



Shepherds of Love Ministries, Inc.



Dear friend,

September 2016

Fall is in the air and we are excited about our opportunity to serve our community during the holidays that are right around the corner. We anticipate hundreds of calls for assistance with high electric bills acquired during our extremely hot summer weather. It will be our honor to serve.

We thought this would be a good time to refresh your memory about who we are and why we are here. In January, 2000 God called me to start this ministry with a \$100.00 check that was given from In His Name Ministries. At that time I was working for them and at the close of the year they believed God wanted me to start a new ministry. With their loving support and encouragement this powerful ministry was born. God opened each door and we continue to do His will.

Shepherds of Love Ministries (SOLM) is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization dedicated to ministering to the poor in our community by providing financial assistance with utility bills, rent and other basic necessities. Our mission is to share the Gospel of Christ while also meeting their financial needs during a crisis. In addition, we also distribute Bibles, inspirational books and greeting cards. We have given 65% of our budget to Utility Companies, Landlords, Medical assistance, and material needs for children; helping approximately 1,600 families. We have expanded our partnership to not only include local supporting churches, but Social Workers from area hospitals, Home Health Services and the VA Hospital in an effort to assist disabled Veterans.



October 7th we will receive an Award from the Veterans Administration for our service to the Veterans. We are very honored and looking forward to this special luncheon and recognition.

When you think about the new seasons of change remember those who will need extra help when winter arrives. Your donations will change a life and you will be truly blessed.

May God bless each of you as you help shepherd His lambs.

Serving Him,

Teresa Rountree

Director



For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works,

which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2:10 NIV



SEPTEMBER LAMBS IN NEED

Hundreds of people are in need with utility bills. Our space is limited in this newsletter. Please be assured we will find a family who truly needs assistance. Feel free to designate a specific place from the list below.

Lamb 12016 – Single Parent

Lamb 22016 – Elderly Person

Lamb 32016 – Veteran

Lamb 2016 – Where needed / for ministry expenses.

All donations are appreciated. We have always been good stewards of your gifts. Prayers are offered before any funds are released.

Donations accepted by check or PayPal by visiting our website. A personal thank you and receipt will be mailed to you. Shepherds of Love Ministries is a 501(c) 3 non-profit. Gifts are tax deductible.

www.shepherdsoflove.org

SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM OUR HEART TO YOURS

We had an outstanding summer with donations during a time when funds are generally low. We prayed and God assured me He was in control and I was not. I want to thank my board members:

Tamatha Simons, Vice President

Schuan Adams, Secretary-Treasurer

Brian Sanders

Marie Fister

Tiffany McFadden

Crystal Martin

These board members hold me accountable as the Director of this ministry. Their encouragement and support keeps me focused. Each one brings special gifts to the table making this ministry what it is today. Thank you for walking with me as we celebrate 16 years of ministry.

Consider Holiday Giving

Please remember our lambs when the holidays arrive. Over the years donors and community groups make financial gifts in place of purchasing gifts. Thank you for considering this alternative to gift giving. One of the best gifts is keeping utilities on for a family in crisis. We hope you will give this prayerful consideration.



