## 2016 MINISTRY REPORT

## MISSIONS: The Lamb's Cafe Meal Team



n Deuteronomy 15:7, God commands: "If anyone is poor among you...do not be hardhearted or tightfisted toward them. Rather, be openhanded and freely lend them whatever they need...There will always be poor people in the land. Therefore I command you to be openhanded toward your fellow Israelites who are poor and needy in your land."

The love in this command is demonstrated every Thursday morning by a group of dedicated volunteers for the Lamb's Cafe, a breakfast for the homeless. The crew arrives before 6am to prepare a hot breakfast for 60 to 120 guests at 8:15am. These breakfasts always include the favorites of scrambled eggs and potatoes and also items likes pancakes, biscuits and gravy, burritos or even pizza!

The team then serves the meal in the Fallout to our hungry guests. For Mary, this is the best part: "We meet and talk to the homeless so they are now real people to me, not strangers and not so different from me."

While the meal is being served, part of the team does kitchen cleanup and dishwashing, usually finishing before 10am.

Of course, lots of preparation needs to happen to make this large undertaking a success. There is shopping at Community Food Share and then filling in with items from Costco. There is also a pickup from Panera of boxes of bagel and pastry leftovers for our guests.

Why do these volunteers come back, week after week? Johanna says: "I love to help with Lamb's Café because I think it is a wonderful way to live our faith and to show God's love for those who are in need. It is such a blessing to see all the people we can serve and to know that we as believers can make a difference."

For Rob and Carol: "It is truly a joy to work with our dedicated volunteers. We have wonderful fellowship that spans several generations, occupations and backgrounds! We all come together before dawn to serve physical sustenance and spiritual guidance to the homeless in Boulder."

Many thanks to these volunteers as they demonstrate the love of Christ!

Lamb's Cafe Meal team from left to right: LeeAnn Johnson, Johanna Huth, Mary Haller, Sigrunn Sky, Sarah Dischinger, Carol and Rob Wissolik. Not pictured: Katy Carpenter

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**1)** Kids Hope Mentor for an at risk-child one hour a week, Wednesday or Thursday

2) Help prepare or serve breakfast to the homeless, Thursday morning

**3)** Join a short-term mission team to Cuba or Guatemala

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