



LOVE LINK LETTER

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A Second Touch And Deliverance!

"I just lay on my bed and kept sanctifying and sanctifying. I started crying and couldn't quit." Those were the words of Jerry as he stood before his sleeping area in the Seaton Recovery House. I had gone in to see Jerry, and Patrick asked Jerry if he had shared with me what had happened. Jerry was quite teary and emotional as he shared with me. The next morning Jerry called me on the phone. He had a question about a term in the Bible. But something was mentioned about the experience of the night before. Jerry still had a glowing testimony of his new experience with God.

Jerry has battled alcoholism most of his life. He was given alcohol



in his baby bottle to keep him quiet. He would go to school partially intoxicated, thinking that was the normal feeling. As an adult he would race down S.W. 59th Street on his motorcycle. When he would stop at a light he would allow his motorcycle to fall over because of his intoxication. His buddies

would help him get it up and go on his way.

A few years ago Jerry came into our Recovery Program. He would do well for a while, and then take off on a drinking binge. He would often be gone for two or three months before coming back. Jerry kept having a desperate battle with alcohol. At times Jerry would take off to drink and not understand why he had taken off to drink. There seemed to be an unseen force that drove him to do it. I believe Jerry had a love for Jesus and desired to do right. But his life was out of control. I kept thinking that if Jerry could experience a deeper work of grace, surely it would at least help.

I have for years felt that the experience of Second Blessing Holiness (sometimes we refer to it as sanctification or entire sanctification) has a delivering impact on the life of one struggling with addiction. It may be evidenced in the lives of different individuals in different ways and in different time frames. But it seems to truly have an impact.

After thirty days Jerry continues to have a glowing testimony. I visited with him again about his experience. He said that when he

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*Love Link Ministries
Would like to welcome
Our new office manager
Velma Alfson
Take a moment to
Drop in and introduce yourself.*

(continued from page 1) was lying upoi. his bed, before the blessing came, he realized how hard hearted was. He had just come in from Sunday evening service. He started asking the Lord to soften his heart, which He did. Jerry says he no longer has any desire for alcohol. And he no longer has a build-up of anger, which at times would pull him back to drinking. Pray that we may lead many more into the experience of Second Blessing Holiness & Freedom from addictions. WS

NuWay Update!

We are in the process of filling the requirements to allow the completion of the fire sprinkler system in the north building, that will house the new Thrift Store and Ministry Offices. We anticipate that things will be worked out soon, and the work will press forward.

I want to say a big "THANK YOU!" to all of you out there who have given of your time, talents and resources toward this awesome project. Each little piece, that may seem insignificant at the time, adds to the whole and combines to make a tremendous difference.

"THANKS LARRY and CREW! They took down old power boxes, large conduit and miscellaneous ductwork. They also cleaned up before they left.

You can help! We need money to purchase new code-compliant electrical equipment & other materials and supplies for the New Thrift Store.



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Donated 29 Jars of Peanut Butter

We would love to see your church mentioned here. Please call our office if you are unsure how to help us. Our families look forward to the extras we are able to provide only with your generous donations.

Our clients truly appreciate the steady donations of Panara Bread.

*Travis Schafer
Helps each week
Packaging our food
bags for our families.*



Food Pantry STATS

January 2007
401 Families served
142 New Families
224 Children and
60 Senior Adults served.

We love all
of our
faithful and
energetic
volunteers.