

# Bridge Disability Ministries 2011 Annual Report

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## Our Mission

Because Bridge Disability Ministries honors the God-given dignity of persons with disabilities, we build relationships to alleviate isolation and enrich our churches and communities.

# "Invite... and you will be blessed."

by Jack Staudt, Executive Director

This promise is one that calls us, guides us, and encourages us. Christ challenged us in this passage from Luke 14, to overcome our fears of those who appear different from us and those who may have nothing to offer us. Christ also compelled us, to look for "the poor, the disabled, the maimed and the blind." To really see them as we see ourselves, as brothers and sisters, as children of one God. To our surprise the result is the true blessing of relationship based solely on caring, with no reciprocity, no expected gain or increase in power or prestige. The donors in this annual report have invited, they have looked for ways to serve, they have seen truth, and they have been blessed. Through their gifts of funding, volunteered skills, and in-kind offerings, we fulfilled the call to invite and the blessings continue.

It has again been a challenging financial year. While four of our six primary income areas have increased, Church and Foundation income has decreased. We see more offerings in the Meyer Mobility Center, from those who have little to give, but are willing to "pay it forward" for others. Our initiative to Grow Guardianship by offering Private Pay Case Management to families has begun to increase the "bottom line" and reduce the cost of "Uncompensated Care" (\$140,000) for our indigent clients.

For the fifth year in a row, we spent less, and served more. Our Chaplain & Spiritual Care program team fulfilled the call to "invite" and hosted 28 events, more than two every month. Our Chaplain came alongside over 367 people in need of relationship and chaplaincy care. The Meyer Mobility Center increased distribution of high cost items to our local community. Overall distribution including international partners exceeded \$1.1 million. Guardianship received four new clients in the first expansion of our program in 9 years. As always we trust in God's providence and we will continue to do all we can. I ask you to keep our work, and those we are blessed to serve, in your prayers, and Look for someone to *Invite*.

### Volunteer Hours for 2011

10,609 hours volunteered x \$21.36 / hour =

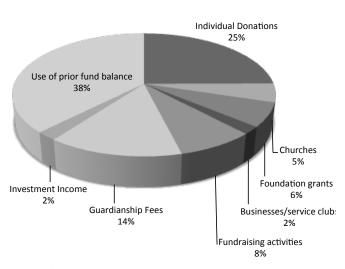
\$226,608 value of 2011 volunteer hours

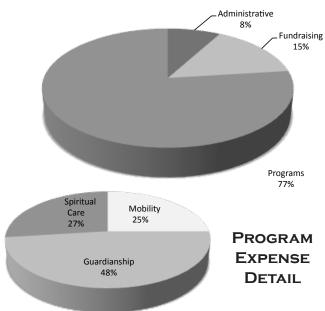
"Those who can, do. Those who can do more, volunteer." ~Author Unknown

# 2011 Financial Summary

#### **EXPENSES** INCOME

Total Operating Income	\$571,995		Administrative
Use of Prior Funds Balance	\$215,163	Total Operating Expenses	\$571,995
Investment Income	\$12,686	Total Programs Expense	\$440,436
Guardianship Fees	\$80,322	Spiritual Care	<u>\$118,918</u>
Fundraising Activities	\$46,280	Guardianship	\$211,409
Businesses/Service Clubs	\$11,196	Mobility	\$110,109
Foundation Grants	\$35,928	Programs	
Churches	\$28,113	Fundraising	\$85,799
Individual Donations	\$142,307	Administrative	\$45,760





# Ministry Messages

Spiritual Care: The spiritual journey for all of us is simply expressed as a personal connection with God in our every day, every moment lives. A 2nd significant connection is in sharing our spiritual presence and gifts with others. This is the core of the spiritual life. At 28 events this year we have seen wonderful participation in this effort by faith communities to include and welcome those with disabilities on this journey. We had 17 supporting churches hosting our events, and more expressing interest. We wish to acknowledge all those that have joined us in this effort. Thank You!

**Guardianship:** In 2011, our Certified Professional Guardianship agency provided 3,060 hours of direct service to clients. Mandatory triennial (16) court reports were submitted, 18 eligibility reviews and 27 SSA Rep Payee reports were completed, all of which are vital to our clients care and well-being. As planned, we began to accept private pay clients for guardianship and case management with standby Guardianship. These private pay clients pay the full value of our services and thus help support our continued ministry to our 38 indigent clients. The grant-funded Case Management Intern Program has made it possible for the Lead Guardian Specialist to speak to parent groups, screen and perform intakes on prospective clients, and serve the 4 new clients with specialized needs and relationship building to develop trust and confidence. Our first Case Manager Intern graduated from the program and we have hired 2 more who show a great heart for the Lord and our Clients.

**Mobility:** On December 15, 2011 Bridge renamed and dedicated its mobility center in honor of Bob Meyer, who dedicated himself for the past 4 years to relocating, organizing and developing the Meyer Mobility Center into what it is today. Bob passed away June 30th and is deeply missed for the spirit, energy and intelligence he brought to serving his Lord. One of the volunteers he attracted to the mobility center, Gerry Barney, is continuing his work at our Center. Last year we gave out around \$1.1 million in medical equipment and supplies – over 2,000 pieces of durable medical equipment to people in our state worth approximately \$900,000 plus another \$200,000 in medical equipment and supplies to other non-profits, largely for work in underdeveloped countries. Two areas of focus this year were power wheel chairs (44 units) and tilt-in-space wheel chairs (32 units) both because they are so often well beyond the financial resources of those who need them, and because they make a huge difference in quality of life for both care givers and recipients. It is thanks to donors' contributions and over 2000 volunteer hours by those working in our center that we were able to make an investment of \$110,000 grow tenfold to an annual distribution of \$1.1 million in equipment to people in need.

# Bridge Disability Ministries 2011 Donor Family

Thanks to all of our supporters and volunteers, we can make a difference, together in the community to meet the needs of people living with disabilities. With your continued support, we can do more and reach more to transform lives, build more relationships and bridges.

Because of limited space we are only able to include in this report the names of donors who contributed \$100 or more. Every effort is made to record gifts accurately. We sincerely apologize for any errors or omissions.

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