

Dear W.C.,

My children and I live in a mobile home, and I have been told that if we do not do some repairs we are going to be evicted from the mobile home park. I do not know what to do because I do not have the money or knowledge to do the repairs myself.

My spouse is in hospice care. My children and I are financially struggling because I have been unable to work full-time for several years. I have been caring for my spouse throughout the terminal, degenerative disease. Thank you very much for your consideration of helping us.

A Caring Spouse & Parent

Dear Readers,

When I went to visit I found a very sad situation. One of the parents had to remove themselves from the work force in order to care for the terminally ill spouse at home. I find that poverty can be very cruel with the threat of impending homelessness, especially during such a trying time for this family.

I do understand that the mobile home park has to maintain certain standards in order to preserve everyone's property values. In this case windows, doors and skirting around the base of the trailer needed to be replaced. These were a monumental task for someone without the knowledge or the finances to purchase the materials.

Once again, I called on the incredible Lakeland Builders Association. Together, they very promptly came to the calling, reviewed the situation to determine what materials were needed and repaired the trailer for this family in desperate need.

They were so happy with all the work that was done. Their run down home, once again, became a very nice home they are proud of. They no longer have to feel shame and fear from threats of eviction, with no money and no place to go.

I have to thank the over 300 members of the Lakeland Builders Association, a wonderful group that cares for those in need throughout the communities they serve. I am very proud of such a wonderful, God caring organization giving back to the communities they work in.

There are many we helped in the last few weeks and these are just a short summary of a few. We helped a single mother of two get caught up with her utilities, including getting her electricity turned back on and helped with their rent to keep them from becoming homeless. When I was

departing, the young daughter asked her mother if they would have to live in their car. And the mother replied, “No dear, we are staying here at home thanks to the help we received from The Time Is Now to Help.”

This past week we also helped a mother get diapers for her child along with some household necessities and much needed food.

We helped a widower with his rent, utilities and also some food.

This past week we helped a young man, with a family to support, repair his car so he can get to work. I had to call his employer to vouch for him. His car had broken down three days after he began a new job. The employer wasn't sure what had happened to him. They were very happy with his work but had a hard time believing him when he called to say his car broke down. “He was here for three days and did an excellent job.” the employer said. “It is good to know we hired an honest employee. Thank God he is coming back. I think we are going to have a long future together.” Just getting him reliable transportation helped restore his job and a way to provide for his family.

Once again together, through Caring and Sharing of the many blessings that have been bestowed upon us, we have helped ease the pain and sorrow of poverty.

I also want to thank the Kiwanis who invited me to speak regarding how we help throughout the county and to bring an awareness of our fellow neighbors in need.

*Health and Happiness, God Bless Everyone, WC*

**Desperately Needed Cars:** Once again we have a desperate need for used cars. If anyone has a car they are thinking of trading in or an extra car you are not using, please think of those who are in desperate need of transportation to get them to and from work so they can provide the daily necessities for their families. Without reliable transportation it makes their situation even more desperate. Please Care & Share.

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