

# Grace Immanuel Ministries

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A Heart of Ministry to the  
Homeless



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- Several years ago, the Lord placed a burden on our hearts to minister the love of Jesus Christ to the needy.
- April 23, 2001, God brought this desire to fruition.



# Facts About Homelessness

- Over 361,000 people in California experience homelessness on any given day
- Unaffordable housing is a cause for homelessness
- Mental illness, substance abuse, poor work ethics and lack of education & job skills, contributes to homelessness
- Over 3 million women & children were homeless over the past year
- Families are on the verge of homelessness due to the fact that they must spend over half their income on housing
- Abuse (physical, verbal and emotional) force men, women and children from their homes.

In an effort to reduce homelessness, we have implemented the following programs -

# Emergency Food Program

- Must be resident of Orange County
- Proof of residency is required (California Driver's License/I D Card or utility bill)
- Eligible once a month (More often with verified proof of need)

# Transportation/Bus Tickets

- This program allows transportation assistance for job interviews, doctor appointments, and a means of getting back and forth to work, until they receive their first pay check.
- Transportation while attending Vocational, Rehab, and/or GED Training programs

# Sack Lunch Program

- Weekly distribution of sack lunches to homeless men, women and children, on the streets of Orange County.
- We share the Gospel and develop relationships with the homeless.
- Through this relationship we are able to gain their trust and provide resources for them to get off the streets – most times entering a Drug Rehab Program.
- Many have college degrees and just need support groups to build their self-esteem, before entering the job market.

# Active Parenting Classes

Provide effective ways to ...

- Use non-violent discipline techniques that work
- Improve communication with your children
- Teach responsibility and other important values
- Handle problems as they come up
- Cope with difficult topics such as drugs, violence, and sex
- Defuse power struggles with your children
- Stimulate independence as your child grows older
- Encourage your children to be their very best.

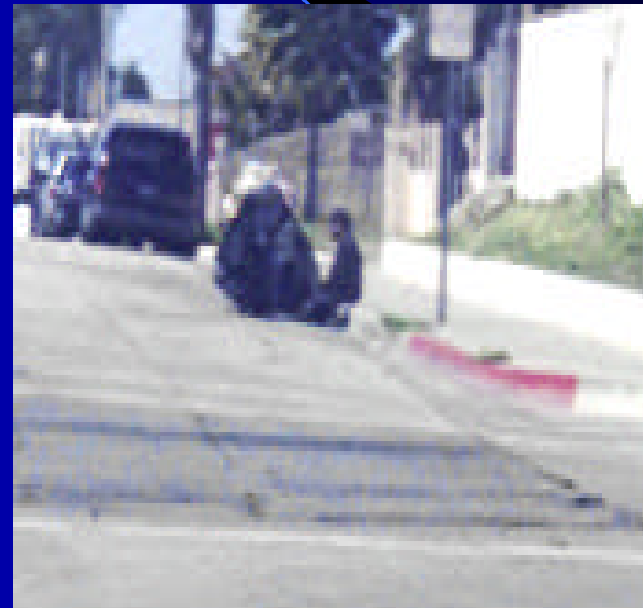
# Pastoral Counseling



- When we have children, we must nurture, love, and direct them in the ways to live.
- Likewise, when someone is born again, they require nurturing, love and instruction, as to how to live a Christian life.

# Pastoral Counseling

- Many of our clients come from abusive family backgrounds
- Many have been on the streets since as early as age 10
- Many have given up hope
- Through the Word of God, they learn how to address their hurts and move on to healthier relationships and lifestyles.



# Christian 12-Step Program

- Admit we are powerless over our dependencies (Rom 7:18)
- Believe a Power greater than ourselves restores us to sanity (Phil 2:13)
- Decide to turn our will and life over to God (Rom 12:1)
- Make a search and fearless moral inventory of self (Lam 3:40)
- Admit our wrongs to ourselves & God (James 5:16a)
- Entirely ready to have God remove all defects (James 4:10)
- Humbly ask Him to remove shortcomings (I John 1:9)
- Make list of people we have wronged (Luke 6:31)
- Make amends when possible (Mat 5:23-24)

## 12-Steps Contd.

- Continue personal inventory and admit when we're wrong (I Cor 10:12)
- Seek through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God (Col 3:16a)
- Have a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps (Gal 6:1)