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The LORD is my shepherd; I have all that I need. He lets me rest in green meadows; He leads me beside peaceful streams.

He renews my strength. He guides me along right paths, bringing honor to his name.

Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me.

You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies. You honor me by anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings.

Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the LORD forever. [NLT]

Psalm 23, David's song of his Great Shepherd, magnified in the words of Jesus in John 10! The Lord is the great protector, encourager and provider. Witnessing the heart of the Great Shepherd through the month of March has been an encouragement and joy.

The Assemblies of God Women's Ministries "Touch the World Fund" awarded the Center for the Blind \$5,000 to upgrade critical equipment and specialized software that will become totally useless in just a couple of months. The Assemblies of God Credit Union chose to bless us with a check for \$4,000. Their assistance enabled the ministry to meet its end of the fiscal year obligations. The Center for the Blind volunteer staff pitched in to pay the fee for an exhibit at the Southern Missouri District Council.

Paul's computer is in very poor condition and should have been replaced a couple of years ago, but funds have not been available. A U.S. Missions staff change freed up a PC that is in excellent condition. The folks at AGUSM made it available for Paul. Thank you AGUSM administration!



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The Center for the Blind phones have had problems for a long time. Also, our server was overdue for upgrades. The NLRC IT department determined that it would cost about \$1,300 to upgrade the server and correct the phone problems. The other option offered by IT was to switch us to the national office server at no cost! The no cost option is faster and more efficient, with unlimited space and better access to the NLRC and U.S. Missions network resources.

He prepares "a feast for me in the presence of my enemies." Outdated software and computer problems might not be anything like a garrison of Philistine soldiers, but they do threaten the Center for the Blind's ability to serve the Blind.

Thank you for your gifts, volunteer service and prayers. Thank you for rejoicing with the staff and giving the Great Shepherd the honor and glory He deserves.

Serving the King of Kings by serving those who are Blind,

Paul & Caryl Weingartner

Paul and Caryl Weingartner and the Center for the Blind Staff

Paul receives a surprise gift of \$4,000 from the Assemblies of God Credit Union. Their generosity met the needs of the Center for the Blind for the closeout of the fiscal year. Standing with Paul is Bruce Webb from the AGCU and Karlene Gannon from Women's Ministries. Karlene brought our needs to the attention of the credit union Board of Directors.



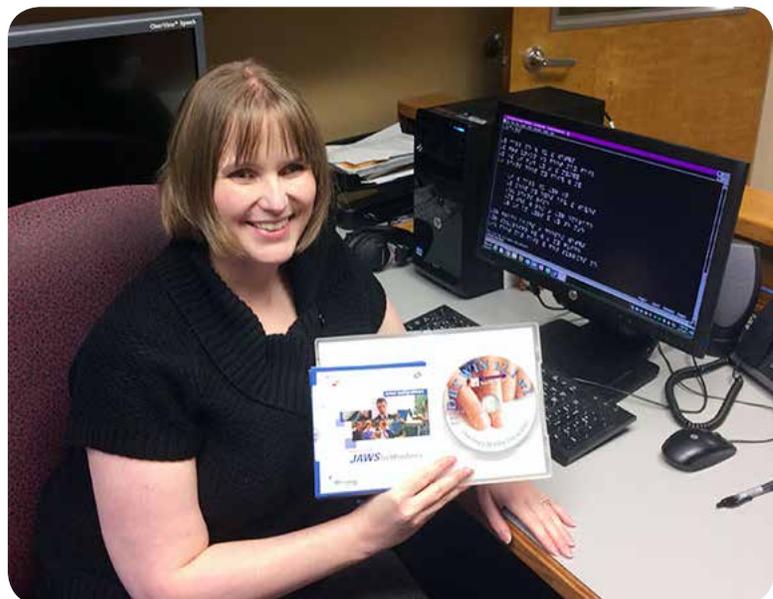
Recently, Sarah presented a need to our office staff and volunteers for better quality video software to help improve our outreach. We took up a collection among ourselves and came up with enough money to purchase the needed software. And no one person gave more than \$5. Just look at the difference this small amount made!



Sarah shows off two desperately needed program upgrades. JAWS is a speech program that enables a person to do almost any computer activity without the use of a monitor. Duxbury is used to translate text into Braille.

Both our current programs were years behind in their upgrades and limited in their functionality. They were going to be unusable by the Fall.

Once again, thank you, Touch the World ladies! We so appreciate the upgrades!!!!





A little-known secret of Caryl is that she grew up in Mexico with Spanish as her first language. She played the guitar and composed songs as she traveled throughout the country ministering in coffee houses and churches. She uses her skills now to lead worship for Enabled, a ministry serving people with disabilities.

A little-known secret of Sharron's is that she is not afraid to try new things. Even at 80 years old she is ready to learn new skills. When the *Enabled* group needed someone to run the PowerPoint, Sharron jumped right in and ran the equipment like a pro!



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