



NEW LIFE IN ACTION

2015 in Review and the Action Plan and Vision for 2016

Because of your partnership with New Life Evangelistic Center every night homeless men, women and children have had a place to sleep at 1411 Locust in St. Louis. Many are now a part of the NLEC training programs. They include...



Marion – “I have walked from North Carolina to California and back again over the past 20 years. Since I’ve been at New Life Evangelistic Center I have reconnected with my sister who I hadn’t talked to in 20 years. I have received shelter, clothes, food, opportunities, new friends, people that believe in the Lord like I do. Having church and daily Bible Study has helped me to grow closer to God each day. Without Jesus in my life I don’t know where I would be. I thank New Life Evangelistic Center for being here when I needed help!



Andrew - “After my parents died, my grief and pain was so deep—I could not face it—so I ran. And I kept running—trying to find comfort at the bottom of a bottle or a tip of a crack pipe . And still I ran until I was broke and homeless. But no matter how fast I ran, I could not out run my demons of fear, grief and death. Either I was gonna be killed or I was gonna kill myself! I cried out to the Lord and He heard my cry!! I stopped running. I just gave up and gave in to Jesus. I got sober and came to NLEC. Thru the training program I am closer to God and now able to help others who are hurting and homeless.”



Veronica – “At New Life Evangelistic Center I have learned how to pray and read the Bible again. I have learned more than I thought possible. I’m growing closer to Jesus every day. I have truly found a new life, with a new family at the community that is New Life Evangelistic Center. I appreciate the Leadership Training Program where I can focus on my relationship with God while learning new job skills and serving others.



James - “From all my boozing, DUI’s and going in and out of prisons—I was on the highway to hell. My life was filled with chaos and destruction and I felt like both my feet were snared in the iron steel teeth of bear traps. Pure agony. With no escape. Finally, I just got sick and tired of being sick and tired and stopped struggling. I joined the NLEC training program, stayed sober and finally found peace. I am free! And I don’t even think about boozing anymore. I now have a deeper personal relationship with Jesus thanks to NLEC!”



Muhammad - “I am a refugee from Iraq, I was born a Muslim, but have found love, truth, peace, freedom and justice in the Bible. I came to St. Louis to find work. I thank God for New Life Evangelistic Center and the opportunity to help others. Please pray for New Life Evangelistic Center, for more jobs, for the poor and homeless.



Floretta – “First, my daughter died. Then my boyfriend beat me up and placed a loaded pistol into my mouth. I knew it was the end. My boyfriend pulled the trigger. Nothing happened. The pistol wouldn’t go off! I knew it was the mighty hand of God who spared my life. I needed to escape my insane boyfriend so I prayed for God to guide me. Searching thru the phone book for shelters, the name of New Life Evangelistic Center just popped out. At New Life, I found warmth, security and peace. I thank God for New Life Evangelistic Center!”

Hundreds more have been helped at 806 N. Jefferson in Springfield, 901 Wilkes Blvd. in Columbia, Potosi, Van Buren and Joplin, MO and more...

2015 Victories

Defending the Last Major Walk in Year Round Shelter Open All Night in Mid America

Thanks to your leadership support, the New Life Evangelistic Center has achieved significant success in 2015 despite tremendous opposition. By pushing back against the St. Louis Board of Public Service Order for NLEC to reduce by 90% the number of men, women and children; homeless individuals staying at 1411 Locust Street are still being provided for. Over one year later New Life Evangelistic Center remains open. During 2015 it provided over 67,500 shelter beds to homeless people who had nowhere else to go. Your continued support will ensure that we are able to continue the mission that God has given us.



*Jesus the Homeless One declares,
"Foxes have dens and birds have nests,
but the Son of Man has no place
to lay his head." Matthew 8:20*

*"As Often as you have done it to the least of these
you have done it unto me." Matthew 25:40*



Overland Renewable Energy Center and Administrative Offices Open

At 2428 Woodson Road in Overland this past year the NLEC Renewable Energy and Administrative Offices opened. This has made it possible for New Life to expand its counseling and other direct services at 1411 Locust. Future plans for the Overland Facility include a major Free Dental Clinic for those who cannot afford to have preventative and desperately needed dental care.



NLEC Springfield Reception Center Continues to Expand with Services Provided and Clients Served



The New Life Veterans Coming Home Center at 806 N. Jefferson has provided meals, computers, a free store, lockers, showers, laundry facilities, bus passes, sleeping bags, and more for a growing number of homeless in the Springfield area.



NLEC Missions in India

New Life Evangelistic Center provides for over 8,000 children at its schools and orphanages in Kakinada, India. In addition to that thousands more are provided meals, medical assistance and other direct services through NLEC. Your support in 2015 has provided hope for the hopeless, hurting and homeless as they experience the love of Christ in word and deed.

Positive Ticketing

In 2015 hundreds of Positive Tickets have been given by Moline Acres and St. Louis County Precinct #1 Police Officers. This program, which encourages positive interactions between Police Officers and the youth in their communities, is the first step in reducing crime and promoting healthy community engagement between the community and the police officers who serve there.

The Action Plan and Vision for 2016

Fighting for Religious Freedom

New Life Evangelistic Center will continue to fight for the right to shelter the homeless according to the mandates of scripture. With the St. Louis Board of Public Service once again insisting NLEC reduces its shelter population, NLEC may have to return to Federal Court to provide shelter to any who are homeless in accordance with the mandates of scripture.

Extending Training opportunities for the Homeless

Many on the point of despair and hopelessness came to NLEC for shelter and then discovered a purpose for their life through one of the four New Life Training programs. As a result the cycle of homelessness has been broken in their lives. In 2016 NLEC has a vision for assisting even more homeless through its unique training programs.

Creating a Day Shelter for the Homeless in St. Louis

By June the present St. Louis day shelter, The Bridge, is scheduled to close its downtown location. Extensive architectural work at the 1411 Locust building has shown that the basement pool site can be effectively used for a day shelter. At this day facility the homeless would be able to shower, do their laundry, use computers, seek employment, receive meals, and other services similar to that provided at 806 N Jefferson in Springfield.

Repairing NLEC Buildings

In 2016 New Life has a vision to complete roof work at 1411 Locust, 806 N Jefferson, the KNLC transmitter building, and the New Bloomfield site. We are praying that plumbing, electrical, hoods for the kitchen, and heating and cooling for the dorms at 1411 Locust will be completed.

Extending KNLC Services to Homeless and Hurting

KNLC which is operated by NLEC and those who were previously homeless, daily shares the needs of the poor, elderly and homeless as it rallies the community to help them. Those without utility service, the homeless, the hungry, the elderly, and the handicapped have found a voice at KNLC. In 2016 New Life has a vision to extend the services of KNLC in the Bi-State area.

Providing Additional Hope to the Depressed and Distressed

In 2015 hundreds of suicidal, depressed and desperate homeless people came to NLEC as their last refuge of hope. In 2016 New Life has a goal of providing hope and help through the love of Jesus Christ in the form of shelter, food, and training opportunities to over 2,500 homeless people.

Helping Local Churches to fulfill their Biblical mandate to provide shelter

Jesus, the homeless one (Matt 8:20), throughout His earthly ministry taught the essentials of services to the poor and homeless. New Life will rally an army of prayer warriors to pray for a revival of compassion to sweep throughout the churches of Mid America to the extent that they will be doers of the word resulting in shelter for the homeless. When opposed by neighborhood organizations NLEC desires to help provide legal assistance to these churches.

Protecting and providing for the homeless

The criminalization of the homeless continues to take place in St. Louis, Springfield and communities throughout Mid America. An example of this is how the homeless are kept out of the parks after 10pm. If they sleep on the sidewalks, storefronts or at homeless camps they are told by the police frequently to move on. New Life will continue to fight for the right to use 1411 Locust as a shelter for the police, churches, hospitals, and others to send the homeless to. In 2016 as NLEC defends the 1411 Locust shelter it will continue to work to try to open additional shelters in Illinois, and surrounding communities. As New Life pursues additional shelters it is also working to protect the rights of the homeless to have a place to sleep each and every night.

The Challenge Before Us

As New Life Evangelistic Center moves into 2016 we stand together at a critical time in the history of religious freedom. This freedom is about whether God fearing churches will have the right to follow the mandates of scripture to help the homeless and the hurting with the provision of shelter and other services.

A rich history is behind us (see <http://historyofnlec.newlifeevangelisticcenter.org>.) A future full of challenges, an opportunity lies before us to grasp with the hands of faith. Complete architectural studies of the five story 1411 Locust Building plus the basement revealed that over 400 homeless people could stay overnight safely in that building. The issue is not safety, but one where developers and condominium dwellers do not want the homeless in their neighborhood. NLEC as a church is determined to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ. Therefore it must return to Federal Court if the greed and prejudice of a few try to stop it from following the mandates of scripture to provide hospitality to the hurting and homeless.

This is a difficult time when New Life Evangelistic Center needs your prayerful support more now than ever. This coming year will determine if New Life will continue to be the last remaining year round walk in shelter that is not controlled by City Hall. With your prayers and faithful support New Life Evangelistic Center will continue in 2016 to be there when people are hurting or homeless.

Please encourage your friends and relatives to support New Life Evangelistic Center with their prayers and gifts.



Yes Larry,

You can count on me to join you by stepping out in faith and responding to the challenges facing NLEC as it pursues the vision of helping the hurting and homeless in 2016.

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