



Hopeconnections Club JLHS

Katrina Children

Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, that you do onto me. Matthew 25:40

School had just begun at James Logan High School, as teacher and Hopeconnections Club advisor, Linda Rodrigues, saw an urgent plea from fellow teacher Catherine Lucas in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

According to Catherine, a high school teacher at Glen Oaks High School, the district was being overwhelmed with displaced children from New Orleans. "Many evacuees have been enrolled in our schools and some of our students and teachers have 10-15 evacuees in their homes. We are looking for school supplies of any kind - mesh backpacks, school uniforms

(khakis and belt, black or red polo knit shirt and matching coats) for the students who have evacuated from New Orleans and neighboring parishes."

This answer to prayer came when the HCC was seeking a way to assist Katrina victims directly. Hopeconnections students began to mobilize a relief effort in the district and with Irvington High School students who joined with HCC for the first time. After two weeks of heavy publicity, over 1,000 backpacks and hundreds of teacher supplies were shipped to the East Baton Rouge School District.

FedEx provided free shipping for the students and brought three FedEx



trucks to the school site. Students labeled and stacked the boxes of supplies to Louisiana on October 4, 2005.

Not only did the students learn a great deal about organizing a massive drive, but they learned that they can have a positive impact in helping people who are suffering.



Pastoral Ministry

The Presence of the Spirit in a Hawaiian Church

By Pastor Carol Chalberg

Aloha! Welcome to Pearl City Community Church was expressed by many of the wonderful people as we entered the church on July 10 and July 17, 2005. Hawaiian leis were given to Pastor Mike, Linda Rodrigues and I along with smiles and hugs by loving greeters upon entering the worship service.

Pastor Eric, Pastor Keith, the worship team and others prayed with us that this place would be filled with the Holy Spirit and that Jesus would speak to hearts of all present.

Jesus did show His wonderful love and power that day through Pastor Mike's sermon, the music, prayers and sharing. When Linda Rodrigues shared about her past and God's healing power in her life, many were crying because it touched their hearts in a special way. We will never forget the people we met, the times we shared together with old and new friends. Ahui ho, until we meet again! The songs that Walter played for us on his ukulele, as a gift before we left, still plays on in my

mind and heart. So much love, so much hope, and so much peace were felt during this short time together. Thank you Jesus!

As it says in John 3:8, "The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the Spirit." As the trade wind breeze blew through the open doors and windows, so did the Spirit wind blow though and touch the hearts of all who heard the Word of Truth.



Hope Connections Outreach

Winter Drive—Feeding the Hungry

Each year, Shepherd's Care Ministries works with the students of Hopeconnections Club to provide food and food certificates to needy families in the school district. Over two hundred families receive four boxes of canned food and a one hundred dollar food certificate to buy fresh meat and vegetables.

We are not only able to help the families, but the students learn what it means to be a part of the community and give of themselves to help other people. Because the students know that Mike Chalberg is a pastor with Shepherd's Care Ministries,

some like to spend time at the trucks talking with him about God. "They ask some very hard questions, says Pastor Mike, that are challenging to answer."

The biggest challenge for the students during the drives is raising the money for the food certificates. It takes about \$20,000 to provide a \$100 food certificate for each family.

Although the students hold candy drives, food booth drives and traditional fund-raising events, they need your financial support to help them raise the funds for the certificates.

Please consider donating \$100 towards a food certificate. Tax deductible contributions can be made out to Shepherd's Care Ministries

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New Journeys to Joy Workbook soon to be published

Getting the most out of *Journeys to Joy*

Lindsay S. Malcolm, PsyD.

I first met Maria in the fall of 1995. Her faith, her spiritual perspective, and her journey of healing have been tremendous stimuli to my spiritual growth. The books that chronicle her journey have the potential to produce similar spiritual growth in each reader.

To help the reader get the most out of Maria's story, Shepherd's Care Ministries asked me to develop a workbook for the first volume of the *Shattered People* anthology: *Journeys to Joy*. The questions in the workbook reflect not only my training as a psychologist, but also my years at Bible Study Fellowship and Community Bible Study observing the art of asking the penetrating spiritual question.

This workbook is designed primarily for group discussion. With a competent facilitator, the group has immense power to challenge but nurture, to correct yet protect, to provide the fertile soil for optimal growth. However, although aimed at the group, the workbook may still assist the resolute individual reader gain valuable insights. (It's release is set to coincide with the revision of Book One, in January 2006)

Counseling Ministry

Counseling Chat Room for Survivors of ritual abuse

By Pastor Michael Chalberg

Last January we began planning for opening a weeknight chat room over the Internet and accessed through the Counseling Ministry of SCM. Our target audience was survivors of ritual abuse and the people who care for them. The idea was to offer a place where survivors and caregivers alike could participate in a non-threatening environment with anonymity to discuss difficult issues like clergy abuse, satanic ritual abuse, spiritual warfare and healing from these issues. The responses exceeded our expectations after opening the chat room publicly in May.

Within 3 weeks we opened a second night to handle the influx from the East Coast and Middle America. The responders, mostly women who have survived SRA and have DID, are saying that ours is the first free service of its kind which they have found after much

searching, that provides experienced Christian counseling on the subjects. Lives are changing and finding hope to the glory of God.

This month we lengthened the time to 2 hours each night and shifted the hours between Tuesday and Thursday nights to make them

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more accessible for East and West Coast members. With an increase as well in emails and phone calls for additional help outside the chat room, we are praying about adding another night of a chat room for personal one-on-one counseling. Following some recent radio interviews in the Chicago and Boston

areas, and newspaper interviews locally in June, several therapists have been referring their clients to us for assistance in spiritual healing matters. We covet your constant prayer support in these matters and for how we might improve our outreaches to shattered and broken people that the Lord sends our way.

As we move forward in ministry, the real need to take our deliverance ministry and counseling services directly to the people in need of them, who can't afford to come to us or prolonged contact via phone or computer, is becoming a concern for which we seek your support in prayer for how to meet these needs. We can all praise God together for what He is doing in this vital yet wholly untapped ministry area.