

“And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.” — 1 John 4:16

Ministry News

10 YEARS!

Next month we will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of La Mesa, praise God! What started off as a meal and service for the homeless community has grown into so much more! Not everyone knows everything that La Mesa does so we wanted to share them with you.

We now have two nights and two locations. We serve a meal and have a service on Tuesdays in Mesa and Thursdays in Tempe. It has grown so much over the years. In addition to the meal and service on those nights, we also offer:

- Bus passes
- Clothing
- Hygiene items
- Haircuts
- Financial peace (dates vary per location)

We birthed a Resource Center to connect the community to resources and walk alongside of them to navigate those paths. We have a food truck that goes out on Mondays to deliver food, clothing and hygiene items. And soon we will be launching Eden Village, our most ambitious project yet, establishing a tiny home community!

Nothing is too big for God. We are so thankful for all he does through his ministry La Mesa!

If you have any questions or would like to know more, please just ask! You can reach us at info@LaMesaMinistries.org.

You can also find more information on our website www.LaMesaMinistries.org or on our Facebook page. Thank you for your support!



Mesa Tuesdays



Tempe Thursdays



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LaMesa Financial Management Ministry

– Greg Boerwinkle

It's hard to believe we've been teaching our LaMesa Financial Management class for over four years now and have had 117 people earn their training certificate. Our mission is to **1) Spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and 2) Assist the homeless and working poor to effectively manage their finances to God's glory.** Romans 12:2 says, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." We tell our students that if you want a different result, you've got to do something different than you're doing now. This is not judgmental, and our students know that. Many of them have been through some very difficult times, including addictions, broken relationships, and prison. They intuitively know they've got to change something in their life so they can live the life to which God is calling them.

Mike and Haley left Georgia nine months ago to start a new life in California. Their car broke down in Arizona, so they took to the streets in the Phoenix area. That's when God led them to LaMesa Ministries. Mike and Haley enrolled in our Financial Management class at Beautiful Savior in Tempe. They learned how to develop a monthly budget and started re-building their lives here in Arizona. Laurie McClellan helped Haley get a job at Earnhart Ford, then Mike got a job at McDonalds, and was soon promoted to a manager position. Now Haley and Mike both work at the same McDonalds, and they are living in an extended stay hotel. One of their financial goals is to afford an apartment or rented house so that Mike's kids, who are now in Texas, can come and visit.

Our classes consist of four lessons that focus on developing a monthly balanced budget, saving for emergencies, and avoiding debt. We currently have three instructors, including Cathy & Jerry Valenzuela, and myself. If you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact me at **(928) 699-6815.**

from the KITCHEN...

TEMPE MENU:

- + Aug 22: Sloppy Joe's, Chips, Watermelon and Strawberry Poke Cake
- + Aug 29: Biscuits & Sausage and Potatoes
- + Sept 5: Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Basta Salad
- + Sept 12: Chicken Biscuits, Salad and Dessert
- + Sept 19: TBD

MESA MENU:

- + Aug 27: Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Salad, Rolls and Butter – Birthday Celebration Cake
- + Sept 3: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Salad and Fruit
- + Sept 10: Chicken Enchiladas, Rice/Beans, Chips/Salsa, Fruit, Dessert
- + Sept 17: Lasagna, Salad, Rolls w/butter – Cake
- + Sept 24: BBQ Beef Sandwiches, Corn and Coleslaw – Birthday Celebration Cake



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from 9am to 2pm. Tuesdays 10am to 6pm.*