



Christian Life Crisis Intervention, Inc.

# Volunteer Connection

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# COMING SOON!!!

2nd Annual Garage Sale

June 6

Call to donate

I have some great news and some not so great news concerning young people. Juveniles actually. These are kids between the ages of 10-17. The good news is that over a 42 year period, 1980 - 2012, arrests for juveniles for all categories of crimes dropped by 36%. In fact, from the high recorded in 1996, arrests dropped by 54%! The bad news is that today, even with a reduction from 6.5% of the juvenile population, arrests for this group stands at 4%. Not a large percentage. However, numerically, that translates to about 2.5 million kids each year winding up in the juvenile court system!

Since the late 60's, through Opportunity Camp, Baptists in Southeast Texas have faithfully ministered to juveniles caught up in the criminal justice system. Eligibility for participation in Opportunity Camp is dependent on recommendations from our local Southeast Texas Juvenile courts. This year's camp will be help July 27- Aug 1. Christian Life Crisis Intervention will again host Opportunity Camp at Shepherd's Inn. The budget for the camp is approximately \$3,500.00. Per camper, that is about \$135.00. You could make an impact in the life of a juvenile by providing for their camping experience. Your check made out to CLCI Opportunity Camp or accessing our website <a href="https://www.clci.biz">www.clci.biz</a> and donating online will secure your investment in this opportunity for a life changing experience. The change in just one life more than covers the cost for the whole group when compared to the cost of juvenile court! Won't you help? The operational needs of CLCI, Inc. continue?

With hurricane season approaching, we have a desperate need for a new roof. It's estimated cost is \$145,000.00. Any takers? We could make good use of another natural gas generator. With a second unit, we can balance our electrical load and provide continuous power for all of Shepherd's Inn during a disaster situation. Our fire alarm system, which is critical for our safety, needs maintenance and updating. The cost could reach as much as \$20,000.00. These are just a few of the tangible things we need to minister adequately.

Our God has the money for all these projects. And He wants to release it to us through YOU! Please be sensitive to the Spirit's move on your heart as you consider partnering with CLCI in ministering to families in crisis situations!



- Side dishes only, we prepare the main dish
- Deliver on Friday and we heat and serve
- Call today toschedule548-5886

### Shepherd's Inn.....

Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard...and when she got there, the cupboard was bare...

Cereal (all kinds)

Napkins, plastic spoons, paper bowls

Kool Aid , tea, or Lemonade mixes

canned or individual servings of fruit, all kinds

(we are almost out of fruit totally)

egg noodles, Parmesan cheese

flavored individual creamers or small powdered jars graham crackers, vanilla wafers, animal cracker cookies or similar (less sugar than cream filled)

Towels, washcloths (colored)

HEB, Wal Mart, or Market Basket gift cards for meat/fresh fruit/produce

## We are Blessed by YOU!

#### Calvary House...

Things at Calvary House are progressing well. We received a grant for playground equipment for both properties and will be installing those within the month. Thank you to **Young Men's Business League** for their generous support of our ministries.

All of the smoke alarms in Calvary House have been replaced and updated by another grant that was received from one of our weekend guests who works for a citrus packing company that designates non-profits as recipients once a year. We rely on the generosity of our weekend guests and are thankful for their support.



#### **CLCI Welcomes New Interns for Summer**

Due to the success of our resident intern program this past year we will have three students from Lamar Baptist Student Ministry assisting with the day to day chores at Shepherd's Inn. WELCOME Andrew, Reggie, and Kierra!!!

We are still seeking a full-time Retired Missionary couple or Seminary student or couple. Please call for more information.

### Earthquake in Nepal Hits Home



Bryce Wenner, son of CLCI Board Vice-President Scooter Wenner, is currently serving on the mission field in Kathmandu, Nepal at the site of the recent earthquakes.. Bryce's Dad and uncle are presently in Nepal checking on the situation there. Please keep all in prayer as they seek to re-establish living conditions in the area. Pray for their safety and for the aid workers and the Baptist Global Response teams on site. Bryce's Facebook page Bryce&Nepal is accessible at https://www.facebook.com/groups/785034791603933/

## Calling all Counselors-Girls Camp!!!

Opportunity Camp is in need of counselors for the three days of girls camp: Monday, July 27 (counselor check-in) through Thursday, July 30. Girls arrive at 11:15 am on Tuesday and depart at 1:50 pm on Thursday. We anticipate 18-21 girls in attendance and would like to keep the ratio at three girls per counselor.

Girls camp this year will be Co-directed by Jared Ainsworth and Olive Hall, both long time camp participants. Mark Beard will serve as Chaplain for both the Boys and Girls camps and we are also seeking someone to provide a short, twenty minute, music spot on Tuesday and Wednesday nights only prior to the worship service. Boys camp begins Thursday at 4:45 pm and runs through Saturday at lunch. For further information on Opportunity Camp and how you can personally be a part or contribute, please call or email 409-548-5886 or patricia@clci.biz.

• In the August issue of Volunteer Connections the story of a young man needing school supplies touched the heart of a local church member. This past month that young man, encouraged by the support of this generous lady, won a district competition and will be traveling to NYC this summer as his reward. Her faith and action placed Carlos on the path to success despite the family's present hardships.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Is your class or group looking for a ministry opportunity?

We have painting needs in several key areas of Shepherd's Inn. Email now to schedule a work day.

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#### Shepherd's Inn Every Room Ready!!!

Christian Life Crisis Intervention, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization which operates Shepherd's Inn and Calvary House.

Shepherd's Inn provides overnight lodging and meals to:

- \* Out of town/state family members when they come to visit inmates in the local prisons
- \* Local families displaced by fires
- \* Disaster Recovery Groups
- \* Patients traveling a distance to receive chemotherapy treatments
- \* Out of the area family members of critically ill patients in local hospitals

Calvary House is a homeless shelter which provides short term housing (1-3 months) for families with children. Few shelters in the state allow families to stay together. The goal is to help the family find work, get back on their feet, and move forward. We are a hand-up.

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