

# HeartSong

The Newsletter of Inner City Women's Ministries International Inc.

## OPENING LINES

Leaves are turning, teachers and young people have their thoughts on the new school year but summer doesn't officially end until September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Seasonally speaking we are still going to deem this our "summer newsletter". Praise God for a productive and spirit lead season of ministry.

Many staff turned out to our 'Praise, Prayer and Dinner Night' on June 27<sup>th</sup>. A restaurant in Winnipeg provided us space and great service. The gathering was purposely held in a secular environment where we wanted to take a stand for God. Our activities led to genuine interest, especially from the restaurant staff.

A big thank you to volunteers and our Board of Directors for their spiritual and financial support for this endeavor. May we have many more like minded activities to glorify our Creator and Sustainer.

A lot more has happened in the last few weeks. May His name be glorified.

Shon McLaren-Froese  
Executive Director



## NEW LOGO

We are pleased to announce our new ministry logo. This is in celebration of our first 5 official years of walking alongside women and their families.

All praise to God for his amazing divine appointments which has us networking with other like minded souls and organizations around the world.

Look for more usage of our logo in the next weeks and months.

## OUTREACH TO JAMAICA

Jannet, one of our Canadian but Jamaican born staff, recently felt lead to do an outreach to her home country. Once there, Jannet assessed the spiritual and tangible needs of women. This was done by networking with Jamaican congregations, families and doing a 'walk about'.

Jannet was shocked to discover that the needs of the poorest of the poor in the area she visited were completely unmet. Women and children living in and on the edges of this particular dump site were even more shocked that someone from so far away cared about their welfare. After sharing the Gospel and giving a gift of a comb and bar of soap one lady reported, "No one has ever given us anything. Are you an angel?"

Do pray that Christian congregations in Jamaica will open their hearts more to women and children who are struggling. Give praise for how God worked through a group of 12 to 13 year old young women from Winnipeg and many others who made this outreach possible. Give thanks to the women's ministry of Richer Fellowship Church in Richer, Manitoba for volunteering to do a fundraiser for our next outreach to Jamaica. All Glory to God.

(Please note all international travel for the ministry is paid personally by the staff members involved)

## SUCCESS IN ADDICTION PREVENTION / TREATMENT

Working to prevent an addiction is more effective and less costly than treatment. However it does take work.

Our last newsletter stated that **KNOWLEDGE, COMMUNICATION AND RELATIONSHIP** are key factors to addiction prevention.

Oddly enough, these are the same keys for treatment. Knowledge, communication with the God of creation **MUST** be a factor in both the prevention and healing equation.

- ✓ To know God, you must read His Word.
- ✓ To communicate with God you must have an active and emotionally open prayer life – daily.
- ✓ To have relationship with the God who Saves you must have a heartfelt relationship with him through His Son Jesus Christ – and work regularly on this relationship.

Honesty and discipline are key factors in all the above. Where are you in this equation right now? Where would you like to be?

Rest assured God, people and the situations He works through are there to help.

Be brave. Reach out.

## ON A MISSION



These puppies helped tell their prospective owners about Inner City Women's Ministries International and spread the Gospel. (See next issue)

## MEDIA CAMPAIGNE

Educating others about the issues affecting women and their families falls within the objectives of Inner City Women's Ministries International. With this in mind, and God releasing exactly the amount needed to start this endeavor, we moved forward this summer with our first ever media campaign.

Firstly, we decided to take up an offer from CHVN Christian Radio (95.1FM) for one spot per day for one year. Secondly, we put forth the same voiced spots in print with local rural newsletters in Steinbach and the surrounding area.

Praying and giving praise to our Almighty God is the theme of this campaign. Do listen and look for our messages over the next 12 months.

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Annual Meeting  
September 22, 2011 at 10:00am  
300 Edison Avenue  
All welcome.

Inquiries or donations may be sent to our Blumenort office:

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All donations over \$10 are eligible for a tax receipt if you live in Canada.

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## PRAISE & PRAYER

Praise for:

- ◆ a successful outreach to women and children in Jamaica
- ◆ a great 5 Day club with the Child Evangelism Fellowship missionaries
- ◆ offer of a new location to hold our Winnipeg Life Recovery Group on Mondays
- ◆ more residential addiction treatment programs opening up for women from other agencies
- ◆ continued access to prisons.
- ◆ the successful launch of our media campaign
- ◆ God's abundant resources



Pray for:

- ◆ doors to open in rural Manitoba to hold Life Recovery Groups
- ◆ for the right combination of women and children to take up residence in one of our rural homes
- ◆ a safe house to open for women on the streets of Winnipeg before the snow flies
- ◆ spiritual protection for all persons associated with our ministry