



# INNER CITY MISSION

helping the homeless find lasting stability

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## SUMMER PRAYER NEEDS

- 1. Please pray that our staff continues to have soft hearts.** After saying goodbye to our “old” residents (those who went through our program, or part of it, and found a measure of stability), we start over with new ones. We do this again and again. Our hope is that we never become too calloused or too jaded to feel compassion. We want to see each new person as a gift from God, and each encounter as an opportunity to shine the light of God’s love into a broken life.
- 2. Please pray for our physical remodeling/expansion.** We are raising money for this project right now, which will allow ICM to open up 5 new rooms for families. That’s exciting, because with the remodeling of our current facilities, we can expand our services to reach more homeless families at no extra monthly utility cost or purchase of property.
- 3. Please pray for ReNew Ministries and ReNew Consignment & Thrift Shop in Lincoln.** ReNew is a subsidiary of Inner City Mission (started in 2015) serving the impoverished and homeless of Logan County.
  - **Pray for Bobbi Reddix**, director of ReNew Consignment & Thrift Shop. She has a small staff helping her run/stock the store. Pray for a continual supply of clothing/furniture that can be sold at a low cost to the community.
  - **Pray for Brie Higginson**, director of ReNew Ministries. Brie offers financial and spiritual guidance for people in need, and arranges projects/tasks for people needing community service hours.
  - **Pray for a new opportunity** ReNew Ministries has right now to provide cleaning services to an owner of 45 apartments in Lincoln. If an agreement is made, the owner will provide an apartment for ReNew to offer to a family in need at no charge.
- 4. Please pray for Scott & Connie Payne’s book, *Unlocking a Broken World*, almost ready for publication.** Our hope is that the stories of ICM and the philosophy behind our work will help (and touch) many people. Also, pray for the Paynes as they write ICM’s program, *Stability for Life*, an extensive undertaking.
- 5. Please pray for the summer needs of ICM.** Every year, income slows down significantly during the summer months. Please ask for God to move the hearts of His people toward helping the homeless through prayer and monetary support.

6. **Please pray for our summer volunteers.** Summer always brings extra volunteers/visitors to ICM. Pray for their safety and for God to bless them (and our residents) as they give of their personal time/money through work projects, Bible studies, worship services, childcare, special events/outings, and cooking. We love our volunteers and want them to experience God's love and blessings.
7. **Please pray for our window project,** already underway. Money has been given (and set aside for this) to replace the windows in our current office building which houses both offices and residents.
8. **Please pray for current residents:**
  - **For a father and his 3 children,** now ready to move out. Pray for their stability as they reenter society, and for strength to remain strong through adversity.
  - **For a lady who battles alcoholism** on a daily basis at ICM. She had to leave for awhile, but now she is back (and on house restriction). Pray for her to have patience in this, because she can only leave our property to participate in ReNew's work program.
  - **For 3 of our residents who need Social Security/Disability benefits.** The process of application is long, hard process. One of these ladies suffers from a low IQ and cannot support herself. The other 2 have endured traumatic mental breakdowns (about a decade or more ago) and have been homeless ever since.
  - **For 3 new families at ICM.** Right now, we are getting to know them as we calm the chaos of their lives.
  - **For Myrna,** a former resident of ICM who now lives and works on our property (in our clothing center). She has a huge mass wrapping around her liver that is inoperable and life-threatening. Pray for shrinkage/healing of the mass.
9. **Please pray for 4 of our staff members who are former residents.** Pray for their continued resistance to the addictions that brought them to ICM in the first place. They all still deal with consequences from decisions they made years ago, so life isn't easy for them. Pray for their love, faithfulness and diligence in serving God.
10. **Please pray for Candace and the many other former residents of ICM.** Candace now lives in Ohio working on the pipeline (drives a truck/does construction). Like many of our residents, her many issues from the past still follow her, but she loves the Lord with all her heart and desires to please Him. Pray for our former residents to avoid chaos and continue to trust in God.

THANK YOU FOR LIFTING UP INNER CITY MISSION IN PRAYER!