

## **Our Solution is Love**

The good news of what we are accomplishing together, helping our fellow creations, is moving people all over the world. It is wonderful to share with both CNN and CBS what The Time Is Now to Help accomplishes on an everyday basis. Everything could have stopped after one visit from CNN, after three visits their interest keeps growing. Last week CBS' Steve Hartman spent a long day with us filming for his segment on the CBS Evening News called On the Road. Now Fox News has asked me to come to their studio to do a live Thanksgiving Day presentation. It is absolutely wonderful that our caring and sharing for our fellow creations is turning heads all over the world. In the midst of recession, political fighting,...we are showing the world how we have come together in harmony, doing God's will to love one another.

When CNN was in town taping their program to air on the CNN Heroes: An All Star Tribute on December 11, 2011 at 7 p.m. CT on CNN, I did a follow up visit to a family that is struggling with the head of the household that is now a quadriplegic. He was once a healthy man, but a disease set in and is progressively paralyzing his entire body, even into his vocal cords. I do have handicapped people that I occasionally check on because they are in situations where they are just making ends meet. If a requirement comes up for one of those necessities of life, it throws their budget off and they fall behind. When I drove up to their house I noticed their handicapped van had severely deteriorated. The rust had progressed to the point my whole arm could go through the side of the van. When I opened the door I noticed rust had permeated along with the moisture inside of the van. The roof was rusting in. The entire van was in very poor shape.

I went inside to visit. The handicapped individual had a great smile, excited I was there to visit. I gave him and his wife a hug. I also shared a hug with their son. The man's devotion for God has always been very apparent as he made out the words "Ggggoodd bbblesss yyuu." I immediately returned with, "God bless all of you." After we spoke for a few minutes I brought up the condition of their handicap accessible van. They said that they had been searching to purchase another handicap accessible van. I said that was great and asked them how much they were looking to spend. With clear thought, I was told by the wife that they had been bidding on one on EBay for \$500-800. There was a tone of confidence in her voice. I thought to myself they were positively thinking that they would place their bid at \$500 or \$800 and there would be a miracle that no one would out bid them so they could get a replacement. They told me \$800 would be their maximum they could afford. I thought what kind of handicapped accessible vehicle could they possibly get for \$800? I just wanted to burst into tears and hug them. I knew there was no way that they could get a handicap accessible van for \$800 that would be in any better condition than what they already had. We continued to talk. After going over their budget I offered them some financial assistance. As

always, they were very appreciative and grateful. The man smiled and you could see in his eyes that he wanted to cry for what we were helping them with, while it was only enough to keep them in budget, it meant the world to him. Other than what is generated by moving a valve located under his chin to make his handicap chair move, he had to rely on those around him for everything, bathing, feeding...my heart pours out for our beloved handicapped. I hugged them goodbye with a promise to return.

When I left, I contacted a wonderful fellow devout believer in God. I told him that I had located a handicap van in southern Illinois, and asked if I could have help to get it up here to Wisconsin. This wonderful person, having decades of experience in the automobile industry, did not even hesitate to offer his assistance. He did not ask me when, he operates the same way I do, NOW. His family, and business have been helping me for years. The very next day he had the van. It was a used van, but in excellent condition. He had his mechanics go through it from one end to the other. Some work had to be done but it was in excellent condition. My friend in the car business asked me how much money I currently had in The Time Is Now to Help account. He knows that The Time Is Now to Help spends most donations as soon as they are received. Most of the time, we have more requests than we can financially assist. That is why it is so important to have all of you, our loyal supporters, because together we do make a huge impact on our fellow creations lives by easing their pains of poverty. When I told him how much money we had to spend, he said that he would cover 75% of the van's costs. I immediately gave him a hug and thanked him for helping this very deserving fellow American.

After several hours, I received a call from my car friend telling me he had changed his mind. He asked me, "How many requests do you have?" When I told him over a hundred, he said, "I cannot take any of your money. Use that money to help others in need. I am going to pay for the entire van." I was moved by his compassion. I thanked him profusely as I started to cry. When I hung up the phone, I thanked God for this true friend of The Time Is Now to Help, and all of you, for Caring and Sharing for God's creations put before us.

The very next day, CNN and I returned to the small shelter of the family in need of the handicapped van. After we said our hellos I asked if they would come outside because I had something to show them. They looked confused, but trusting me as a friend, they wrapped a blanket around my handicapped friend. After I tucked it in around him and his chair, he leaned his chin into the control and the chair started creeping towards the door. At that very moment, the nephew of my friend who owns the car dealership pulled into the driveway with their new van. As my friend inched his chair out the door, he was watching where he was going until he realized his wife grabbed onto his chair. You could hear his voice trying to talk and she pointed. He turned his head and saw what she was crying about. Pulling in the driveway was a bright silver handicap accessible van. His paralyzed body answered to his

emotions. His entire body began to shake as he opened his mouth and began to cry. I told them, "Here is your new van." Both of them in total disbelief, kept crying and shaking. With that I hugged both of them and we cried together. For the next half hour, while ignoring the cold, they looked over the van. They watched as the ramp came out and lowered...and then lifted back into the van. Even though they still had occasional tears, their happiness and gratitude to all of us was expressed with great appreciation. I told them as I have told everyone we help, our good works are done by all of us/your caring and sharing, loving one another as God wants us to.

When we left we were all emotionally drained. The CNN crew that travels the world, seeing all manner of suffering and strife, from filming wars to disasters, even some of these seasoned journalists and camera men had tears in their eyes. They thought it was wonderful that we, together in our communities, have found a solution and are working together. A solution our worlds governments need to find. At the end of our day, after filming other visits, each member of the CNN crew gave me a hug and told me how grateful they were about all of us sharing with them the good news that they all so needed. We even gave comfort to these people that cover the news around the world.

God bless each and every one of you for making The Time Is Now To Help a reality, relieving the pain and suffering of poverty for our fellow creations. Thank you and God bless everyone.

Be sure to watch CNN Heroes: Where Are They Now on CNN 7 p.m. CT on Thanksgiving evening November 24, 2011. Also Fox 6 News in Milwaukee will be interviewing Sal on Thanksgiving morning live at 8:45 a.m.

Please continue to vote for Sal for CNN Hero 2011 at [www.cnnheroes.com](http://www.cnnheroes.com) . We only have a few more weeks to show our support. You can vote up to ten times a day per email address and Facebook account. The \$250,000 award would be very beneficial for our fellow Americans in desperate need. Thank you for voting!

*Health and Happiness, God Bless Everyone, WC/Sal Dimiceli Sr.*

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**Special Events:** Join us at Sprechers's Pub on Thursday, December 15, 2011 at 6 p.m. to celebrate their one year anniversary in Lake Geneva benefitting The Time Is Now to Help. There will be a complimentary buffet, new release cocktail tasting, and they will be releasing the World Class Sprecher Winter Brew.

Side by Side Fundraiser to be held at Simple Restaurant, 525 Broad St., Lake Geneva on Tuesday, November 29, 2011. Seating's at 5, 6, and 7 p.m. \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Tickets are available at the door, at member churches, or contact Liz Amann at (262) 248-4613. All profits go directly to the poor of this area.

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