodness and our free will to support our fellow creations.

Please remember to Care and Share all year, not just during the Christmas season. We receive most of our support during the Christmas holiday but poverty has no calendar. Please help ease the pain, fear and sorrow of poverty all year long.

Please continue to network to all your friends, relatives, business associates, etc. Pass our column on to them, let them see the need and let us shine on and do what is right with our free will. Let those that are in a position to Care and Share please step up. Helping someone else is the right thing to do. Helping ease the pain and sadness in our great country, right here in our local communities is the American way. Standing up for what is right, Caring and Sharing for all of God's creations in need.

Please excuse me for now, the days are very long. I need your prayers. Those that we help are put before us for a reason. Together we will not ignore their plight.

*Health and Happiness, God Bless Everyone, WC*

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