"Do not despise the day of small beginnings." Zachariah 4:10.

The Christian Church began small, with just twelve disciples. After the Resurrection, on the day of Pentecost, about three thousand people were added in one day to those who believed. Acts 2:41. Today the number of Christian believers is counted in the billions. **Do not despise the day of small beginnings!**



A small acorn grows and becomes a mighty oak tree!

Love-Lift Ministries began small in 1977 and today we look back in amazement at the many thousands of people who have been blessed by this work of God's own planting. In recent years we have been able to bless about seven thousand people each year. Only God knows which of those many who have been surprised and blessed will go on to spread the Gospel of God's loving kindness far and wide.

Our few volunteer warehouse workers, or those who create handmade gifts, or sew our gift-bags, or those who donate items, and not the least, those who give financial support have all joined together to lift up and encourage needy people who struggle. It is these, Gods beloved struggling poor, that Love-Lift Ministries is designed to help.

Which is usually the case: only a small number of people take up the burden of ministry. If you are one of these special people who have caught the vision of Love-Lift Ministries, we invite you to come along side of us once again.

While we value and appreciate those who work

diligently to create gifts, or donate useful items, we also need those who are willing and able to donate financially, especially on a regularly continuing basis, as many of you already do.

Love-Lift Ministries has not been able to meet our necessary budget for the past three months. Consider this: rent of our warehouse facility is very expensive. Recently our warehouse Landlord has raised our already high monthly rent. Our large inventory of purchased gifts comes at a considerable cost, even at wholesale rates.

We are sincerely grateful for those who have chosen to make their contribution a financial donation. We cannot go on without you! Paying our rent is not an option.

This Newsletter is not the usual one, but the reality is that it was necessary if we are to make clear to our supporters where we stand today in our ministry journey which began so long ago in 1977. **The Lord has been our portion all these years, and we believe He will continue to be.**

And now for the news:

In a home in **China** are gathered together a good number of orphaned children who desperately need the love and care of people who are willing to help. We are excited to have recently been able to reach these children with the blessings of a Love-Lift delivery. How cool is that!

In **Haiti** some of the poorest of the poor live without hope. What a joy to have been able to join forces with another missionary organization which is sending a shipping container to help the poor of all ages in Haiti. **Joining with others to be a blessing is the mission of Love-Lift Ministries.** We would love to have you join with us to bless the poor around the world.

Mozambique, Africa is another place where orphaned children, including teens, have so little. Vanguard University students who are missionary minded periodically go on mission trips to minister the love of God. These students, traveling as a group, were able to help us deliver a Love-Lift to Mozambique.

Ethiopia is another country in Africa where Vanguard student groups have taken a Love-Lift with them, packing an extra suitcase filled with gift-bags for orphans who suffer from HIV/AIDS.

In the blue Pacific Ocean lie the beautiful **Fiji Islands** far far away from Orange County, California. Another Vanguard University student group chose to travel to Fiji to encourage Bible School students there. This was an opportunity for us to help adult **Bible School students**, as well as teens and children, with a Love-Lift. **Love-Lift Ministries prepares gifts for people of all ages, not just children.**

Mexico: Closer to home, Love-Lift Ministries has been able to deliver Love-Lifts to small village churches, often in forgotten places far below the border. Many times, over the years, we have loaded up our RV motor home with gift-bags for all ages of both genders. At the Mexican border we are met by pastors of small impoverished villages. These pastors then take their share of the Love-Lift to their own people and communities. Working together, the job and the mission gets done. The key is dedicated people working together with others.

The few of us working together with a vision to help the poor can reach the world for Christ and fulfill the **Great Commission:** "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel."

Sincerely,

Marilya Kaude.
President, Love-Lift Ministries





This bright eyed little girl lives in Mexico. Notice how she is hugging her care bag close. She obviously values her special surprise gift.



This girl lives in a small village in Mexico. Her large "Christmas Stocking" is filled with many items, which will certainly bring her joy. Her smile says, "Thank You!" And, her village church pastor will bring her the Gospel word of salvation.



This precious little Chinese girl is one of the orphaned children who have found a loving Christian home in far away China.



This little orphaned boy is excited to open his Love-Lift personal care bag.



This Korean boy is pleased to show his bag of items especially filled with loving care by volunteers at our Love-Lift Ministries warehouse in Santa Ana.

You can make a difference in the lives of these precious children by helping us continue this work of God's own planting. God will get the glory! You will be his minister.

These African children are all wearing colorful hand-loomed hats, made by dedicated volunteers who love Jesus, and who also love the needy poor of the world.



This is Melita whose home is an orphanage in Mozambique. Vanguard students delivered the hats, but also personal care bags for each of the kids.



Christine is one of the Vanguard University students who traveled on a mission trip to Mozambique to minister to orphaned children.





Tanya is one of the teen orphans. She wears her Love-Lift hat with pride. Yes, Mozambique is a warm tropical country, but kids everywhere enjoy dressing up and looking nice.

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NEEDS FOR THE MINISTRY

- God's guidance, protection, and strength to endure
- Financial help to meet our montly rent and utilities as we expand our warehouse space and expense needs.
- Financial help to purchase the items we use to fill more than five-hundred gift-bags each month
- Additional volunteers to work at our facility, or in your home or group

THE LOVE-LIFT MISSION

Our mission is to build up each missionary, each pastor, each congregation, each Christian school, each Bible school, each orphanage, and every Christian, and potential Christian that God has given us an opportunity to touch.

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