Isten LOVE Pray Foundation 2021 Annual Report



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Your generous donations of time, effort, and money empower the healing transformations that Jesus does here through LLP. To donate, visit our website. All donations are tax-exempt.

Lord, continue to bless the spirits, minds and hands of our loving donors. Keep LLP ever faithful to your call and your word. May each soul touched by LLP feel the healing love of Jesus. Amen.

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Letter from Our President

Years ago, Lucinda and I sang in our church choir. I am not naturally a good singer, but I loved how, after hours of practice, the words of the songs would sink deep into me and then come bubbling up from time to time. Recently the song 'Carry the Hope' bubbled up. This song from more than 20 years ago reminded me that we carry hope; we are His hands and feet. The chorus says, "now is the time for me to carry the hope", which punctuates this spiritual lifeline for today's world, especially after the disruption of 2-year pandemic and an uncertain future.

2021 has been filled with hundreds, if not thousands of times when LLP, as the hands and feet of our Lord Jesus, have carried the hope to people. Sometimes the job seemed overwhelming with the need so great, and yet we have been able to introduce people to Jesus in real and meaningful ways that transformed lives. Our team has prayed, and with awe and wonder, seen miracles happen. We have conversely felt the pain of watching people whom we have loved and prayed for in the name of Jesus, fall back into active addiction and die. And yet we press on, keeping our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

When Lucinda led a book study on "The Real Faith" by Charles S. Price, we were reminded that belief is different than faith. Real faith comes from Jesus, and when we don't have enough faith, we can ask Him for some of His mountain moving faith. With Jesus, we can move, not in our own weak faith, but in His strength. Our goal is to cooperate with Him as He reveals His kingdom on this earth.

I continue to be amazed by the generosity of the people who donate to Listen Love Pray. Since we started as an organization five years ago, we have not been limited by finances in any of the work we have been called to do. The commitment of the Listen Love Pray staff and volunteers make it a joy to be part of this organization. Together we are making a difference as we carry the hope.

Yours in Christ,

Ken Nelson

Our Mission

Listen Love Pray Foundation exists to bring the love of God and the healing power of Jesus to hurting people.

We lead Christ-centered educational and healing programs in recovery centers, teach classes in the community and in churches, offer private healing prayer sessions, and hold a weekly healing service.

When darkness seemed to be winning, we experienced the power of Jesus in 2 ministries: Healing Prayer and Celebrate Recovery, and we continue to share our experiences with others. We have prayed with thousands of people and witnessed numerous healings of inner hurts, physical problems, and emotional turmoil. The light of Jesus can pierce the darkest night and bring hope and healing. We are never alone in our struggle.

We believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, based on Scripture found in the Bible, and are led by Holy Spirit. **Ephesians 3:16–21** is part of our logo and provides the Biblical foundation for what we do.

I pray that out of His glorious riches He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

— Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, Chapter 3, verses 16-21

We are all in rest

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Our Ministries

At Listen Love Pray Foundation, we focus our work in these primary areas:

- Healing Prayer
- Recovery
- Education

We see and experience Jesus' healing presence in all of these ministries today.

In 2021, Listen Love Pray Foundation continued with our ministries over Zoom. As local Covid guidelines were relaxed, we were able to resume our ministries in person.

Listen Love Pray Foundation navigates through our Spirit-filled volunteers, staff, and contractors. Our total service hours grew by more than 25% from 2020 to 2021. These service hours provide a metric for how we engage, serve, and support our ministry areas. More importantly, they represent connections for Listen Love Pray Foundation to listen to those to whom we serve, love those people as Christ models for us, and share the love of Jesus and His healing power in the lives of all those with whom we connect.

Our service hours include training hours to educate and develop our staff, volunteers, and our community; healing prayer including evening services, intercessory prayer, and healing prayer appointments; supporting our recovery ministry; engaging through social media; and outreach to the church and broader community.

In 2021, we nearly doubled our recovery ministry service hours, reflecting an expansion of the programs we are offering, as well as the recovery organizations with which we engage. During 2021 our Executive Director as well as other staff members volunteered a number of hours over and above that for which they are compensated, and those hours are reflected the 'Special Hours' category.

Ministry	2020 Service Hours	2021 Service Hours
Healing Prayer	2,208	2,322
Recovery	704	1,367
Training	1,665	989
Leadership	260	560
Special Hours*		852
Total Hours	4,837	6,090

^{*}Not captured for 2020

Healing Prayer

In our Healing Prayer ministry, we offer weekly Healing Prayer Services, and Healing Prayer Sessions. We conduct our Healing Prayer Services on all 52 weeks of the year. In the beginning of 2021, these services were offered over Zoom only, however, in June 2021 we offered our first in person service since the pandemic began in March of 2020. This outdoor Healing Prayer Service was held at Paradise Stables in Mount Airy, Maryland, where many had a chance to experience a Healing Prayer Service in person after gathering on Zoom for more than a year.

We have continued to offer in person Healing Prayer Services monthly at Marvin Chapel UMC in Mount Airy, Maryland, as circumstances permitted. When not meeting in person, we continue to offer Healing Prayer Services via Zoom, welcoming people who live in different states.

In our Healing Prayer Ministry, we offer several ways with which we connect with prayer recipients, and our volunteers and ways of serving have multiplied over the course of 2021. We responded to a total of 1,687 requests for Healing Prayer, through 35 prayer ministers, and provided 2,322 hours of service. Further details are in the table below.

Healing Prayer Offering	Number of Prayer Ministers Engaged	Hours of Service
Healing Prayer Services	35	1,196
Intercessory Prayer Team	14	372
Healing Prayer	33	754
Total	82	2,322



During 2021, Listen Love Pray Foundation was able to offer a hybrid approach to our Intensive Prayer Ministry, with a mix of Zoom and in person prayer sessions. Listen Love Pray Foundation continues to experience and share the healing power of Jesus whether in person or over Zoom.

Caring for our volunteers and staff is important to Listen Love Pray Foundation, and this year, in partner with Paradise Stables we were able to offer several sessions of 'Healing with Horses'. This was a unique experience for participants to be guided by Paradise Stables instructors and the people that participated were extraordinarily blessed by the staff and ministry.

Recovery

As noted above, Listen Love Pray Foundation significantly expanded our ministry in the recovery community, serving the Changed Life Recovery Program (CLRP) at the Frederick Rescue Mission, as well as several sober homes for women in the Frederick, Maryland and Mount Airy, Maryland areas. The below table summarizes how our service hours were utilized in supporting our recovery ministry during 2021.

Recovery Ministry	Number of Prayer Ministers Engaged	Hours of Service
Women's Bible Study	7	368
Women's Step Study	10	190
Men's Healing Prayer	13	612
Men's Celebrate Recovery	12	197
Total	42	1,367

During 2021, our programs at the CLRP at the Frederick Rescue Mission included the fourth and fifth Sunday evenings, every second Wednesday morning, and the introduction of Celebrate Recovery every Thursday night. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered twelve step program focusing on lessons and small group time for sharing. We were able to provide these additional services because of our wonderful, committed volunteers.



Each month, we offer 6 different programs for women recovering either in sober homes or in private settings (first and third Wednesdays and every Monday). LLP's ladies recovery ministry expanded in 2021 to include the Rainbow of Love sober homes in Mount Airy and in Frederick. Our dedicated and trained teams engage with the women through interactive 12 step lessons using the Life Recovery Bible, focusing on themes important to women in recovery, including shame, guilt, self-esteem, trust, identity, and relationship triggers. Listen Love Pray Foundation provides an atmosphere of acceptance, hope and support to these women in recovery.



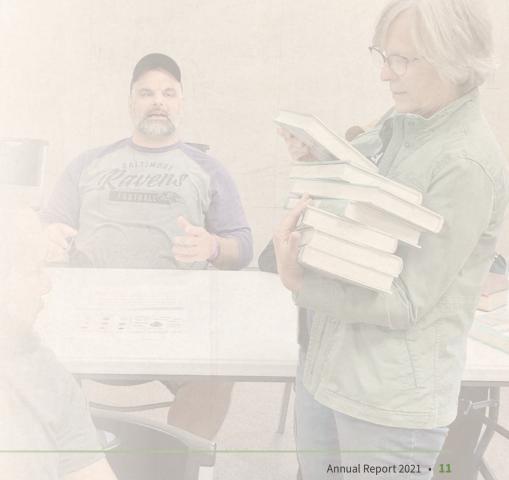
During 2021, we were awarded two grants to develop and implement programs carrying into 2022 for both men's and women's recovery for substance use disorder (SUD). We understand that abstinence is not recovery. Recovery happens when men and women work on 'heart hurts'. Our programs focus on identifying root issues and healing deep wounds that often lead to a path of addiction, as well as developing a comprehensive battle plan for the future. We first help folks step out of denial and gain insight on personal weaknesses and triggers. Next comes the development of a plan to combat these weak areas with the creation of realistic steps and attainable goals. Scripture serves as a source and moral compass and assists in positive decision-making. In the execution of these programs, the men and women start to see mental, emotional, and spiritual strength take hold in their lives.

At Listen Love Pray Foundation we recognize that an increasing number of families are impacted by addiction, with many loved ones ultimately losing their lives to addiction. In September, we 'went purple' supporting Frederick County goes Purple at the Frederick Rescue Mission. In October, we offered a unique opportunity through our newsletter for family members to honor those affected by addiction, whether they were actively engaged in recovery, struggling with addiction, or had lost their life to addiction. The incredible response demonstrated the large numbers of folks who are affected by this disease, while still holding on to the hope and healing found only in Jesus.

Education

Education is an important dimension of Listen Love Pray Foundation's ministry, and we offered a wide variety of classes in 2021 to our community. We had a total of 30 prayer ministers participating in nearly 1,000 hours of training and education over the course of the year. We provide continuing education for our ministers regardless of the ministry they support, whether recovery or healing prayer. We offered Healing Prayer and Deliverance training for those interested in becoming prayer ministers, and for those wishing to further develop or refresh their skills.

Throughout our ministry we emphasize the need for listening; listening to those for whom we are praying and listening to what God has for us and those for whom we pray. We describe it as using one ear to listen to the recipient and using the other ear to listen to Holy Spirit. It is important for all of us to continue to develop and practice that skill, and therefore, LLP offered a class on hearing God's voice based on the book '4 Keys to Hearing God's Voice' by Mark & Patti Virkler. We also teach on this topic in all our healing prayer classes.

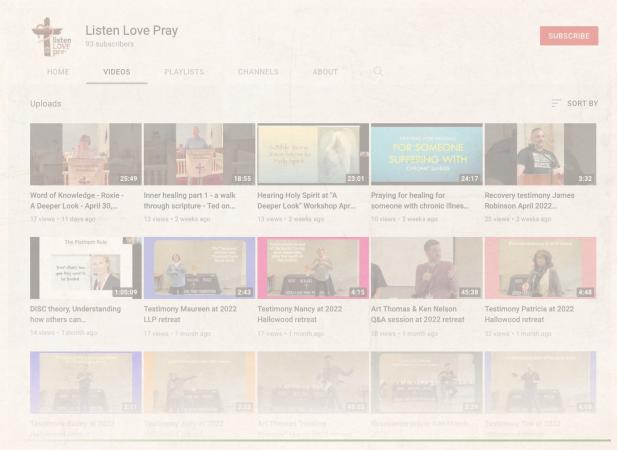


Our Reach

We continue to reach out to the hurting through email and text, as well as our presence on YouTube and Facebook. We measure our engagement in terms of followers and reach. Our followers represent those who have actively made a decision to follow our Facebook page. Our reach represents those who have some sort of content from our Facebook page enter their screen. During 2021, we saw an increase in our Facebook visits by nearly 83% over 2020. Our reach increased nearly 100%.

During 2021 we developed a short video that tells the story of how Listen Love Pray Foundation came about, as well as how Jesus is providing hope and healing today through our ministries. As of December 2021, we had a library of nearly 100 videos on YouTube, comprised of teachings and testimonies for all aspects of our ministries. We continue to use Facebook and You Tube as mechanisms to share our ministry and what people have experienced through the love and healing of Jesus. We continue to trust that God places us and our ministry where He wants, through all our outreach tools.

Our Executive Director, Lucinda Nelson provides an important voice in our community outreach, speaking with civic organizations, as well as church and other faith-based organizations, sharing how Listen Love Pray Foundation shares the healing and hope of Jesus every day.



Our Volunteers

The work we do at Listen Love Pray Foundation does not happen without the love, faithful commitment, and contribution of time and effort by our volunteers. They are an integral part of what we do. As noted above, our volunteers contributed more than 6,000 hours to the ministries of Listen Love Pray Foundation. They tirelessly and passionately share the love of Jesus, and it is because of their time, energy and love that we have been able to expand our ministries so significantly in 2021. One of the ways we recognize them is through our annual volunteer picnic, which was held in September of 2021. We are so thankful for all they contribute to the foundation.



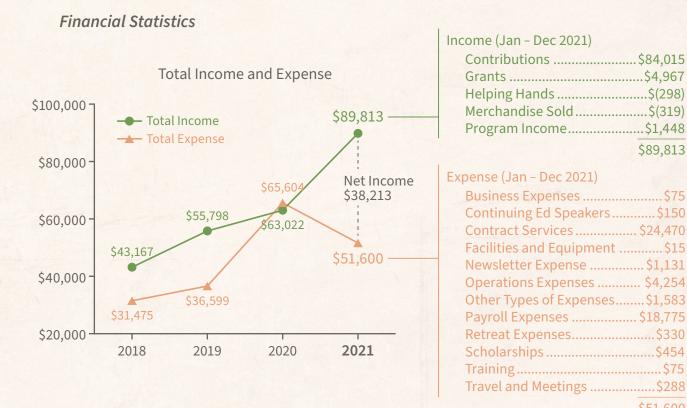
A group photo from the 2021 LLP Volunteer Appreciation Picnic

Our Finances

Listen Love Pray Foundation is a 501(c) 3 non-profit entity as classified by the Internal Revenue Service. With the financial support provided by our partners, we are opening windows in dark places, and witnessing the healing love of Jesus transform lives. As we have continued to grow our ministries since our inception in 2017, we are fueled by the generous contributions of those who fund our ministry.

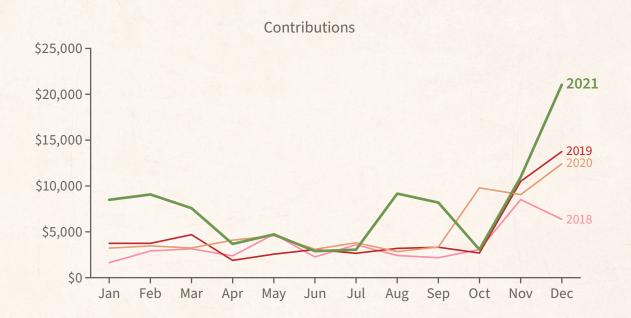
Our Board of Directors and Executive Director, first and foremost, seek to be led by Holy Spirit in how donations are used, and work to ensure they support the ministries of Listen Love Pray Foundation.

Our income is primarily through donations, but a minimal amount is also provided through our training. We saw an increase of income during 2021 of about 43%. Listen Love Pray Foundation was awarded two grants in 2021. Both grants were awarded to support the Recovery community, with the first being for the 'Great Life Plan 4 Men', and the second being the 'Great Life Plan 4 Women'. Both were awarded by The Community Foundation of Frederick. Listen Love Pray Foundation will be executing the proposed plans for these grants in 2022.



\$89,813

\$51,600



After prayerful consideration, the board determined that for 2022, we will be able to bring our Executive Director on full time to provide the direction and leadership needed as this foundation continues to grow. We also brought on a part-time employee in 2022, our Healing Prayer Coordinator, to support our ministries.

As resources are needed, we will continue to expand contractor staff to help manage and execute the business functions needed to support this organization. The bulk of our expenses go to cover these costs, which allow us to continue to run and develop key programs for our ministry, communicate what the ministry can offer, and support our volunteers. We continue to be amazed how the Lord works through this ministry, and fuels it for His good purposes.

Our Leadership

We are grateful believers in Jesus who live in freedom, changed by His amazing grace. We know that life can be hard. We understand what it feels like to be hopeless & discouraged. God doesn't want any of us to live that way! We work the 12 steps and experience the love and peace of Jesus in healing prayer. Jesus has given us an inner strength. We know the power of His presence and the joy of life.

Our Executive Director, Lucinda Nelson, provides the vision and direction for Listen Love Pray Foundation. She provides leadership to the entire team, champions the mission of Listen Love Pray Foundation, provides direction for, and manages day to day activities that execute on that mission. Ms. Nelson has guided the organization throughout 2021 to continue to support our ministries, while navigating the ever-changing COVID guidelines and situations to ensure our volunteers are safe, while continuing to share the healing love of Jesus.

Judy Winfield serves as our Healing Prayer Coordinator, interacting with all of those who receive healing prayer and deliverance from Listen Love Pray Foundation. She manages the scheduling, communication and follow-up with all recipients, as well as gathers testimonies from those who have received healing and deliverance. Judy coordinates and ensures our healing prayer ministers participate in continuing education through the year as well as their own self-care, and regularly checks in with the volunteer ministers.

Our current Board of Directors and officers includes:

- Ken Nelson President
- Dennis Yocum Vice President
- Ted Winfield *Treasurer*
- Maureen Armacost Secretary
- Kristin Nelson
- Carol Pennington
- Tandi Tucker Toni

Looking Forward to 2022

The healing love of Jesus flows through all we do within LLP ministries. Holy Spirit inspiration has led us to people and places where we watch in awe as God's grace sets the prisoner free. Several new programs are ready to launch in 2022 and we anticipate that more people will directly experience the joy of seeing Jesus work in their lives. Glory to God in the highest!

In recovery ministry, our dedicated teams will offer 130 programs in different settings. For the men in the year-long changed life recovery program at the Frederick Rescue Mission, we plan to hold an evening Celebrate Recovery, a mid-morning Christ-centered session, and the Great Life Plan 4 Men (a unique LLP action plan created by 11 prayer ministers). Two nights a week are set aside for women in recovery, with the newly created Great Life Plan 4 Women (Christ centered step work and emotional healing). This program will reach ladies who are maintaining sobriety in private homes, as well as, those living in sober homes like Rainbow of Love Recovery (for women and their small children) and Faith House. We also will invite ladies from Wells House, On Our Own Frederick, Westminster Rescue Mission, and Orenda Center of Wellness.

As soon as COVID restrictions lift, we will enhance in-person healing services with a dedicated worship leader and communion every 1st Tuesday, and a contemplative service with testimonies every 3rd Tuesday. All other Tuesday nights will be on Zoom to maintain an accessible source of healing prayer for folks who are sick, home-bound or living far away.

The requests for healing prayer continue to increase each year, and our trained volunteers remain dedicated to serving others in Jesus' name. These anointed folks lovingly offer intercessory prayer, Zoom meetings, and private prayer sessions for all who desire the healing or deliverance that only Jesus can supply. LLP will provide support, care, and regularly scheduled continuing ed for every person who serves within the ministry.

We feel called to share the good news that Jesus still heals and delivers folks today. In 2022, a book of over 80 testimonies will be finished, enabling LLP to bring real-life stories to a broader audience. We will grow our social media sites like Facebook and YouTube and regularly broadcast our events, our testimonies, and our Jesus and His love! And LLP will continue to offer classes on how to pray for healing, how to hear God's voice, and other powerful teachings for our community.

God is good. His love endures forever. His mercies are new each morning. Great is His faithfulness.

Lucinda Nelson Executive Director