

Dear Readers:

I would like to thank the many groups and organizations over the past months that have been interested in sharing the burden of helping the poverty stricken of our local communities. We live in a great country that unfortunately has over 40 million fellow Americans that exist in hunger daily.

There are many other moments of pain and suffering for our fellow creations of the Lord. Poverty affects children as well as adults. There are many moments of despair and bewilderment.

Together we can offer a means for survival and ease the pain and suffering of the poverty stricken. When there is hunger and a lack of food, when you have outstanding utility bills and know that at any time your heat, lights, appliances, may be turned off, there is mental anguish and instability in your life. Struggling to survive—especially when you are being threatened with cold, darkness and the fear of becoming homeless, is one of the most heartfelt pains.

For whatever reason poverty strikes, it means that there is suffering. Sometimes, for our fellow Americans, it starts with the loss of a loved one who was the main financial support for the household. Sometimes there is an illness and any time taken off from work can cause a major setback. Our fellow Americans have to deal with the loss of their jobs when companies are outsourcing overseas, creating a global economy. Instead of creating a self-sufficient population in each country, there is a price being paid to globalize. That is the pain and suffering of poverty for millions.

I want to thank everyone individually who is doing something to make our communities a better place to live. Helping out one person at a time, one family at a time can make a difference. The private sector has once again taken it upon their hearts to help.

If it is helping a child who is living with the pain of poverty, or an adult going through the fear of not being able to provide for their family or maybe even just for themselves; or an elderly senior, living in the fear of not being able to pay their rent, utilities and food, together we can ease their suffering.

I have to thank everyone for Caring and Sharing. If you are an individual, or one of the wonderful groups who have come together to make a difference and make a change, my heart is filled with thankfulness and gratitude for you. Together we are making a big difference.

We are trying to put an end to hunger by supplying food to the food pantries. Remember, every attempt to do something is not always 100 percent. Sometimes, there are problems to work through and defects to adjust. Together we will make the necessary changes to make every movement to help the poverty stricken go in a positive direction.

If everyone reached out together, we could easily help those in need. We all could feel good about doing what is morally expected of us. Please do what you can and please help.

For those of you that do not know about the time when I saw an elderly woman fall right on her face, I would like to share that moment. As I was pulling up to a food store, I saw an elderly lady trip and fall flat on her face.

As I got out of my car and ran towards her, I could see her lying there. A few individuals walked around her to go into the store; one actually stepped over her arm. When I got to her side, I noticed a few others were standing and staring. I knelt down and reached out and gently lifted her head. She was bleeding and she was crying...crying in shame.

I looked up and asked someone if they had a cell phone to call for help. With that, I looked back at her. Even though she had physical pain, the shame she felt was even worse. As I held her, I told her, "Please do not cry, even the young fall." She looked at me and reached out and held me. She gave a half smile and said, "Thank you."

So what kind of person are you? The kind that would ignore the situation, ignore the pain and suffering, walk around or walk by? The kind that steps over some one in need, and moves on? Or are you one of those that have the heart, the kindness, to be a part of Caring and Sharing. Please help. I cannot help all of those I have found in need, alone. But together we can make a bigger difference.

For those of you that are frugal, but can do so much more: "When will be the time that you will share those blessings to do even more?" Remember the story of the poverty stricken old woman who put her two coins in the collection basket. Could you still eat and still take care

of you and yours after making a difference in sharing the blessings that have been bestowed on you?

There are so many that profess their belief in God. What limitations do you put on that belief? What understanding do you feel God would want you to do? When that day comes and that question is put...“What have you done to help?” Are you going to be able to say, “All that I could?” For some yes, for many there is going to be a void. There is going to be many who fall short. Some of us are taught those that we help are put before us, for a reason.

I do not understand this. If in fact there is a true belief in our Lord, why do we decide that part of giving, the Lord’s way of giving, is not part of our life? Everyone cannot compare their giving to someone else unless they compare it proportionately. For those that are given much in blessings, they could accomplish much by Caring and Sharing.

For those who want to hide and ignore moments of truth, they do not want to see that elderly lady lying on her face, they do not want to reach out and help and do all they can.

You know the old saying, “Let your conscious be your guide?” That conscious is God within your heart. But if you truly believe in God, you know as well as I, God does know. Why has that part of the heart of so many gone numb? Is it because God has not given you the key? I do not think so. God gives each and every one of us that key.

Sometimes capitalism gets in the way of our true salvation. “What’s in it for me,” is more important. In capitalism we invest in our financial future. When you really believe in yourself as a being, and as a creation, and your true future—it is time to invest in that time, in doing God’s work. For all of you who have been doing your share, God Bless you.

God Bless everyone. It is so good to know that there are hundreds and hundreds of our fellow creations of God pitching in, Caring and Sharing. The groups that I have been invited to speak before have moved me so much with their genuine concern and their heartfelt interest in helping others. It feels so good not to be alone. I thank the Lord for each and everyone of you. May God Bless all of you with health and happiness. I thank everyone for Caring and Sharing.

Health and Happiness, God Bless Everyone,
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A Big Thank You and a Prayer For Healing to Paul Ziegler.

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Please Help by Caring and Sharing. Send your donation to: *The Time Is Now to Help*, PO Box 70, Pell Lake, WI 53157. Every penny of your donation will go to the needy for daily necessities of life including: food, clothing, utilities, toiletries, shelter assistance, and household necessities.

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Endowments/Helping Others through Your Will: For those of you who wish to leave an endowment for the poverty stricken, we would greatly accept any gifts. Please think of those in desperate need, good people, living in fear of poverty and consider helping them through your will.

Desperately Needed Cars: If anyone has a car they can donate, knowing you will be helping people get back on their feet, out of their desperate need for transportation to work, etc., please call 262-249-7000. We have many in desperate need of reliable transportation, so they can regain their independence, retain their jobs, provide food and necessities for their families, and ease their pain and suffering. Thank You and God Bless You.

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Kiwanis caption:

Sal Dimiceli, founder of The Time Is Now, is pictured with members of the Kiwanis Club of East Troy. Sal was asked to speak to the group about the plight of the poverty stricken in our local communities.

St. John's Catholic Church caption:

St. Vincent DePaul's Society and Community Outreach, both of St. John's Catholic Church in Twin Lakes, requested Sal Dimiceli, founder of The Time Is Now, to do a presentation on The Time is Now and the poverty stricken throughout our local communities.