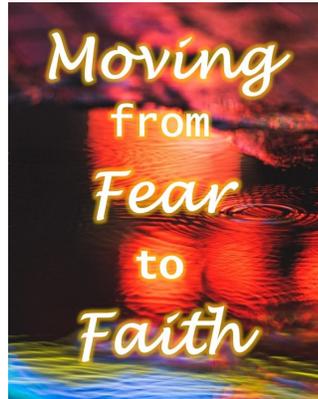


**Our Mission:** Serve this community † Revitalize the Church † Celebrate Christian Unity

**Moving from Fear to Faith (Romans 8:28-39)**

*Fear diminishes our quality of life, our ability to love, and keeps us from the freedom we gain in Christ. How does fear affect faith? How can we move from fear to faith?*



**What's Your Worst Fear?**

*A fear of public failure, unemployment, or heights? The fear that you will never find the right spouse or enjoy good health? The fear of being of trapped, abandoned, or forgotten?*

*These are real fears, born out of legitimate concerns. Yet left unchecked, they metastasize into obsessions. The step between prudence and paranoia is short and steep. Prudence wears a seat belt. Paranoia avoids cars. Prudence washes with soap. Paranoia avoids contact with all humans. Prudence saves for retirement and beyond. Paranoia hoards, even trash. Prudence prepares and plans. Paranoia panics (like the run on toilet paper). Prudence calculates the risk and takes the plunge. Paranoia never enters the water.*

**How to Move from Fear to Faith:**

*As followers of Christ, we have a huge asset. We know everything is going to turn out all right. Christ has not budged from His throne, and Romans 8:28 has not evaporated from the Bible. Our circumstances have always been His possibilities. The kidnapping of Joseph resulted in the preservation of his family. The persecution of Daniel led to a cabinet position. Christ entered the world by a surprise pregnancy and redeemed it through His unjust murder.*

*As we continue to live in the midst of a pandemic, political upheaval, and the exposure of hatred and selfishness, ask God for strength to respond in faith. BE BOLD!*

*Blessings,  
 Mel*

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## Welcome, Blair Bullock!

### What are you going to be doing?

“I’m going to be helping clients, through CareLINK, get rent and utility assistance. At the shelter, I’m going to be helping out the program here, supporting the women as well as doing intake for new clients.”

### Why did you want to intern with Churches United?

“I was very interested in Winnie’s Place, especially. I think that it’s important that women support women. I’m a big believer in that. I am a survivor of sexual violence so it just resonated well with me to come here and I felt like the mission statement of Churches United resonated with me and my beliefs as well.”

### What are your long-term goals?

“My long-term goal is to actually be a therapist for victims of trauma so I want to specialize in just trauma but in order to do that, it’s going to be a lot more schooling. In the meantime, I just want to be a school social worker. I’ve always enjoyed children and I know that growing up and being a teenager can be hard for anyone. I’m interested mostly at the high school level. I guess I would like to be a school social worker but eventually have my own practice.”



### CareLINK Intern/ Shelter Coordinator

Blair started her internship with Churches United of the Quad City Area on August 17th. She is from Kewanee, IL. She is a senior at St. Ambrose University working on her bachelor’s degree in social work. Blair plans on getting a master’s degree in social work too and staying in the Quad Cities. Blair will be working on Mondays at our office as the CareLINK intern and on Wednesdays at Winnie’s Place as a shelter coordinator.

## Thank You!

Thank you, Easter Family Fund through the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines for the generous donation to our ministry.

Thank you, Freight House Farmers’ Market and CertaSite. Working together, the two organizations collected cash and food donations to assist our food pantries.

Thank you, Henry’s Christmas Yard, Kona Ice, and the Oscar Mayer Weinermobile for a successful food drive.



The following individuals and organizations were recognized for significant contributions to the ministries of Churches United at our Delegate Assembly meeting on Thursday, August 27th:

**Minister Jay McCowan**

CUQCA President, Board of Directors  
2017-2020

**Sister Marlene Miller**

CUQCA Board of Directors  
2016-2020

**Marcia Lense Judickas**

CUQCA Board of Directors  
2018-2020

**Glenda Cox-Thomas**

CUQCA Treasure, Board of Directors  
2018-2020

**Sister Kathleen Mullin**

CUQCA Secretary, Board of Directors  
2012-2020

**Byron Church**

CUQCA Board of Directors  
2015-2020

**Family Video**

**Lunardi's Italian Restaurant**

**Holiday Vacations**

**KWQC Broadcasting Station**

**KALA Radio Station**

**Hope United Church of Christ**

**Smokin' Pyro Barbeque**

**Two Men And A Truck/Quad Cities - Davenport**





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### Volunteer Luncheon

On Friday, August 21st, we held a luncheon for the volunteers from Winnie's Wishes Resale Shop. We are grateful to the volunteers who made the ministry a success. We're thankful for Kimberly Reese who catered the event for us.



Have you wanted to be a difference maker but you weren't sure what to do? Have you ever met someone struggling with homelessness and wondered if you could help? Did someone help you and you want to pay it forward? Whatever your motivation may be, we'd love your help.

Winnie's Place needs volunteers. Winnie's Place is our shelter program that helps women, with or without children, who are homeless and/or survivors of domestic abuse, move away from their current situations toward a world of new opportunities.

If you feel called to assist at Winnie's Place, please contact Betsy Vanausdeln at 563-332-5002 or by email at [bvanausdeln@cuqca.org](mailto:bvanausdeln@cuqca.org). We will provide training.



### Winnie's Place Needs List

Face Masks—Adult and Child Sizes

Toilet Paper

Paper Towels

Bus Passes

