

# October Mission Emphases

**In October, we focus on *Immanuel's Good Samaritan Fund***, a beyond-the-budget financial resource that empowers Pastors Steve and Marcia, when appropriate, to back up caring words with caring action for needy people within our congregation and beyond.

What do people who need a Good Samaritan look like? They're people who have come into hard times for various reasons and are feeling very much alone. Perhaps they've lost their job or can't find a job with enough wage or hours. Perhaps they've been hit by illness of body or mind and just can't keep up. Perhaps they're experiencing the financial grief that can come right alongside the greater grief of death or divorce. Perhaps they've made poor decisions but are trying to put life back in order. These and more are their stories, and their very real needs can include help with rent, utilities, food, fuel, etc, etc, etc. What do people who need a Good Samaritan look like? They look a lot like you and me.



If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this ongoing caring mission, please use October's mission emphasis envelope from your offering envelopes box or in some other way designate your gift. Thank you for your generosity!

**NOTE:** While **Love INC CUP** blesses the church with better coordination of holistic care for neighbor, Love INC CUP does not itself pay out funds toward the care of people. *Immanuel's Good Samaritan Fund* is still needed.



## LOVE INC CUP Update

The Board of Love INC CUP has announced a new Executive Director - Fiona Banfield. Fiona is an active member of North Iron Church and has previously served as the Love INC CUP Clearinghouse Coordinator.

Fiona brings a wealth of gifts and skills to the position, including a deep Christian faith and a heart for helping those in need. Over the next month Fiona will receive extensive training toward her new position. In the meantime, the Board continues to search for a new Clearinghouse Coordinator. Please continue to pray for Love INC CUP's further progress toward reopening, seeking to "mobilize the churches to transform individuals and the community, in the name of Christ."