

## **The Barnabas \$50,000 Matching Grant Will Bring Desperately Needed Poverty Relief**

Over the years we have found many angels that God has led us to. Sometimes they may be in the form of a client served by our mission that shares a spiritual part of themselves. Other times they come in the form of our generous donors that support our mission to remove the pains of poverty. These past weeks we have been blessed with both kinds of angels. As our struggle to provide our caring and sharing assistance becomes more and more difficult due to lack of funds and obstacles in our way we have found more angels touching our lives.

Several months ago a gentleman who has endured much hardship in his life was brought to our attention. He has suffered the loss of a spouse and the loss of the use of his legs due to an accident. He lives with his children and they help care for each other. He is a good man that has definitely fallen on hard times and he is the kind of person our mission was created to help. When I went to meet this man for the first time I did not know what he would look like or how badly he needed our assistance. I walked into his home in desperate need of repairs and looked into the face of a man who seemed to be full of the Holy Spirit. At the time I did not know how we would have the funds to help this fellow creation with the many areas he needed assistance. Our donations were low and our requests were high. How could we afford to provide him with safe handicap accessible transportation? How could we provide the repairs his home needed to be safe and habitable? At the time our funds were as low as they could be and our donations were much less than needed to provide this help. On top of all the areas of assistance this man would need, there were several other very desperate poverty situations I needed to check on that same week. I was feeling overwhelmed and depressed by the great need put upon my shoulders. Just then this man in a wheelchair looked at me and said, "Don't worry. It will be okay." His face was lit with a spirit I could only describe as from God. An overwhelming sense of calm came over me and I knew God would provide. I gave up my feelings of being overwhelmed and the heavy depression that sat heavy on my heart. I did what so many say and I "Gave it up to God."

In the following weeks many angels stepped forward and provided the means to help this gentleman live a better quality life. A truck was provided that would allow his children to transport him in safely with his electric wheelchair. His home is being repaired to allow he and the children to be safe and healthy. All this was done thanks to all of "You" and our guardian angels, just like this man had so clearly said to me when he looked into my stressed and worried face, "Don't worry. It will be okay." How did he know to say that to me? How could a man that was himself going through so much, give me the knowledge that God was watching over me and our mission? In the coming weeks there were many instances when his face and words came to mind when I needed them most and each time I felt the peace that everything would indeed be okay.

Just as this man and his children are having their lives touched by our mission, there are still so many turning to us in desperation. As our funds again ran drastically low, and we tried to choose who we could and could not help, we tearfully got on our knees and prayed for God to help our fellow creations once more. Just days after these heartfelt prayers an angel appeared in the form of one of our wonderful donors offering a matching grant opportunity. A dear friend and angel to The Time Is Now to Help, the Barnabus donors had called to

provide another \$50,000 Matching Grant opportunity. Their only requirements are to remain anonymous and to hit the ground running with our assistance. The many fellow creations that will be touched by this matching grant will never know the amount of fervent prayer and tears that goes into the assistance we provide. We live and breathe our charity work each and every day. Our volunteers give up their personal time, hobbies and even family time to help us remove the many pains of poverty we find in our communities. And our angels look over us, giving us our strength, encouragement and desperately needed funds to bring about the life changing poverty relief we provide. We cannot thank the Barnabus fund donors and the many other angels that touch our lives and our mission every day. God Bless "You". You and God know who you are and that is what matters.

Please donate to our new Barnabas \$50,000 Matching Grant. Your funds are desperately needed to provide the poverty stricken senior citizens, the handicapped, working poor families, children and veterans in our communities with shelter assistance, utility assistance, transportation assistance, food, toiletries and the many other daily necessities. Every penny of your donation will be matched by the Barnabas \$50,000 Matching Grant and used to provide this poverty relief. Thank you, thank you for your support in helping our fellow Americans in desperate need. God Bless "You" for your compassion and Caring and Sharing for God's creations.

Health & Happiness, God Bless Everyone, W.C./Sal

**Please Help:** There are many coming to us in desperation. Our good fellow creations need our compassion. Together we make a big difference. Make checks payable to: The Time Is Now to Help, P.O. Box 1, Lake Geneva, WI 53147. The Time Is Now to Help is a federally recognized 501(c)3 charitable organization licensed in the states of Wisconsin and Illinois. You will receive a tax deductible, itemized thank you receipt showing how your donation provided assistance for the poverty stricken.

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**Memorials:** Peggy Cardiff in memory of Dot Cardiff, Marty Hansen & Lisa Haydam. The following donations were given in loving memory of Dorothy "Dotsy" Heffernan: Colleen Heffernan, D.J. Heffernan, Shawn & Kristin Heffernan, Catherine Fink, Steven & Laurie Lois, Gerald & Julie Mc Farlin, The Rondinelli Family, Thomas & Cora Janus, Julia Redwine, Joan Ludwig, Loreen Buesing, Dr. Robert & Elizabeth Dillman, .

**Honoraries:** Kathy Rodgers in honor of Richard Driehaus' birthday.

**Prayer Chain:** Please pray for healing for the following people: Mike, Caroline,

Susan, Jennifer, Clarence, Ryan, Jayden, Santana, Alex, Lily, Kaitlyn, Kynesha, Brandi's Grandma, Marilyn, Sal, Corinne.

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