



The Outreach

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HALO Bargain Center • HALO Café • Community Outreach Center • HALO Administrative Offices

Where Friendships Begin . . .

Every night nearly 100 guests gather outside of the HALO Café waiting for the doors to open.

The tapestry of faces who come for a meal include the working poor, homeless and near homeless individuals and families from our community.

For the new guest, they think it is just about getting a meal. Little do they know, when the doors open, they will experience so much more!!!

Behind those doors are very committed volunteers, bent on not only providing the best meal possible, but offering love, concern and friendship. Every day, they live out the mission statement of HALO - "Love 'Em Like Jesus."

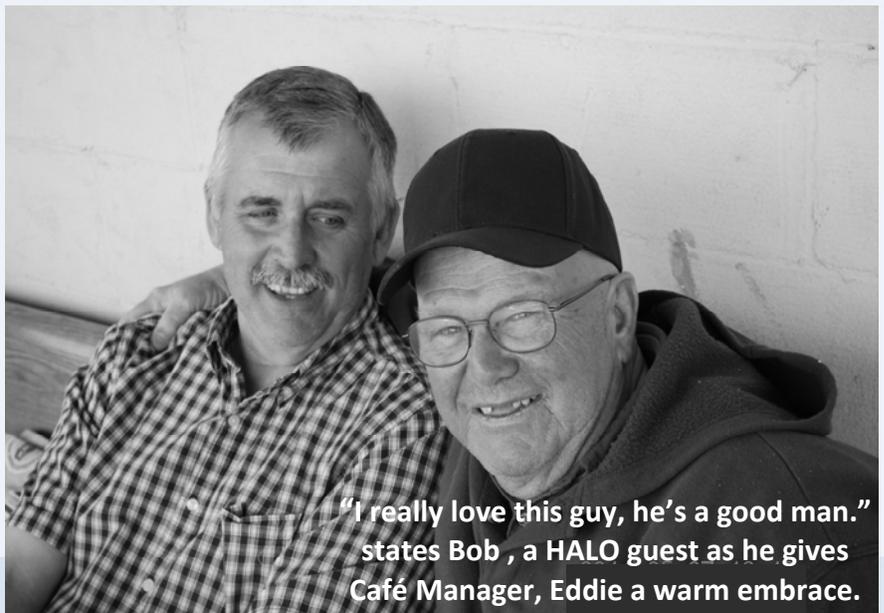
In the world of homelessness, individuals become invisible. Our volunteers help restore dignity and self worth, making the invisible - visible. A real person with feelings and dreams and the need to feel love.

Although the new guests come for a meal, FRIENDSHIP is also served. As friendships develop, trust is formed, barriers are broken, guards are let down and hearts are open to God's purpose and endless possibilities.

The new guest walks out of the HALO Café knowing they have a friend. His name is Jesus - they saw Him in the face of each volunteer.

"I love this place. I have made so many friends here."

Bob - HALO Café Guest



"I really love this guy, he's a good man." states Bob , a HALO guest as he gives Café Manager, Eddie a warm embrace.



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Hope And Life Outreach

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Your Gifts Make It Possible!

JANUARY 2010 THRU
JULY 2011

MEALS PROVIDED:

HALO Café - 55,180

BEDS PROVIDED:

Code Blue - 8,646

Dear Friends

Lisa Whelchel said, "The Lord has abundantly blessed me all my life. I'm not trying to pay Him back for all of His wonderful gifts, I just realize that He gave them to me to give away." All of us have been blessed and all of us have been called to share those blessings without restriction to those in need.

As I read through this newsletter, I was awed by the many ways YOU have given without restriction. Our Bargain Center is filled with clothes, furniture, household items, and the money received from the sale of these donations, is put right back into the ministry. We are able to help those who cannot afford to purchase these items, through our Second Chance Clothing voucher or Home at Last voucher programs.

I see the financial donations come into HALO, and know that your money is being used to support the programs to help individuals step up and out of their hopeless situation. Through your financial gift, HALO continues to operate.

And finally, I am amazed at the commitment of time YOU have given HALO through volunteering. HALO operates almost entirely by volunteers; we only have four paid employees. It is because YOU believe in the mission of HALO to LOVE 'Em like Jesus, that you sacrifice your time and energy. What a blessing I received when I read Morgan's letter (page 3). I hope you to will be blessed as you read what God is doing in the lives of those involved in HALO, whether as a guest or volunteer.

I personally want to thank you for everything YOU do to grow His Kingdom by being proactive in HALO. I trust you enjoy this newsletter as we celebrate YOU - HALO's LIFELINE.

Love 'em like Jesus,
Celeste

Celeste Savage,
Executive Director



Celeste with the youth from Mariners Bethel U.M.C.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AWARDS \$25,000 TO HALO FOR THE OPENING OF THEIR NEW CENTER OF HOPE DAY FACILITY.



Celeste Savage; Spicer Bell and Erica Joseph

The Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore has awarded a \$25,000 grant to HALO for costs associated with the opening of the new Center of Hope Day Facility.

For more information on the Day Facility, please read the insert page.

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW???

HARVEST OF HOPE

HALO's Vegetable Garden
IS GROWING LIKE A WEED!!

Our garden leader, Ashley King and the dedicated team of "gardeners" are working tirelessly to keep the garden weeded and watered.

Garden boxes of vegetables and herbs line the outside area of the HALO Café. 



HALO GARDEN TEAM

Over the 4th of July weekend, we picked our own garden grown radishes and squash. And, we even have a red tomato!

The HALO garden will provide needed vegetables and herbs for the HALO Café.

For more information on our garden, please contact Ashley King @ 410-742-9356 or email: volunteer@HALOministry.org

"Love'em like Jesus" This is the motto of the group Hope And Life Outreach, better known as HALO, where my youth group was recently able to serve.

Our day at Halo started off by sorting donated clothes for the Bargain Center. Getting to see the generosity of others was a huge blessing, but the even bigger blessing came later that night when my youth group and I got to serve dinner at HALO Café.

Although my youth group was on a thirty hour fast, and we hadn't eaten at all that day, our hungry stomachs were the last thing on any of our minds. As we served the meal, we got to become the *hands and feet of Christ*. We encountered numerous people, and we saw the face of Jesus on all of them. One of the most memorable people we met was Gram, who plays the harmonica. Several of our youth had brought their guitars and were playing while everyone ate. As soon as Gram walked in, he put down his walking sticks, ran over, and started blaring on the harmonica. None of them were perfectly on beat, and every once in a while there was a wrong note, but it was still the most beautiful version of *Amazing Grace* I've ever heard.

When we first arrived at Halo, we were asked what we thought "love'em like Jesus" meant? Most of us assumed it meant to love someone the way Jesus loves them. But I can't help but think there's more to it than that. Maybe it means we're supposed to love others in the same manner that we love Christ. Because the more you love Christ, the happier you are, and the closer to God you become.

HALO BARGAIN CENTER AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER



Bargain Center Volunteer Kim Rooks with one of our customers

HALO Bargain Center and Community Outreach Center serve as our Thrift Store and Donation Center. Revenue from the Bargain Center helps to support HALO Ministry programs and services.

So whether you are shopping at our store or donating items that can be sold, you are helping someone in our community.



Be sure to go online @ www.HALOministry.org to download our monthly Bargain Center calendar.

STORE HOURS AND DONATION DROP OFF TIMES

Monday thru Friday

10AM - 5PM

Saturday

10AM - 3PM

"The prices are great! I love shopping here."

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED HOSTING A DONATION DRIVE

Is your business, school or organization looking for a way to help the community?



Why not host a donation drive?

HALO will provide you with a complete "How To" guide to host a drive.

For more information or to receive your information guide, contact Teresa Schevel @ 410-742-9356 or email: tschevel@HALOministry.org



Morgan, far right with Gram and some of the youth from Mariners Bethel U.M.C.

The same thing happened when I got to serve at Halo. As I got to know and love the people I served, the happier I became. I left closer to God than ever. I owe the people of Halo a huge thank you for all they have done for me.

Morgan Downing
CRASH Youth Ministries, Mariners Bethel U.M.C.

TURN YOUR LOVE INTO ACTION!

Volunteer Corner *Annie Nichols*

While looking for a place to serve, Annie stumbled across HALO. Inspired by the stories she heard and the love and dedication of each of the volunteers who took their time week after week to serve the homeless men, women and children, Annie



**HALO Café Volunteer
Annie Nichols**

jumped right in! Annie signed up to help 1 night a month. One month led to every week. Annie says *“Volunteering in the café every week energized me in a way I did not think possible.”*

Every Monday night, you will find Annie in the HALO Café - preparing and serving meals to the guests who come in. She offers her support and encouraging words to everyone - guests and volunteers.

“I love the people I work with. I am humbled by the gratitude of those we serve each night. I feel a part of something so much bigger than myself. I am so grateful to be here. What I get out of serving at HALO far exceeds what I feel I have put in. I have grown in my faith, been encouraged in my walk with Christ, made lifelong friends and I feel more fulfilled than I have in a very long time. I am so glad God led me to volunteer at HALO.”



concert of hope
a hand up for homelessness

On June 11, 2011, Harvest Baptist Church sponsored “Concert of Hope” to benefit HALO.

It was a great day of food, fun and fellowship as we heard the great music of JJ Weeks and his band.

“Thank you” Harvest Baptist for your continued support of HALO!

HALO CAFÉ NEEDS LIST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sugar | <input type="checkbox"/> Cereal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Butter | <input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast Meats |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pancake Mix | <input type="checkbox"/> Syrup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applesauce | <input type="checkbox"/> Salad Dressings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tea | <input type="checkbox"/> Baked Goods |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spaghetti Sauce | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Milk | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Green Beans | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Fruit | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zip Lock Bags | |

These are just a few of the many items needed. If you would like to donate any of these items or have questions about other items, please contact the HALO office.

THANK YOU for Supporting HALO!!



Employees of ASC&D
Linda Gsell; Pam Schindel
and Lisa Briddell

The Employees of Atlantic, Smith, Cropper & Deeley of Willards competed Department against Department in their recent food drive to benefit HALO.

Thank you for
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE!



INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cook or Serve meals at the Café | <input type="checkbox"/> HALO Office |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Help organize food pantry | <input type="checkbox"/> Organize a HALO Event |
| <input type="checkbox"/> HALO Bargain Center | <input type="checkbox"/> Provide Sack Lunches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Organize donations in COC | <input type="checkbox"/> Mission Clean Up |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Provide Baked goods | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting Projects |

There are many other *Individual* and *Group* Volunteer Opportunities available. For more information, contact the HALO Office @ 410-742-9356

A special Thank You to companies that continue to support HALO.



Tapman Refrigeration
Worth Concrete
Allen Memorial Baptist Church
Parkside High School Bible Club
Soroptimist Club
B.B.&.T. Bank
Delmarva Printing & Design

BECOME A VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Would you like to become a volunteer?

JOIN US FOR HALO 101!

See first hand the mission of HALO, learn about our volunteer opportunities and how lives are being changed.

**3rd Sunday of each month
2:00PM**

HALO Mission & Café

For more information, contact our office @ 410-742-9356 or
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