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Faith & Finance Program Fall Sessions

Lewis County residents: Are you feeling the weight of financial stress? Worried about debt? Searching for purpose in your finances?

The class meets on Thursday evenings at 6:30pm beginning on October 9th, at the Centralia Christian Church located at 1215 W. Main in Centralia.

This is a 10-week course.

<u>Our Faith & Finance Classes</u> offer practical tools, spiritual encouragement, and a community that cares. Find stability. Manage debt. Grow spiritually.

You don't have to do this alone. At Love INC, we're here to walk alongside you.

Topics include:

- Connecting Money and Relationships
 Exploring Values and Attitudes
- 3) Overcoming Financial Challenges
- 4) Setting Savings Goals
- Creating a Spending Plan
- 6) Living Simply

- 7) Giving Joyfully
- 8) Managing Debt
- 9) Taking Loans
- 10) Getting Banked
- 11) Preparing for Emergencies
- 12) Planning for Long-term Change

These sessions are for anyone that just wants to understand more about finances. A Participants Guide, a \$29 value, will be given to attendees, however a commitment for 10 weeks is required. You even have an opportunity to earn Incentive Points which can be redeemed after 3 weeks after the beginning of the program or 2 weeks following the conclusion of the program.

If you would like to register or if someone you know would like to register for the Faith and Finance Program, please call 360.748.8611 or go online to www.loveincoflewiscounty.org/faith-and-finance. Additional Incentive Points awarded for fall Faith & Finance-where Faith meets Financial Freedom.

Love Stories —Recently, our furniture team had the joy of delivering several pieces to a kind and gentle lady we'll call J. They brought her a chest of drawers, a recliner, a small table for her TV, and one small end table that stirred something deep in her spirit.

As soon as she laid eyes on it, she gasped. "That's the same little table I donated to LOVE INC years ago," she said, tears welling up. "I loved that table... and it broke my heart to let it go." And now, all these years later, it had found its way back to her—quietly, gently, like a whisper from God saying, "I see you."

What are the chances?

Our furniture volunteer said, "In my 13 years at LOVE INC, I've never witnessed a moment quite like this." It was more than coincidence, it was a glimpse of God's providence, a reminder that He cares about the little things, even end tables.

"Delight yourself in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart." — Psalm 37:4 (NLT) There you have it. A small table. A big God. And a love story only He could write. MORE LOVE STORIES ON THE BACK PAGE





A Big Blessing!

Joel, the son-in-law of William & Janis Bearse, e-mailed the Love Inc office asking if we would like a 1998 Toyota Camry donation that we could auction off. We replied with a resounding yes!

Joel arrived driving a lovely dark blue, very nice looking car in great working order. All the maintenance records were organized and complied for the new owners information. You could tell that this car had been taken care of, someone is going to be extremely happy.

Bill and Jan arrived with their daughter Betsy in another vehicle. They were excited and happy to know that the sale of this car would be able to bless others in our county as well as blessing us here at Love INC.

It can be hard to give up something you've had so long. These lovely people have such generous hearts. I will remember their smiles for a long time.

Bill & Jan have been involved with Love Inc for over 30 years. She believes they first heard of Love Inc through someone at their church.



Stories of YOUR Impact in people's lives because of YOUR faithful support.

This month we received a call from a woman (M) who was going through a deeply challenging season of life. She humbly asked for assistance with gas. She shared that she had an important meeting with a lawyer but lacked the gas and funds to get there. Her voice carried the weight of someone who doesn't often ask for help.

When M arrived to pick up the gas voucher, you could see it in her eyes; she was carrying more than just a financial burden. Yet, at that moment something happened. She extended her hand, and I took it. There in that simple gesture God made space for prayer to happen.

We lifted her up to Christ and asked Him to provide what she needs, to strengthen her spirit and to remind her that she is not walking this road alone.

She left that day with more than a gas voucher. She left with prayer, compassion and reassurance that she is seen and loved by God, even in the midst of her storm.

Because of your support, we are able to stand in the gap for people like M who never thought they'd need to ask, but in doing so, are met with grace and dignity instead of shame.

Romans 15:13 "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Let us keep being vessels of that hope.

We received a call from a woman who was experiencing a difficult time. She lives with her three daughters and a grandchild. She struggled with keeping up with her power bill and other necessities. We pledged money towards her power bill and connected her with the Cooks Hill Diaper Bank.

We also had the opportunity to pray with her, offering a moment of comfort and connection. It was a true blessing to provide her with knowledge of community resources she wasn't familiar with and to share in that moment of prayer and reflection.

We sat in silence for a few moments afterward, reflecting and allowing God to be present in her story.

Psalm 34:18 "The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

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Bless You and thank You for allowing these opportunities to connect, walk beside people through their lives and stories, and share God's grace and goodness with our neighbors in Lewis County.

YOU were able to assist monetarily and speak words of hope and God's love into their lives because of **YOUR** faithful prayer support and gifts that **YOU** send in.

At Love INC we are so grateful for YOU, our partners in Christ.

DONATE NOW If you are wanting to connect with people through the ministry of Love Inc and want to support us financially, you may do so by going to www·loveincoflewiscounty·org, donate tab or scan the QR Code· You may make a one-time or a monthly donation by using the online donation portal· Or you can mail in a donation to: Love Inc PO Box

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July & August 2025 Connection Center Stats

Category	2025
Number of Calls	431
Total Number of Requests Rec/d	266
Total Number of Needs Met	78
Non-Monetary Requests	
Helped/prayer	94
Refer to Others (ex: transportation)	
Monetary Requests	
Monetarily Helped by Love INC	\$1997.25
Rent \$ Requested/Actual	\$9,537.00/\$800
Utilities \$ Requested/Actual	\$2311/\$1099
Wheelchair Ramps	1
Special \$ Requests	98.25
Referred to Partner churches	18
Referred to Community Resources	92
Unable to Assist-denied	37

Category	2025
Families Served Furniture	16
Furniture Pieces RQ/Delivered	74
Furniture Pieces Offered/Accepted	88
Families Served Firewood	
Firewood Picked up	
Families Served	73
Number of Children Served	66
Number of Adults Served	103
Volunteer Hours	224
Laundry Voucher	6/90
Gas Voucher	16
Propane Voucher	0
Food Voucher	0
Basic Needs	12
Kids Kloset	2

SAVE THE DATE—*please pray as we begin planning this event* SOUPER SUPPER—YUM SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2026



AT CENTRALIA CHRISTIAN CHURCH