

The Milwaukee Outreach Center



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A Ministry of Giving

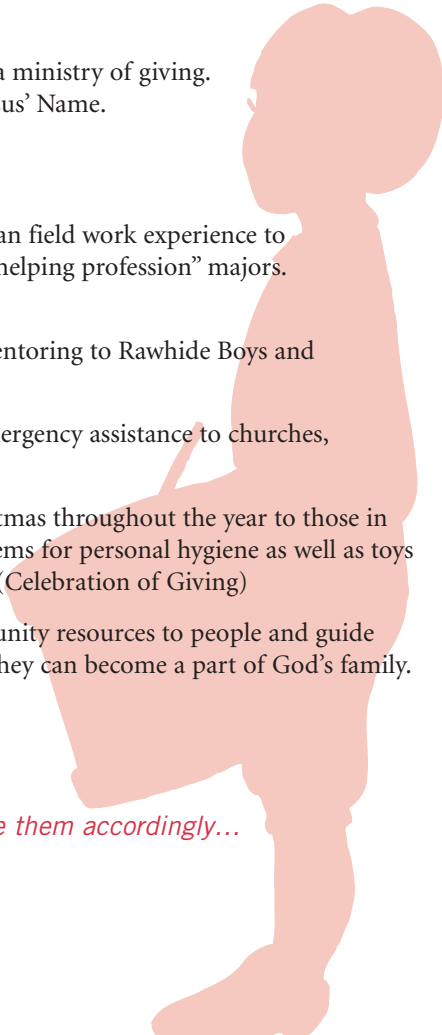
This Christmas when you think of The Milwaukee Outreach Center we invite you to think of us as a ministry of giving. This is the essence of who we are and what God has called us to be. It's our joy to bless people in Jesus' Name.

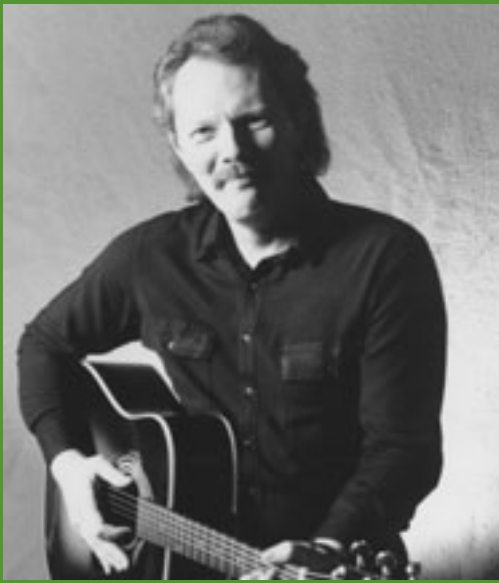
What do we give? God has enabled us...

- To **give** purpose and direction to those seeking to know what God's will is for their lives. (Phoenix Program)
- To **give** pastors relief from the burden of a heavy counseling load by providing Christian counseling to families and individuals. (TMOC Counseling Ministries)
- To **give** resources to churches for needy children who lack back-to-school clothing. (Back-To-School Program)
- To **give** delicious meals to our community in celebration of Easter and Thanksgiving. (Celebration of Hope and Celebration of Love)
- To **give** grants to churches conducting Christ-centered developmental youth programs. (Bless-A-Child Program)
- To **give** supervised Christian field work experience to students majoring in the "helping profession" majors. (Internship Program)
- To **give** counseling and mentoring to Rawhide Boys and their families.
- To **give**, as we are able, emergency assistance to churches, families and individuals.
- To **give** the Hope of Christmas throughout the year to those in need of hats, gloves and items for personal hygiene as well as toys and clothing for children. (Celebration of Giving)
- To **give** referrals of community resources to people and guide them to area churches so they can become a part of God's family.

*We give **God** all the glory for enabling us to be givers!*

"And since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us each exercise them accordingly... he who gives, let him give generously." – Romans 12:6-8





In Loving Memory Of

JACK H. BROWN

Born to Life on
February 9, 1951
Eugene, Oregon

Born Again on
First Day of Spring, 1969

Born to Eternal Life on
October 25, 2004
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

The Life of Jack Brown

Jesus said, "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). This one verse from the Sermon of the Mount captures the life of Jack Brown.

On October 29 family and friends gathered together in the chapel of Elmbrook Church to say farewell to Jack. Not only was he the founder of The Milwaukee Outreach Center, the former area director of the Christian Broadcast Network, and the friend of many people, Jack was also a friend of God. At one point in the service friends were invited to an open microphone to share good words about his life.



*Jack with his family:
Crystal (left), Linda (center),
Lisa (right).*



*Jack with his
granddaughter, Ashley*

"I've known Jack for almost 30 years and worked with him side by side. I don't think I knew him any better than anyone else. Jack was just Jack. There was no pretense in his life. He had one of the longest fuses than anyone I have ever met. He loved people. He had an incredible gift of relating to people. It didn't matter if they were rich or poor. A suburbanite or ghetto. It didn't really matter if they were Hispanic, Laotian or Hmong. He connected with people. Jack was really the heart and soul of The Milwaukee Outreach Center."

– Bob Books, Co-founder of TMOc



*Linda and Jack were
married 34 years.*

"Jack was a spiritual general in the central city of Milwaukee. He was never too busy. Anytime I came to the Center, it didn't matter what Jack was doing. He would counsel me with great wisdom. He was so smart. He just knew what to say at the right time. I would come in with a crisis and he would sit me down and listen. He was a great listener and then his wisdom would come out. Because of Jack's integrity, so many of us are richer in the ministry."

– Ray Jablonski

The Life of Jack Brown *(continued)*

“Through Jack’s ministry hundreds of people were saved. What I loved about Jack is that he could be intensely concerned about things but never riled. He was never nervous and that helped you not to get nervous. I loved Jack. He was a dear friend and a compassionate man who impacted our community and city for Jesus Christ.”

– Harry Gamm

Pat Robertson awards Jack Brown a distinguished service award for his work with the 700 Club.



Jack in his office on Appleton Avenue.



“The reason Jack was so effective among us was because he didn’t have an ego. His ministry was constructed to make other people look good. One time we were doing something in the city and it failed big time. The following morning I received a call from Jack asking, ‘How do you feel?’ I told him that I felt like a failure. He said, ‘I know what that feels like. Almost everything that we have done to bring this city together has failed too.’ Then he said, ‘Let’s continue to fail until Jesus comes.’”

– Marc Erickson

Current Events

- Dec. 6 - 11 Shoppers ‘n Wrappers
- Dec. 13 - 17 Phoenix Life Skills Program
- Dec. 25 Christmas Family Outreach
- Jan. 6 Leaders Training for Character Development
- Jan. 13 Leaders Training for Character Development
- Jan. 17 - 21 Phoenix Life Skills Program
- Feb. 21 - 25 Phoenix Life Skills Program

Shoppers ‘n Wrappers

This is a time to bless families who need the hope of Christmas. Come shop and wrap gifts for those who need a boost of love and encouragement.

Phoenix Life Skills Program

The Phoenix Life Skills Program is a free 40 hour course that explores passion, mission and priorities in a person’s life. Equal Energy is a follow-up program for understanding the biblical foundations of Phoenix and the importance of a mentor. Phoenix Enterprises provides work adjustment training for success in the workplace.



Bill Lange

Character Development

The 40 Development Assets is a nation-wide character development movement. The Milwaukee Outreach Center offers training in using a Bible and arts after-school curriculum for teaching the Developmental Assets to children and youth.



Dr. Will Hope

Christian Counseling Ministry

Our Christian Counseling Ministry is committed to mending and restoring relationships and resolving family crises. Our counselors are academically qualified and professionally certified. Counseling is offered at our centers in Milwaukee and in West Bend.



Gary Shoultis

Count On Me!

To express the love of Christ to those in need, I’m enclosing:

- A gift in memory of Jack Brown \$_____
- A Special Christmas offering for the ministries of TMOC \$_____
- An end of the year gift so TMOC can finish the year strong \$_____
- My monthly commitment of \$_____

Please send me information about:

- The Milwaukee Outreach Center’s Christmas 2004
- Being a Member of the 2005 Prayer Team
- Phoenix Life Skills Program
- Christian Counseling Ministry
- After-School Character Development Program
- Community Volunteer

Volunteers are needed for our after-school programs.



Michael Rintleman
Executive Director

Executive Director's Update

In a few short weeks 2004 will come to an end and a new year will begin for The Milwaukee Outreach Center. This has been a year like no other. We have experienced extreme joy that comes from seeing lives changed by God and

have seen His great provision and blessing upon this ministry. We have also suffered grief at the loss of our founder and friend, Jack Brown.

In 1990 Jack invited me as a young kid just out of college to serve with him. I can still remember my first review when he noted that I didn't wear ties to the office as much as he would like. In those days (believe it or not) Jack wore a suit and tie to work every day. From my first day in November of 1990 until Jack's last day in the office on August 9, 2004, we spent many, many hours praying, strategizing, ministering and laughing together. After every Packer's game, we played Monday morning quarterback.

I truly believe that God yoked our strengths together to further His Kingdom. Jack passed away the day after I returned from meetings with Operation Blessing and the Christian Broadcasting Network. He started with CBN in 1978 and he is remembered across our nation for his "compassion in action" in loving Milwaukee.

I am humbled that the mantle of leadership has been passed on to me. The work that Jack started will continue here at The Milwaukee Outreach Center. Our board, Jack and I have been planning for this transition for the past three years. We are committed to seeing that his legacy lives on in our lives and ministry. You will never know how much I appreciate your support and prayers. I have felt your prayers and the Lord's support like never before.

We have entered a new chapter of ministry. I look forward to many more victories for our Savior in the days ahead and in the years to come.



Early days at TMOC; Mike Rintelman (left), Jo Johnson, former secretary (center) and Jack Brown (right).



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