



# Hope Notes



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Dear Friends,

What a challenging last six months following my breast cancer diagnosis! After a bilateral mastectomy and reconstruction, I was given a good report by the oncologist. I am back at work, and my faith is stronger than ever! I thank God for healing me, and I thank God for you—for your love and support and help at Mission of Hope. You have blessed me with your cards, flowers, gifts, and prayers. How comforting it is to know that we don't go through difficult times alone; the Lord is with us and so is the body of Christ. God continues to be faithful to this ministry as He gives us the resources to help more and more people. Believe it or not, there's a greater need in our community now than since the flood.

**In July 2009, we reached over 1,800 adults & children with our food pantry, and we served over 2,200 meals!**

One day this past summer, we had to turn away 21 people at the Shelter! It's heartbreaking. Although the needs are great, we're excited about how the Lord is touching hearts and changing lives. We sense transition & growth as God brings us more volunteers and additional ministry opportunities. We thank you for partnering with us and appreciate your monetary gifts, food & clothing donations—and your help. This ministry couldn't function without you. **Together**, we'll accomplish all God has called Mission of Hope to be.

In Christ's love, Pastor Barb

**Mission Operational Hours:**

Monday: **CLOSED**  
Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday:

9 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday: 9 am—6 pm

\* Mission closed 1st Thursday of month

**Mission Current Needs:**

- Homemade meals for Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri lunches at the Mission
- Paper towels, Styrofoam cups & Styrofoam plates for serving meals
- Non-perishable pantry food, coffee & homemade cookies
- Men's jeans (all sizes), *new* socks, *new* underwear & tennis shoes in good condition
- XL & 2XL men's sweatshirts
- Approximately 20 cubic ft chest freezer to store food donations
- Dependable pick-up truck for transporting food donations

**Jan—Aug 2009 Mission Shelter Stats**

Former offenders	198	67%
Veterans	51	17%
Domestic Violence Issues	94	32%
Male residents	251	85%
Female residents	45	15%
Residents with HS diploma and/or college education	195	66%

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**ANOTHER WAY TO GIVE!** You may use the form below to designate your **one-time or monthly contribution** to Mission of Hope. Simply fill out the form below and send to our mailing address at 1537-1st Ave SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. Thank you!

**Monthly Contribution:** Contribution will be automatically charged to credit card each month.

- \$ 500    \$ 100    \$ 75  
 \$ 50    \$ 25  
 \$ 10    (other) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**One-Time Contribution:** Contribution made one time only.

- \$5,000    \$1,000    \$500  
 \$365—One dollar a day    \$104—Two dollars a week  
 \$52—One dollar a week    \$12—One dollar a month  
 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

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