

Annual Report 2010-2011



SAMARITAN
counseling center

Helping People Find Their Way

**Helping people manage the
stress and hurt in their lives
through counseling and
education based on our
Judeo-Christian heritage.**

www.samaritan-counseling.org

Our Services

Counseling

Our counseling clients might seek help in coping with a recent crisis or long-standing concern. Where difficulties challenge couples or the entire family, people may be seen together as well as individually to help build communication skills and ease tensions. We can assist with a variety of issues through:

- ◆ Individual Counseling
- ◆ Couple Counseling
- ◆ Family Counseling

Education

Our Center recognizes that education can enhance people's lives. Presentations focus on a variety of topics and formats including our:

- ◆ Lunch and Learn Seminars
- ◆ Speakers Bureau Programs

Clergy & Congregation Care Ministries

We provide a variety of ministries to support clergy as well as the congregations they serve.

- ◆ *Clergy Care and Challenge Groups* focus on nurturing leadership among clergy through a book study and case presentations.
- ◆ *HOPE CSA* (Hands-On Pastoral Education using Clergy Sustaining Agriculture) is a course which makes use of creation and colleagues in the context of a small family farm.
- ◆ *Consultation* helps church leaders grow through conflict and developmental transitions.

About Us

The Samaritan Counseling Center is a not-for-profit, non-denominational counseling agency located in the facilities of Christ the King Lutheran Church since 1974. We have been in the facilities of Clay Church's Firehouse Youth Center since 2009.

Samaritan professionals care and offer hope. We affirm the needs of the whole person--body, mind and spirit. Inherent to this philosophy is a respect for the individuality of each client's faith and values.

Our staff represents a variety of disciplines including: clinical social work, pastoral counseling, psychology, and marriage and family therapy. At minimum, counselors hold a masters level degree. Staff members are certified and/or licensed by their respective professional organizations as well as by the State of Indiana. They represent a variety of faith traditions.

The professionals at the Samaritan Counseling Center understand the importance of education. They help people to better understand themselves and more effectively meet the challenges of contemporary life. Our therapists provide a series of continuing education forums for local clergy, laity and social service agencies as well as a Speakers Bureau.

The Samaritan Counseling Center receives its accreditation from the Samaritan Institute, which is the accrediting organization of almost 100 Samaritan Centers serving out of 500 offices in the United States and Japan.



Our Locations



Christ the King Lutheran Church

17195 Cleveland Road
South Bend, IN 46635



Clay Church

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Staff

Executive Leadership Team

Marie A. Blunt, M. Min.

Executive Director

Tony Garascia, MA, LCSW

Clinical Director, Therapist

Rev. Jeffrey Hawkins, M. Div.

*Director of Clergy and
Congregation Care*

Donald Zerfas, CPA

Business Manager

Clinical Staff:

Lorraine Karam, MA, LMHC

Staff Therapist

Rev. Keith Munneke

M.Div., LCSW, LMFT

Clinical Pastoral Counselor

Dr. Auna Preston, HSPP

Clinical Psychologist

Karen Zeck, MA, LMHC

Staff Therapist

Support Staff

Debbie Campoli

Assistant Manager

Kim Hodson

Administrative Assistant

Kerriane Key

Marketing Intern

Team of Volunteer Receptionists

From the Board President

The very encouraging details in this report reflect, but can't fully express, the Samaritan Center's ongoing commitment to educate and heal all those in our community who seek a more stable balance in mind, body and spirit. I am proud to be affiliated with such a remarkably motivated group of selfless individuals who strive to advance the Center's mission. The Center is greatly blessed in the talent and treasure it has drawn upon this past year to serve God's children. We give special thanks for our wonderful volunteers, especially those who donated so much to our new bathroom.

With the help of our dedicated therapists, our tireless executive team and our vigilant board of directors, the Center managed to continue strong session numbers, to expand its program supporting local clergy, to recognize more worthy businesses through the Samaritan Awards, and to prepare for future growth. A new full-time therapist will soon be joining the team, as will be an experienced grant writer. So, as we give thanks for the success of this past fiscal year, we keep in mind that our mission is far from accomplished, and we prayerfully recommit ourselves to making the Center as welcoming and available to our community as it can be.

Sincerely,

Brian R. Gates

President, Board of Directors

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Financials

	2010 - 2011		
	Jul - Jun 2010 - 2011	Jul - Jun 2010- Budget	\$ Var Actual to Budget
Income			
Counseling Services	351,032	334,400	16,632
Educational Programs	50	2,896	(2,846)
Clergy Care Program	<u>16,595</u>	<u>7,730</u>	<u>8,865</u>
Total Income - Services/Programs	367,677	345,026	22,651
Bank Interest/Misc	<u>2,345</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>2,261</u>
Total Income	370,022	345,110	24,912
Expense			
Operating Expense	24,623	26,491	(1,868)
Payroll & Benefits	308,971	299,469	9,502
Professional Development	2,929	3,100	(171)
Program Development	14,239	8,243	5,996
Misc	<u>10,574</u>	<u>8,842</u>	<u>1,732</u>
Total Expenses	361,336	346,145	15,191
Net Income	<u>8,686</u>	<u>(1,035)</u>	<u>9,721</u>

This fiscal year the Samaritan Counseling Center provided 4,629 clinical hours helping 833 clients manage the hurt and stress in their lives. We also provided 20 hours of educational programs and 205 hours of clergy wellness ministry.

Highlights of Our Year

Restroom Project

Through the generous commitment of time from several tradesmen, significant donations from local business and financial commitment of the board, the Center now has our own restroom in our wing of the building. A huge thank you to :

- ◆ Merl Wendling, Larry Sheibelhut, Don Zervas, Karen Wendling and Bob Odell for 324 hours of volunteer labor.
- ◆ Colip Electric, Midland Engineering and Gibson Lewis of Mishawaka for donations of materials and professional services totaling over \$1,300.

We are incredibly grateful for their assistance in completing this monumental task

New Medical Consultant

After many years of faithful service, Dr. Dean Strycker and his wife retired to Arizona. The center is thankful for his contribution and support of this ministry.

We welcome Dr. Sandra Brown, MD who has agreed to serve as our medical consultant. She has a passion for the mission of the Center and brings with her a zeal for quality pastoral care.

Samaritan Awards

Winners of the 2011 Samaritan Awards are:

Daman Products Co., Inc, Jurgonski & Fredlake CPAs, Salon Rouge, and Valley Screen Process Co., Inc. Awards were presented at a luncheon on May 5, 2011 at Windsor Park Conference Center. Samaritan Awards recognize businesses that promote work & family balance. These companies demonstrated a family-friendly work environment through policies, practices, and procedures. Nominations were accepted last fall. Eligible nominees must be located in St. Joseph County, and have 10 or more employees. The Samaritan Awards have a dual purpose: to publicize the "best-practices" and so encourage other area organizations to improve their own work environments, benefiting their employees, their families, and our entire community and to generate funding so that uninsured and underinsured clients at the Samaritan Counseling Center may receive the professional help they need. Proceeds from the luncheon event are placed in the Samaritan Counseling Center's Client Assistance Fund to benefit members of economically disadvantaged families who seek professional counseling therapy.

Selection Committee:

Tim Harmon, *South Bend Tribune*

Right Reverend Edward S. Little, *Episcopal Bishop of Northern Indiana*

Honorable William Whitman, *retired*

Bonnie Bazata, *Bridges Out of Poverty*

Thank you...

Mike Campbell, Keynote Speaker

Jon Thompson, Emcee

Allan Blunt, PowerPoint Genius

Saint Mary's students, Researchers

Thank you to those who made this year's Awards event so successful:

Steering Committee:

Tom Yarger, Co-Chair

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The Samaritan Center is incredibly grateful to these supporters who have given financial and in-kind donations to support our ministry this fiscal year-to-date. In light of the difficult economy, we send them a huge thank you and our heartfelt gratitude for their sustained support.

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Ladig Foundation
North American Signs

\$1,000 to \$1,999

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Goodwill Industries of Michiana
Indiana Trust
Midwest Orthotic & Technology Center
Notre Dame Federal Credit Union
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Thrivent

\$500 to \$999

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Cassady, Neeser & Barsseur
Clay Church
Martin's Super Markets
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\$100 to \$499

Ball, Chuck
Bracke, Jim CSC
Buck, Richard MD
Cerbin, Kate
Clayton, Lorinda
Daman Products
Dennie, Deidra
Falkenberg, Claudia
Garascia, Anthony J
Hamer, Harriet
Harman, Christi
Holy Cross Catholic Church
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Jurgonski & Fredlake CPA's
Kaniewski Funeral Homes Inc
Kruggel, Lawton and Company, LLC
Long, Kathleen
Lydick United Methodist Church
Michiana Family Medicine
Middlebury Church of the Brethren

Milani, Ken
Munneke, Keith
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Preisch, Marla
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Schwier, Pastor Steven
Small, Karen
Spencer, Jane
Strycker, Dean and Janet
Thomas, Tom
Valley Screen Process Co., Inc.
Wendling, Karen
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Up to \$99

Badur, Sandra
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Chamber of Commerce of St Joseph County
Cowden, Matthew
Drendall, Stephen
Eye Care Associates
Frecka, Deb

Frick, Jeff
Gudeman, Beth
Luck, Janet
Moehling, Sandra
New, Ilene
Olson, Maggie
Peterson, Vincent Ph.D
Rabbi Michael Friedland
Salon Rouge
Scharf, Stephanie
Seng, Nancy
Shertzer, Debi
Smith, Martha
Walker, Kathryn
Whitman, William
Zimmerman, Leah

We are grateful for this in-kind support:

- ◆ Merlin Wendling— Drawings and permitting, hauling and procuring, supervision, and construction
- ◆ Larry Scheibelhut— Construction
- ◆ Bob Odell—Construction
- ◆ Karen Wendling—Painting
- ◆ Don Zerfas—Demolition
- ◆ Colip Electric—Provided material and labor to install conduit, wiring, and devices.
- ◆ Midland Engineering— provided 60mill roofing material, adhesive and

- caulking
- ◆ Gibson Lewis of Mishawaka—provided reinforcing steel, foundation insulation, grab bars, the use of TE72 demolition hammer, and disposal of debris

Ongoing:

- ◆ Student intern-administrative support
- ◆ Christ the King Church— land usage and classroom space
- ◆ Allan Blunt— Web services
- ◆ Clay Church— Space usage and at-cost printing services
- ◆ Gibson Insurance—envelopes

A very special thank you to our volunteers :

- Gene Case -John Huchko -Janet Luck
- Loretta Mackey -Sandra Moehling - Pat Naylor
- Maggie Olson -Marla Preisch -Marge Reichmann
- Nancy Seng -Amanda Tromley -Karen Wendling
- Cookie Zerfas

Wish List...

- ◆ Dell 2950 Server or equivalent 64-bit virtualization capable server
- ◆ Firewall (Sonicwall TZ210 and Sonicwall TZ200 or TZ100)