



*I made the WIDOW'S heart sing  
I took up the case of the STRANGER  
I was a father to the FATHERLESS (Job 29:12-17)*

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*Greeting with JOY and gratitude!*

*As some of you may already know, I started Good Works during my senior year at Ohio University. We started providing shelter and care to adults and children who were experiencing homelessness in the basement of my home in 1981, and later moved Good Works to a house on Central Avenue in 1984. This house was later named The Timothy House. In 1994, Good Works purchased the Luhrig Road property, and many aspects of our ministry now operate from this location.*

*The community of Good Works has been hosting service opportunities for short-term mission teams (we call them "Work Retreats") since 1995.*

*Groups come to serve alongside us for Saturday Service, weekends in the fall and spring and for week-long service experiences each summer. Our primary focus is to serve widows (or widowers) and older citizens who have a disability, providing labor-intensive service at their homes here in Athens County. Overnight groups stay on the Good Works property in the dorms located inside the Hannah House and have access to our kitchen to prepare and serve meals.*

*My hope for groups who stay with us is two-fold. First, that the work you participate in each day is so reproducible (and doable) that you say "we could do this where we live" and secondly, that deep and lasting connections of trust and friendship form within each group who comes to Good Works.*

*Thank you for your desire to explore a relationship with our community! This section of our website will provide you with the different ways that groups connect with us.*

*Love is a verb,*

*Keith Wasserman,  
Founder & Executive Director*