



# Amazing Love Ministries, Inc.

Matthew 25:35 "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink..."

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## HOW IT ALL BEGAN.....

Amazing Love Ministries, Inc. was founded by Barbara and Jim Killeen in March, 2005. What started as feeding 20 homeless people at Curtis Hixon Park in downtown Tampa has evolved into feeding 150-200 people every Monday evening at the United Methodist Church parking lot on Azeele Street. The meals are served and supported by volunteers from many of the churches in the Tampa Bay area. Along with a hot meal and beverages, the people are also given a bag lunch and snacks to take with them. The ministry also provides many of the items that the people who live on the streets need, such as clothing, back packs, shoes, blankets, toiletries, etc.. The main purpose of the ministry is to bring the good news of Jesus to the lost and hurting. Volunteers take turns leading praise and worship and delivering messages each week after the meal is served. The ministry's vision is to obtain property for a future drop-in center near the downtown area where people can take showers, do their laundry, safely store their belongings, and receive other services. If you would like further information regarding Amazing Love Ministries, Inc., or would be interested in volunteering to serve, please email us at [amazinglovemin@verizon.net](mailto:amazinglovemin@verizon.net).



Barbara and Jim Killeen

## Monthly Schedule...

- Sept. 1: Smith's LifeGroup
- Sept. 8: Get Real Ministry
- Sept. 15: First Baptist of Dover
- Sept. 22: Carston's LifeGroup
- Sept. 29: OPEN Volunteers needed!

## Volunteer of the month: Wayne Drum



If you have ever volunteered at Amazing Love Ministries on a Monday evening, you have probably noticed...or not...a quiet gentleman who sometimes walks the perimeter of the meal site with a garbage bag picking up trash, talking with the people, making sure there are enough cups at the coffee station, unloading the truck, tearing down tables...sort of a "jack of all trades."

If you were to ask Wayne Drum what he does at Amazing Love Ministries, he would humbly state that he serves. That, according to Barbara and Jim

Killeen, is an under statement. Wayne has served in this ministry for the

## Coming Next Month...

- **Praise and Worship Spotlight**



- **Person to Person: a Personal Profile**



...and much, much, more!

three and a half years it has been in existence. Every Monday afternoon he meets Barbara and Jim at their home and loads their truck for them. He even plans his vacation time so that he can return in time for Monday evenings! Why? "I am more blessed than anyone I know," Wayne said. "I have a large family that is very close. I want to share the blessings and give back what I have been given." Wayne is originally from Hickory, North Carolina and has two adult sons, Adam and Steven. Currently, Wayne is a courier for Superior Bank. His desire for the ministry is to acquire its own property so that Barbara and Jim's dream can become a reality. Wayne's favorite verse is Galatians 5:22 - 23 "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." Next time you see Wayne at Amazing Love, make sure you stop by and introduce yourself and let him know what a great job he is doing! Thank you, Wayne, for all you do for HIS Kingdom and Glory!

## Verse of the month

Helping



Matthew 25:40 "And the King will tell them ' I assure you, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!'

## News and Updates

### Garage Sale!



Time to get rid of all those unwanted items that are taking up space in your home or garage! There will be two garage sales in October to benefit Amazing Love Ministries, Inc. One will be held on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup> in Tampa (close to Lowry Park Zoo) and the other will be held on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> in Brandon (close to Hwy. 60 and 301). Donated items are needed and would be greatly appreciated! Exact times and locations will be forthcoming. Please contact Carole at 962-4738 or [zeist99@aol.com](mailto:zeist99@aol.com) for more information.

### Volunteers Needed!



We are currently in need of LifeGroups or individuals who would be interested in providing meals and serving on Monday evening. Please contact Estelle Wolfman at [ewolfman@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:ewolfman@tampabay.rr.com) or [msoptims@yahoo.com](mailto:msoptims@yahoo.com) to schedule, get recipes, and plug into the needs of Amazing Love Ministries, Inc.! Your service and heart will be appreciated!

## Prayer Requests

We will be expanding this segment of the newsletter in future editions. Please send your prayer requests to Jose Morales at [jmorales77@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jmorales77@tampabay.rr.com) .



Please pray that:

- Amazing Love Ministries, Inc. will acquire property to fulfill Barbara and Jim's vision!
- The donations for the garage sales come pouring in!
- Volunteers step up to assist with the serving and preparation of food!
- More people accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior!
- Volunteers come forward to assist with Praise and Worship!
- We find storage space to help us be more efficient as a ministry!