



## LOVE INC AND CHURCH COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

There is nothing else on earth like the Church! It is the Body of Christ!

And the Church is ideally suited by design and definition to address human needs.

Love INC is a servant of the local Church, without Church involvement and collaboration, there is no Love INC.

### THEREFORE, LOVE INC OF LEWIS COUNTY PROMISES TO:

- Verify the legitimacy of needs through the Love INC screening process.
- Discover if those receiving assistance are already receiving help from other churches or agencies.
- Lessen the burden on any one church by rotating assistance requests among collaborating churches.
- Help churches steward resources wisely.
- Coordinate volunteer efforts.
- Reduce the administrative burden of benevolence and mercy ministries on churches.
- Provide long-term, sustainable solutions for those facing chronic need.
- Offer churches specific, manageable ways to extend God's love to people in need.
- Enable churches to serve individuals beyond their own congregations.
- Present a unified witness of God's love as Christian churches work together.
- Provide a spirit-led relationship with partnering Churches.

### THEREFORE, OUR CHURCH COMMITS TO:

- Supporting Love INC financially with an initial contribution, and on a monthly basis in a way that aligns with our church's capacity and budget, recognizing the value Love INC brings to your mission. Support Levels:
  - Faith— \$100 per month
  - Hope—\$250 per month
  - Love— \$500 per month
  - Other—\$\_\_\_\_\_

*"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13*

- Encouraging members to volunteer with, pray for and financially support Love INC of Lewis County.
- Training two-four members in "Redemptive Compassion" and designating one as our Church Ministry Coordinator to Love INC.
- Referring individuals in need to the Love INC Connection Center and receiving those in need from the Connection Center, as appropriate.
- Upholding the Love INC Statement of Faith & the Apostles' Creed.
- Commit to regular communication with Love Inc's Executive Director and hold at least one meeting with our Executive team each year.

Love INC and our church agree that this partnership may be concluded at any time with written notice from either party.

Name of Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Love In the Name of Christ, Lewis County, INC.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_