VERSE OF THE MONTH



The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

Isaiah 40:8



Mike's Corner

Hello everyone,

We are on the approach to spring and things have been moving at a quick pace around the mission. Spring brings to the surface much needed things to do around the mission. Our "to do" list would not exist if not for our donors and supporters. We've seen a steady intake of new residents the first couple of months of this year, and we're thankful that The Lord has led them to us, and we are able to meet the needs that they have. We also have an upcoming baptism and graduation the first week of March. The remaining items and issues on our list of things to do will keep us busy until we get ready to usher in fall I'm expecting, but that's a good thing, We encourage everyone to please feel free to pay us a visit if you have any questions about our daily operations or you would like to know how you can help.

> May God Bless Each of You Mike Gravette, **Program Director**

DONATION RECEIPTS UPDATE *

Dear friends, We plan to mail receipts for your gifts dated in January & February 2020 by the end of March. Thank you for your generosity and for your patience!



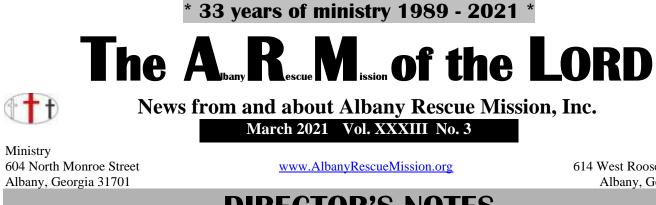
You can find ARM on the Internet @

www.AlbanyRescueMission.org

Please visit our website . . . You can send us an e-mail, watch videos, listen to music, make a donation online using PayPal, and learn more about the ministry.

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REACHING THE LEAST. THE LAST. THE LOST



Moving on With Your Help

Dear Supporters and Friends,

Every day, many homeless and needy men, women and children turn to the Albany Rescue Mission for help. We thank you for *your* help! Since 1989, we have been providing for those in need by sharing food, shelter, and the Good News of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Our feeding program is extensive, serving more than 7,000 meals each month. In addition to the 3 meals a day we serve to our residents, we also serve 2 meals a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year to anyone who comes.

I want to thank each one of you that support this ministry. I would also like to remind you that all the people who have trusted The Lord for their salvation over the years, every one of you have played a part in their salvation which is always our top priority. I would like to share with you a quick update on our new warehouse, we are please to report that we are open for business and still working on some finishing touches. We invite you to stop by and check things out. There are two areas we need prayer for. Our utilities hit over \$7,000.00 total from all our locations. This is the highest bill ever! Also last year we paid \$5,000.00 for our building insurance. However, without any claims filed they wanted to charge us \$25,000.00 for coverage this year. The best deal we could finally get was \$10,000.00 which is double what we paid the pervious year. The situation just does not seem fair. We ask that you please pray for us.

Because of our strong Christian stand, this ministry does not receive government funding, and therefore, we rely on God's provision through private donations. We publish books, CD's, and DVD's to help spread the Word of God. We also maintain a website to spread the Word of God on a global level and provide insight to anyone who maybe curious about our organization. Our web address is **www.AlbanyRescueMission.org**. The Lord has blessed this ministry for 32 years. We are trusting The Lord to reach The Least, The Last, and The Lost.



DIRECTOR'S NOTES

Thrift Store 614 West Roosevelt Avenue Albany, Georgia 31701

May God bless you and your family. Saved to serve, Larry Hample Founder/ Director of Albany Rescue Mission

REACHING THE LEAST, THE LAST, THE LOST

MISSION MOMENTS

'You're invited!

Where: A. R. M. Thrift Store

614 W. Roosevelt Ave., Albany, GA, 31701 229-431-1125

When: 9am - 4pm Monday - Saturday

We want to invite you to visit our Thrift Store down on Roosevelt Ave. Come meet our Thrift Store managers – Kevi Jones & Cale Hall

The store looks good, and the prices are right!



If you are doing some spring cleaning and would like to donate usable items, we'd be glad to have them! We can offer you a receipt for tax purposes. Please call 431-1125 if you have large items that need to be picked up.

HOPE FOR THE HOMELESS

MISSION MOMENTS * Mission Needs *

* **Prayer:** . . . The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availed much. James 5:16b

- * **Food & Supplies:** We spend more than \$4,250.00 a month purchasing groceries (especially meats, such as chicken and ground beef) and cleaning supplies.
 - ~ Food: We would be grateful if you could donate NON-PERISHABLE FOOD items to help us "round out" the meals. We also need non-perishable food items to fill the food bags we give to those in need.
 - **SUPPLIES** for the dormitories and kitchen.

* **Monthly financial support:** We have bills much like you do! For example . . .

- * Food & Utilities: In addition to the \$4,250.00 a month "food & supplies" bill mentioned above, we also have utility bills that run around \$5,500.00 a month.
- * Gas: We run two vans (1 for the Men's Program, and 1 for the Women's Program) plus 2 trucks (1 for our maintenance department and 1 for our Thrift Store) and spend more than \$3,300.00 a month on average for gas.
- * Mortgage: We have a mortgage payment for the Women's month.

Your faithful support helps to meet the needs of those who come to us for help.

Donations should be directed to our Ministry office at: 604 N. Monroe St., Albany, GA, 31701. You can also donate online using PayPal – please visit our website at <u>www.AlbanyRescueMission.org</u>.

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Individual Cases	
Emergency Aid	173
Emergency Food Bags	68
Misc. Donations	221

Free Clothing: Hundreds of individ

LEADING THE LOST TO THE LORD



~ **<u>Supplies</u>**: We need **PERSONAL SUPPLIES** for our residents and **HOUSEKEEPING**

Some of our needed items include: men's and women's underwear (new only please), socks, disposable razors, bath soap, wash cloths, towels, alcohol-free after shave, alcohol-free mouthwash, spray deodorant, shampoo, twin sheets, diapers, toothbrushes, toothpaste, bath tissue, napkins, nail clippers, laundry detergent, dishwashing soap, and pot scrubbers.

Where does the money go every month?

Food & Supplies: \$4,250.00 **Utilities:** \$5,500.00 Gas: \$3,300.00 Mortgage: \$ 700.00

Shelter that is about \$700.00 per month, plus any additional amount we can put towards the principal. The "extra" amount is usually \$275.00 a month, for a total of \$975.00 a

* Insurance: We also have yearly insurance costs – the liability & building insurance for all of our locations is about \$7,000.00 a year, and our auto insurance is about \$2,600.00 a year.

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