

Simply Stewardship

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. - Phillipians 4:6

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Your membership in Simply Stewardship just changed!!!

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We hope that you are all doing well and that God is working mightily in your lives. Whether you are in the work place or at home raising and nurturing your children, whether you are an adult or perhaps a child yourself, God has put you in this time and this place for a reason. Our prayer for you is that you follow His leading so that His will is done through your lives to bring glory to Himself.

Dan and I have felt God's leading in our own lives regarding Simply Stewardship. For more than two years we have operated Simply Stewardship as a subscription based operation. We have been experiencing God's urging for us to change this. Simply Stewardship will now operate as a ministry. Our goal has always been to help Christians become better stewards of what God has entrusted to them. We would like to expand that goal. We want to continue to be a vehicle for you to keep in touch with other Christians who share a similar lifestyle of stretching the Lord's resources. In addition to that we would like to make Simply Stewardship available to those Christians who need to be connected with you but cannot subscribe. Another goal that we have is to be a vehicle for Deacons to use in order to assist people in their congregations. You will notice that you have received two copies of this issue of Simply Stewardship. Keep one for yourself and to share with friends. Take the other issue to the Board of Deacons or Trustees at your church. We would be honored if the leadership in your church could use this to help other brothers and sisters in Christ meet physical needs that they have or simply be a tool to make the most of what belongs to God. We would be happy to accept ads from your church for items that are needed and services that

are offered as well as give them an additional resource to find what they may need for their members. The church can call us at Simply Stewardship to discuss any questions they may have.

In the past we have tried to have a Focus Business in each Simply Stewardship issue. These businesses were offering a discount to members of the Simply Stewardship Network. As far as we can tell these Focus Businesses were not a primary reason for you becoming or remaining a member. In order to be better stewards of our time, Dan & I have decided not to pursue additional businesses for this feature. If you know of a Christian owned business that our members may be interested in, please forward those names to us and we will continue to make people aware of them. We will not continue to negotiate a discount for members however.

You may be wondering what will become of the membership dues that you have already paid to Simply Stewardship. We have been accepting new members and renewals with their paid membership. The decision to change from a private membership base to a ministry base was only made a couple of weeks ago. We are sure that the Lord will provide the needed funds to continue sending out the newsletter. He may provide them by donations. If you would like to consider your paid subscription as a donation to Simply Stewardship, we would certainly appreciate it. The funds will be used to cover mailing and printing costs. If you would prefer not to donate to us and would like your member dues returned to you on a prorated basis, just give us a call and we can handle that. If at a future date you feel led to donate towards the operating costs of this ministry, we will thankfully accept your donation and

use it wisely.

So, we pray that this issue of Simply Stewardship will be a blessing to you. Look inside for details on the Third Annual Spring Clothing Drive. There are exciting changes happening with that too! This year the Clothing Drive will be held at Waukesha Bible Church. They are gracious enough to offer their fellowship hall as the location for the drive. This will be an outreach with the Gospel in addition to a tool to help you and your friends meet your families needs. If you would like to volunteer, please call me. I will be thrilled to have the help on this exciting event. As with the past clothing drives, if you know of any Christian ministry or missionaries that could benefit from the clothing drive, please tell them about it. Or, you can contact me. I will touch base with them. Our goal is to have Simply Stewardship Members, church members, missionaries, ministries and community members take advantage of the clothing available during the actual drive hours. This will cut down on the excess that there is afterwards. I know that we will not be able to give away all the clothing so if you know of any church or ministry that would like to pick them up after the clothing drive just let me know. In the past the "extras" have clothed up to 15 families, helped out missionaries, and blessed the moms to be and the new babies that turn to Crisis Pregnancy Centers for help.

We are excited about the changes that are happening here. Please keep us in your prayers and stay in touch with us too. We thoroughly enjoy hearing from each and every one of you.

In His Service,

Dan & Sherry

With warmer weather comes the opportunity to reduce your electric bill

...by simply changing how you use and maintain your refrigerator and freezer. Try these ideas, your bill may be reduced as much as 30% annually!

* Freezers cost less to operate if they are full. Fill Heavy Duty Freezer Bags with water and fill those empty spaces. You could save \$60 annually! (we make sure ours is filled with thrift store bread that we will use anyway)

* The icemaker can cost you up to \$50 annually depending on the kilowatt rate. Try using ice trays instead.

* The average home opens the fridge door 40 times a day. Cut that in half and save \$50 annually.

* Change your fridge thermostat from 33 to 38 or 39 degrees F. and save \$25 annually. Don't go to 40 degrees!

* Vacuum the coils once a month and save 25%.

* Is the rubber seal tight? A loose seal can cost you about \$50 a year.

* Move your fridge from next to the stove and oven. If you can not do this, place a piece of plywood between them to act as an insulator. You can save \$20 annually.

* Reset the Moisture Reducer Switches. If you have this switch that is located on your crisper bins on continuously, it can cost you up to \$50 per year. Use the switch only in summer or when you see condensation in the bin.

Tips taken from "Cut Your Spending in Half" by Rodale Press.

What will you do with the Lord's money that you don't need to pay to the Electric Company?!

For Sale



Abeka 6th grade Math Teacher's Edition. \$7.00. Terri: 679-0428

Abeka 6th grade Math Curriculum. \$15.00. Terri: 679-0428

1978 Suzuki dirt bike. 175 cc. Much time and work put into it. Call for more info. \$350. PJ: 679-2723

IBM Computer. 88088 with CGA monitor. 5 1/4 floppy. 640KRAM. \$169.97 Sherry 662-0247.

Jamestown oak vanity cabinet for double sink. 60 1/4"x21"x30". Three drawer, two cabinet. Orig. \$450, now \$285. Diane: 251-4374

Weaver Curriculum Volume I. \$25.
Weaver Wisdom Words, \$25.
Weaver Day By Day, \$25. Or, \$50 for the set of three. Diane: 251-4374

Konos Character Curriculum Volume I Lesson Guide. \$30. Diane: 251-4374

Gibson Epiphone Guitar. Steel string acoustic. \$150. Randy: 771-6236

Dog kennel. Extra large, metal, collapsible. \$25. Jan: 327-9869

HOME FOR SALE BY OWNER

3 Bedroom ranch in northwest Milwaukee, near Wauwatosa. New main bathroom with whirlpool tub. Jennair built in convection oven/grill/griddle in the eat in kitchen. Basement has large finished rec room and office/school room and a bathroom with shower stall. Central air, fenced yard, 2 car garage and wonderful neighbors. Some neighbors are home educators. \$74,000 unless we need to list with a Realtor.

Services Offered

Violin and Piano lessons by a responsible homeschooled teen. I've played violin for 10 years and piano for 5. Jeanne: 367-7308

Would you like to start your own home business? Consider becoming an Usborne Book Consultant. Usborne Books at Home sells primarily nonfiction, educational books for children. Mary Pride give them the pick of the crop award and says, "Our own family uses them in place of a regular science program." For more info or to host a party call me, Diane: 251-4374.

Wedding and Portrait photography. Call for price list. Julie or Mike: 628-0967

Experienced Baby-sitting. Graduate of Super Sitters Course. I love children. I am a 13 year old homeschooled teen with references. Laurel: 251-4374.

The Fish Net; A newsletter for homeschoolers in the Waukesha Co. area. Send LSASE for current copy. Karen Davis 2344 Ramshead Ct. Waukesha, WI 53188. 549-1585

Cleanway Home Service Specialists. Professional home, condo, or apartment cleaning. Insured and bonded. Free estimates. 781-6221.

USED CURRICULUM AND SUPPLEMENTS SALE

June 4th 10:00 AM - 4:00PM at Resurrection Fellowship; 2422 W. National Ave. Milw. Open to everyone!
Cash only please. You have an opportunity to sell or buy curriculum, books, educational games, etc. Please call for more information or a Book Sale Form. This form must be requested by 5/10 and received by 5/24. Cheryl @ 321-0659 or Chris @ 744-9905.

Member's Needs



Sleeper Sofa, clean condition please.
Rena: 383-3548

Christian Homeschooling family
desiring to move out of Milw. Looking
for acreage or residence. Rich or
Sheri: 463-3114

Men's Rain & Shine Coat. Size 48-52
L depending on style. Sandi: 679-
2723

Dresser: Four or five drawers high.
Sherry: 662-0247

Toddler size car seat, not a booster
seat. Maura: 462-3399

35" Tressel Bench or information on
where I can find one. Diane: 251-
4374

Bob Jones Used Math Books. Will
buy grades 1 - 12. Tess: 527-1891

Sonlight Curriculum 4th grade. I have
the 3rd grade to either trade or sell.
Sue: 521-3461

The Free Box

Luke 6:38

Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, they will pour into your lap. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return.

National Geographics from 1983-present.
Diane: 251-4374

HBJ Language Curriculum. This was
published for use in a public school
setting. I have brand new teacher's and
student's texts for grades 2-8. Sherry: 662-
0247.

Dresser; three drawers high. Jan: 327-9869

Arm chair style school desk. Jan: 327-9869

Wooden rocking chair, blue. Jan: 327-
9869

Maple double bed with mattress and box
spring. Painted blue. Jan: 327-9869

Wooden dining room chairs with covered
seats. Jan: 327-9869

Computer: Visual Commuter. Mono-
chrome screen, 512 K, Floppy disk drive,
Daisy wheel printer. Functional as a word
processor. Call after 6:00PM Karla or
Dan: 662-3163,

Large wooden dog house. Fair shape.
Karen: 549-1585

Oscar Kitchen Center Mixer. I have some
attachments. No blender. Karen: 549-1585

Hoover Quickbroom. Karen: 549-1585

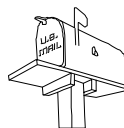
Membership in Simply Stewardship

Join Simply Stewardship for free! You
will receive all six issues over one year,
along with all the great tips and ideas in
every issue!

Remember, you are entitled to submit as
many ads as often as you like. However,
we limit ad run time to three issues.

Send any ads you would like to appear to:

Simply Stewardship
W229 S9025 Jackson Pky
Big Bend, WI53103



(414) 662-0247 FAX 662-0640

SSN Deadline:

Issue: May-June

Date: 4/26

**CALL ME WITH AD
UPDATES PLEASE!**

Spring Clothing Drive

It's Spring again and you know what that means...It's time for Simply Stewardship Network's Annual Spring Clothing Drive. Simply Stewardship has changed from a subscription based newsletter to a ministry and the organization of its clothing drive has changed slightly too. This year we are pleased to have the clothing drive connected with Waukesha Bible Church. They are graciously opening up their fellowship hall in order to accommodate the drive.

As in the past, we will still offer clothing that is free for the taking. We will continue to use this event as an outreach by putting tracts in each and every bag of clothing that leaves the church. The extra clothing will still find it's way to other Christian ministries in order to bless them and help meet their needs as well. Even though these basic elements of the Clothing Drive will remain the same, some aspects will change. The biggest change is that the Clothing Drive will not only be a Simply Stewardship event. It is now also considered a ministry of Waukesha Bible Church.

The Lord has expanded this form of stewardship to include this large congregation. We are excited to see what He has planned. We are praying that many lives will be touched and that all the glory will go only to God, where it belongs. The Clothing Drive will be announced in their congregational newsletter and all will be invited to participate. They will also be invited to bring their friends, as you have done in the past. So, mark your calendars, clean out your closets and attics and invite your friends. Most importantly however, please pray that our Lord and provider will do His will throughout this Clothing Drive in order to meet the needs of His children, take our attention off of ourselves and on to others, and that His Holy Word is spread to those who are nonbelievers in order to be a witness in their lives.

ANNUAL SPRING CLOTHING DRIVE

* April 27, 1996 - Saturday

10:00 AM - 1:00PM

Waukesha Bible Church - (Glendale Rd. and Hwy 164. Call the church or Sherry for directions)

* Clothing may be brought to the church beginning on April 21. It is important to have it there ahead of time so we have time to set it up.

* Clothing must be clean with no holes and no offensive sayings or graphics. These will be thrown away during the set up process.

* Please bag your clothing and label with gender and size. (ie: Boy's - 2T-4T) Adult clothing is encouraged as well.

We will need help in the following areas:

Setup 8-10AM

Assisting during the drive: 10 - 1PM

Take-down 1-2PM

Possible transport of extras....Do you know of churches or ministries that could use the extras?

Please contact Dan or Sherry as soon as possible if you can help in any of the areas mentioned above. 662-0247. See You All There!!

Simply Stewardship

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Important Note to Members

The date you see in the upper right hand corner of your mailing label is your renewal date. If your renewal date is this month, then it is time to let us know you wish to renew. If you want your name removed from the list, let us know that too!