

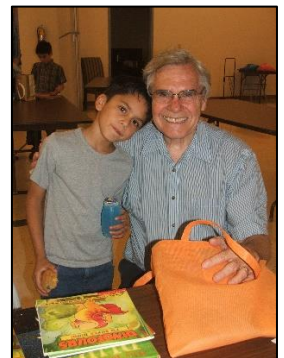


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*Forever  
Thankful*



One Way International board members, present and past wish Homer Schott a happy, healthy, and well-deserved retirement! Many have been the hats that Homer has worn during his twenty year service with OWI. From inception in 2001, he was the one to do all the paperwork to get the ministry started. One of our volunteers lovingly nick-named him our “Kid-magnet!”



Homer has counseled countless children and individuals with the Gospel, taught innumerable Bible lessons, loved and cared for families of the children to whom we ministered, and gone on mission trips to Moldova and Nigeria with OWI. He has been our OWI bookkeeper, done more behind-the-scenes work than anyone could list, and overseen hundreds of volunteers. Homer has also taught children, teens, and adults how to share the Gospel and has been more valuable than anyone could put a price on. Homer is priceless and will be missed more than anyone can adequately express.



We are indeed thankful for him and indebted to him for the many years he served the Lord so faithfully. Please thank the Lord with us for Homer and pray for many years of healthy retirement in which he and Loyette can enjoy time with each other, their family, and doing things they have never had time to do until now. May God bless them richly.

## A word from Homer:



My decision to retire from One Way International was one of the most difficult in my life. This ministry (especially through Joyce) taught me how to present the Gospel with love, how to teach spiritual lessons and how to love those whose need for Jesus was so great. I am reminded of Jesus' words in **Luke 4:18**—"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor." OWI certainly was also anointed to serve the poor wherever God led us. From the inner city of San Antonio, to the Riverside Apartments, to the countries of Moldova and Nigeria, to the SAMM Shelter, Kerrybrook Apartments, and Colonial Hills Elementary (and many other places), OWI (actually God) placed me in zones of wonderful discomfort and the rewards have been great. How I will miss the adults, teens, and children served by OWI and how I will miss the board, staff, and faithful volunteers who encouraged me through our ministry work. I am also so grateful to those who supported me with faithful prayer and support. Please continue to support this wonderful ministry in prayer and financial support and please continue to pray for me as I learn what God has planned for my remaining years. Thank you so much for helping me endure over the years. I leave you with **Numbers 6:24 & 25**: "The Lord bless and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace."

## Our continuing OWI team:



Aimee Neugebauer, Administrative Assistant has accepted additional hours and responsibilities which Homer formally handed. Joyce and Aimee will be dividing Homer's workload and asking God to provide additional volunteers where needed. Aimee has been with our ministry for three years and is an invaluable asset to our organization.



Anne Cooney has graciously accepted bookkeeping responsibilities for OWI. She has been a major volunteer help in the past to OWI and is once again stepping into this very important role. Aimee will assist Anne in the daily posting, receipting, and balancing activities while Anne takes on the responsibility of payroll, payroll taxes, and other reporting to keep our ministry running smoothly.

## Spring/Summer Ministry:

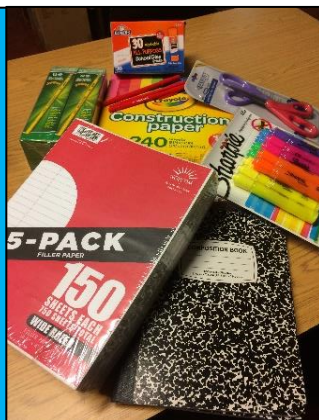
# TEEN TIME

Teen Time has finally begun again and we are so happy to be back with our youth! It has been a difficult year for them and they have many questions about what God is doing in their lives. Please pray as Pete and Joyce reconnect with these amazing young people that we will be able to pour the love of God into their lives. We plan to meet with the teens throughout the summer and take them on a weekend retreat the first weekend of August.



We are overjoyed to be starting Kerrybrook Apartments Kids Club once again in May. The children so need to be able to be encouraged by the Word of God and our loving Kids Club team. We will meet with them each week throughout the summer. Please pray for God's safety for the students and team, for understanding of God's Word, and for a difference to be made in the lives of these precious children.

# School Supplies 2021



**School supplies will be delivered August 14** this year. Please join OWI in being a blessing to those who register with our ministry. Supplies are needed for 60 students Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. **Supplies will be collected July 1-August 2.** If you prefer to make a financial donation instead of supplies please mark it "school supplies." Following is a list of supplies needed.

#2 Pencils	Black or blue ink pens	White glue 4 oz	Glue sticks
Crayola washable markers	Wide rule notebook paper	Pocket folders with brads various colors	Wide rule composition books
Wide rule 70 page spiral notebooks	Construction paper	Graph paper	8 & 10 Tab dividers
Rulers	7" Scissors	3" Binders	Highlighters
Zipper pencil bags	Map pencils	24 ct. Crayons	Index cards

Backpacks are being requested this year as well. We have already been given 14 of the 60 backpacks needed.

**School supplies may be dropped off at the OWI office Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8am and 2pm July 20 through August 5.** If no one is in the office please use the designated drop-off box for school supplies outside.



# Looking toward Fall:



We are hoping to be back to all regular activities as allowed by Northeast Independent School District in August—Kids Club—Teacher/Library Aiding—Tutoring/Mentoring—Teacher Appreciation



Gifts of Love packing & Gifts of Love giving



Bible storytelling and Kids Club festivities

## Please pray:

- we will be able to get back to the school in the fall with all regular activities
- we will have all volunteers needed
- for students trusting in Christ and growing in their walk with Jesus
- for safety and protection for staff, students, families, and volunteers

*With gratitude and hopeful expectation, Joyce Velasquez—Executive Director*