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## CONGRATULATIONS!

All of us at Capital City Mission are rejoicing with our assistant-director, Matthew Dellaforesta and his wife Caroline, on the birth of their first child, a healthy baby boy, Micah Jack, born at 1:15 a.m., Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Pray with us that God will bless Micah and his family and that he will, indeed, grow to do justice, show mercy and walk humbly with his God.

## "SORRY SOULS NEED SOLES"

We have a great need to provide comfortable soles for needy souls! You can help in either of two ways:

- If you choose to give to CCM, designate "SHOES", specifically. (Mail to address above)
- Buy and donate new running shoes, either men's or women's

### **Leadership Ottawa Includes CCM as a Recipient Charity**

Still on the subject of shoes, we are grateful to Leadership Ottawa for including CCM as a recipient charity in their "Walk a Mile In My Shoes" event, to be held **Saturday, June 8.** This fundraising initiative is intended to raise awareness of poverty in Ottawa, specifically the need for proper shoes for those who are unable to afford them. Each runner or walker is encouraged to donate a pair of running or walking shoes to be donated to the recipient charities.

**Time and Place:** The start and finish lines are near Dow's Lake Pavilion, Arboretum.

Run: 9:00 a.m.  
Walk 9:15 a.m.

**Parking:** Available across from Dow's Lake Pavilion

**For registration information, or to find out where you can drop off shoes, call Amy at 749-3221**

### **Prayer Requests**

Please continue to be thankful with us for God's blessing on our ministry and the relationships that are developing. Pray with us that we will find suitable, affordable space in order to meet the demand for services and programs.

## PROVERBS ON POVERTY

We are faced with the issue of poverty from so many voices in our day. What does God's word say? How are we to respond? Who are the poor? Why are people living in poverty? When should I give to the poor? I believe that a glance over the 31 Proverbs will shed God's WISDOM into our lives and help us to make a biblical response from our lives.

**PROV 6:11** And your poverty will come in like a vagabond, and your need like an armed man.

**10:15** The rich man's wealth is his fortress, the ruin of the poor is poverty.

**13:7** There is one who pretends to be rich, but has nothing; another pretends to be poor, but has great wealth. **V8** The ransom of a man's life is his riches, but the poor hears no rebuke. **V18** Poverty and shame will come to him who neglects discipline, but he who regards reproof will be honoured **V23** Abundant food is in the fallow ground of the poor, but swept away by injustice.

**14:20** The poor is hated even by his neighbour, but those who love the rich are many. **V21** He who despises his neighbour sins, but happy is he who is gracious to the poor. **V23** In all labour there is profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty. **V31** He who oppresses the poor reproaches his Maker, but he who is gracious to the needy honours Him **17:5** He who mocks the poor reproaches his Maker; he who rejoices at calamity will not go unpunished. **18:23** The poor man utters supplications, but the rich man answers roughly. **19:1** Better is a poor man who walks in his integrity, than he who is perverse in speech and is a fool. **V4** Wealth adds many friends, but a poor man is separated from his friend. **V7** All brothers of a poor man hate him; how much more do his friends go far away from him? **V17** He who is gracious to a poor man lends to the lord, and he will repay him for his good deed. **V22** What is desirable in a man is his kindness, and it is better to be a poor man than a liar.

**20:13** Do not love sleep, lest you become poor; open your eyes, and you will be satisfied with food.

**21:13** He who shuts his ear to the cry of the poor, will also cry himself and not be answered. **V17** He who loves pleasure will become a poor man; he who loves wine and oil will not become rich.

**22:2** The rich and the poor have a common bond, the Lord is the maker of them all. **V7** The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower becomes the lender's slave. **V9** He who is generous will be blessed, for he gives some of his food to the poor. **V16** He who oppresses the poor to make much for himself, or who gives to the rich, will only come to poverty. **V22** Do not rob the poor because he is poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate. **V23** For the Lord will plead their case, and take the life of those who rob them. **23:21** For heavy drinking and the GLUTTON will come to poverty, and drowsiness will clothe a man with rags. **24:34** Then your poverty will come as a robber, and your want like an armed man. **28:3** A poor man who oppresses the lowly, is like a driving rain which leaves no food. **V5** Evil men do not understand justice, but those who seek the lord understand all things. **V6** Better is the poor who walks in integrity, than he who is crooked though he be rich.

**V8** He who increases his wealth by interest and usury, gathers it for him who is gracious to the poor.

**V11** The rich man is wise in his own eyes, but the poor who has understanding sees through him.

**V15** Like a roaring lion and a rushing bear, is a wicked ruler over a poor people. **V19** He who tills his land will have plenty of food, but he who follows empty pursuits will have poverty in plenty.

**V22** A man with an evil eye hastens after wealth, and does not know that want will come upon him.

**V27** He who gives to the poor will never want, but he who shuts his eyes will have many curses.

**29:7** The righteous is concerned for the rights of the poor, the wicked does not understand such concern. **V13** The poor man and the oppressor have this in common; The Lord gives light to the eyes of both. **V14** If the king judges the poor with truth, his throne will be established forever.

**30:8** Keep deception and lies far from me, Give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with the food that is my portion. **V9** Lest I be full and deny Thee and say, Who is the Lord? Or Lest I be in want and steal; and profane the name of my God. **31:7** Let him drink and forget his poverty, and remember his trouble no more. **V9** Open your mouth, judge righteously, and defend the rights of the afflicted and the needy. **V20** She extends her hand to the poor; and stretches out her hands to the needy.

God's wisdom is for His Glory! Over the next month as you read these verses may greater Understanding, Conviction, Passion and Obedience come. To respond to God's call. **TO HELP THE POOR!**

**Timothy**