

Telford Prison Ministries, Inc.

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The site is ready!



New Overnight Facility

This is the building site of the future overnight-stay center of TPMI. It is next door to Oak Terrace Mission, 200 N. Lindsey St., New Boston.

The last Newsletter pictured workers demolishing a dilapidated house on this site. The workers have finished and three city lots stand ready for a new building.

The top picture is looking northeast toward the refurbished apartments of the New Boston Housing authority.

The other photo is facing northwest toward North Lindsey street. The lots are a beautiful setting for the new facility.

When TPMI began the overnight stay ministry in 2003, the Samaritan House apartments were seen as a temporary starting point. The Samaritan house apartments are aging and in constant need of repairs. This new site will provide a larger facility to accommodate more families visiting inmate family members at the Telford Unit, New Boston and the Federal Corrections Institution, Texarkana.

The balance of the construction fund for the new building is \$37,154. The cost of the new building will be approximately \$400,000.

Thank You!

"I want to say thank you for providing a nice and clean place to stay. Thank God for people like you that are so gracious to help some that otherwise might not have had a place to stay. We really appreciate it."

Signed, Recent Overnight guest family

Put These Meetings on Your Calendar

1. Executive Committee: Tuesday, September 7th, 2:00 p.m. — Visitation Center, Telford Unit
2. Volunteer Appreciation Banquet and TPMI Annual Meeting — Tuesday, October 5th, 6:30 p.m. First Baptist Church, New Boston, 506 McCoy Blvd. South, New Boston, Texas 75570

Email addresses needed!!

Our online Newsletter starts in October. Please send your email address to kencox@valornet.com

Also send "eaddresses" for anyone else you would like to receive our "eNewsletter."

Financial Report — Jan. 1st to July 31, 2010

Operating Fund:

Beginning	\$14,077.61
Donations	23,945.74
Expenditures	<u>-31,682.22</u>
Ending	\$ 6,341.13

Overnight Facility:

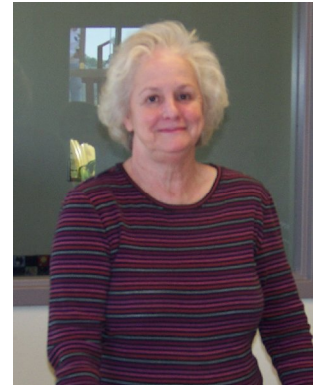
Beginning	\$34,276.50
Donations	<u>2,877.69</u>
Ending	\$37,154.19

Operating Reserve:

Beginning	\$12,846.43
Interest income	<u>13.31</u>
Ending	\$12,859.74

From Edna

It has been a busy summer for TPMI. We housed 150 offender family members at the Samaritan House and over 2,500 folks utilized the Visitation Center at the Telford Unit. We also distributed over 350 Bibles and tracts at the Visitation Center. With the intense heat we have experienced all the families have expressed their gratitude for having the Visitation Center to wait in.



The Samaritan House received some much needed repairs this summer thanks to the UM Army. This is a group of young people and adult sponsors affiliated with the Methodist church that give up their summers to help ministries and private citizens with clean ups, painting, roofing and other repairs. The youth repainted the Samaritan House sign and constructed two wheel chair ramps for the apartments. They did all of this in 100 degree heat. We certainly appreciated their efforts and their servant hearts.

As always thanks for your support through prayer and financially.

Edna Walker.



UM Army workers and a helper paint the sign at the overnight stay center.

Volunteers Needed!!
Call Edna Walker at
903-276-2193

Donations Needed: A great way to give to TPMI is to become a member of the \$100 Club. Members give \$100 per year once per year. It's easy, simple, and makes a significant impact in the lives of people that need a touch of God's Grace.

If you belong already, this is a great time to send in your annual gift!!

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