Spring for Wings
Celebration Banquet

April 26 – Saturday Night
Central United Methodist Church
201 University Blvd. NE Albuquerque, NM 87106
(Across from UNM one block north of Central Ave. on University.)

Silent Auction & Hors d’oeuvre 5:00 – 6:00pm
Dinner & Live Auction 6:00 pm
Gourmet Dinner Tickets $10.00
Sponsor a Table only $100 – 10 Tickets

You don’t have to attend to sponsor a table.

Invite family, co-workers, neighbors, church members, or sponsor an inmate’s family or Wings for L.I.F.E. family to join you for this fun evening.

All donations are tax deductible. Wings Ministry is a 501(c) 3 not-for-profit organization.

Call today for Tickets – 505.291.6412 or AnnEdenfield@WingsMinistry.org

LIVE & SILENT Auction.
You will be able to bid on items posted on our website even if you can’t make the auction. Items of all kinds will be most appreciated.

Ideas include: Time-shares, tickets to events, pottery, jewelry, arts and crafts, paintings, books, planes/trains/automobiles, furniture, Gift Certificates (hotels, restaurants, beauty salons, river rafting, etc.) from anywhere in the country.

Joe R. Williams, N.M. Secretary of Corrections, will be our Keynote Speaker! Youth from Wings for L.I.F.E., a variety of churches, and other agencies will help serve the dinner. Chaplains John and Shirley Compton will entertain us. Don’t miss this fun night! RSVP today!
Wings Christmas Parties Held in Colorado, Tennessee, Ohio & New Mexico

Interest in having a Colorado Wings/Angel Tree Party led to a wonderful Christmas Party in Greeley, CO on December 15. Volunteers and guests alike were delighted with the event. Comments about the party were enthusiastic.

- I wanted to help those who have someone in jail because I know what they are going through.
- I wanted to see meetings get started in Colorado.
- I love Wings Parties so much; my wife and I drove all the way from Albuquerque to be here.
- I don’t ever talk about this and I NEVER cry. (While sharing her sadness and crying.)

The results were visible even after the party. A family attended Sunday worship at a local church and stated, “Is this the normal time of your services and is there a place for kids during the service? …we will be back!”

What a Party!! by Lorelei Faglier, Colorado Wings Director

In December, amid the hustle and bustle of getting ready for the holidays, Hope Centre Foursquare Church hosted Colorado’s first ever Wings Party. As with the first of anything, we were unsure of what the party would look like, and feel like. But, thanks to Ann who came up a few weeks prior to the party to do training with some of our volunteers, Jim and Lisa Harmon who attended as the official photographers and “ambassadors from Wings National” along with Kristi Hornick, Angel Tree Coordinator, for the Rocky Mountain District, the day was fabulous!!

We were excited as 35 volunteers arrived at 2pm and began the set-up process and then orientation. When the guests began to arrive and play games and mingle with the group already there, you soon realized that all lines of “us and them” disappeared. Everyone participated in the music, adding kazoo to the end of “We wish you a Merry Christmas”. As we moved along through the evening schedule, the shy ones began to giggle and smile and at the teen and adult discussion tables, the freedom to share and to listen to others stories brought tears of joy and of healing. When it was time to unveil the gift table and send Angel Tree gifts home, it was difficult to tell who was more in awe; those receiving or those giving. Of the 20 families invited, 8 attended that day, 3 families have begun attending worship services, and one family is already plugging in as if they had been there for years!! As the evening came to a close and everyone was cleaning up, a boy of 12 approached me with his cookie and matchbox car gifts and his little brother in tow asking, “I can hardly wait until next year, this has been a blast…you are going to have it again next year, right?” Upon assuring him that we would have another party near Easter he let out a “WHOOP!” and ran to tell his grandma.

As we put the finishing touches on our March 15th Wings Party, we find that word has spread. Two other churches are asking to partner with us, our volunteer base has doubled, and we are sending out invitations to 225 families. I love to watch and am honored to participate when God throws the parties… and Wow, what parties they are!!

“As I continued with my morning quiet time, the thought came that the glorious sunrise needed the water vapor to be transformed into something beautiful. It is just as true that we actually need the changes and troubles in our lives in order to shine for Jesus. A clear morning doesn’t produce a beautiful sunrise. A life that is un-challenged does not offer much refraction or beauty, either. It’s when we let God’s light shine through the events that we might call problems, that those around us see the glory of the Lord.”

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WHERE: Boys & Girls Clubs
Old Town Branch—Rio Grande & Mtn. Rd.
1st & 3rd Mondays 6:00—7:30PM

Heights Branch, 3333 Truman NE
(1 block W of San Mateo, between Candelaria & Comanche)
2nd & 4th Mondays 6:00—7:30PM

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Roswell, NM

WHERE: Roswell Boys & Girls Club (201 South Garden)
Twice a Month—Sundays 6:30—8:00PM

Women’s Group at Chaves County Detention Center
1—4 PM every Friday (back-to-back classes)

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Wings for L.I.F.E. Mission Statement:

Building relationships with families, probationers, and former inmates through discussion, mentoring, empowerment, and support by:

- Teaching life-skills and addressing unique needs of family members of incarcerated individuals,
- Strengthening families by building Search Institute’s 40 Developmental Assets™ and,
- Mobilizing and networking community stakeholders to identify and reach families in need. Stakeholders include congregations, Corrections, school systems, the Justice System, and community programs such as Big Brothers Big Sisters and Boys & Girls Club.
Memorial Gifts
Honor Loved Ones

One of the many ways that our ministry partners reflect the care that a loved one displayed during their life is to make a Memorial Gift to Wings Ministry. We appreciate these gifts and wish to publicly acknowledge them and the loved ones on whose behalf they were given.

In Memoriam:

- Jenny Kronk
- Larry Larson
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- High Noon Restaurant & Saloon—ABQ WFL meals
- Domino’s Pizza, 5109 Coors Rd.—ABQ WFL meals
- General Mills

El Malpais National Monument HIKE!
- Sat. April 5—10:00 am
- Meet CUMC to carpool
- Pack lunch & water
- For FUN & explore the beauty of NM!

6th Annual Valentine’s Wings Party
Women’s Correctional Facility
Grants, NM   Feb. 9, 2008
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Digital & Overhead projector
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