



## Our Mission

*The mission of Agape Christian Homes is to support the developmentally disabled community by providing safe and caring neighborhood homes to foster independence, social skills, and spiritual knowledge for adults with disabilities and to provide direct community support and outreach to families with children with developmental disabilities.*

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**What's New!**

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We are recruiting new Board Members. If you are interested, please contact [mwendoll@aol.com](mailto:mwendoll@aol.com).

For more information visit [www.agapechristianhomes.org](http://www.agapechristianhomes.org)

## Melissa's Corner

As this year quickly comes to an end, I would like to express my gratitude for your continued support. Thank you to our staff for working so hard to keep our residents safe and healthy! As with many organizations, the past three years have been challenging. Our overtime expenses continue to increase from staff shortages and sick leave, causing a strain on our operating budget, which is comprised of 85% government funding, with fundraising needed for the remaining 15%. Together, we can continue to maintain excellent care for our residents. Wishing you and your family a warm holiday season.

*—Melissa Wendoll, President, Board of Directors*



## Make a Big Impact

You can be an essential part of Agape Christian Homes' future by including a charitable gift within your overall estate and financial plans. The following bequest language can be shared with your estate planning attorney to assist him/her in drafting a will/trust or other estate planning document. If you already have a will or trust please consider adding a codicil or trust amendment that adds a bequest to Agape Christian Homes.

**I, INSERT NAME give INSERT DOLLAR AMOUNT, PERCENTAGE OF RESIDUE OF ESTATE, OR DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY to Agape Christian Homes, a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization Tax ID 33-0321440, 3748 Senasac Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90808 to be used for INSERT "UNRESTRICTED OPERATING SUPPORT". For more information contact [fnorman.agape@yahoo.com](mailto:fnorman.agape@yahoo.com).**

If circumstances arise in the future that make the purpose of the gift impossible, impractical, or obsolete, then I allow the Board of Directors of Agape Christian Homes permission to authorize the reallocation of the gift to a purpose as near as possible to the intent of the original bequest.



Tony G. has been a resident since 1999. Tony is employed at ARC. He loves to draw and vintage telephones. He is very

good at keeping track of the calendar, his schedule, and Agape's schedule too.



Leonard P. has been a resident since 2000. Leonard loves Marvel movies, and his favorite character is Iron Man. He enjoys coloring,

laughing and spending time with his longtime girlfriend, Amber. Leonard is employed at ARC.



James M. has been a resident since 2002. James is affectionately called cowboy. He is an avid sports fan, a history buff, loves the news, current events, and

spending time with his sweetheart, Maureen. James is employed at Marshalls as a stock associate.



Mark D. has been a resident since 2004. Mark works at ARC in the workshop. For many years, he had a business performing yard work

throughout the neighborhood. He loves to play the piano, skiing, his yearly trip to Alaska to visit his brother, and spending time with his family.



**Happy Holidays from  
Agape Christian Homes!**



Thomas W. has been a resident since 2011. He loves sports, sports magazines, meeting new people, and social activities with his friends.

Thomas is a sharp dresser and is employed at ARC.



Amber N. has been a resident since 2019. Amber is a thriving artist with sold work. She loves Disney movies, fashion, and

spending time with her longtime boyfriend, Leonard. Amber works at ARC three days per week and two days per week at Able Arts.



Maureen R. has been a resident since 2020. She loves all types of music, always has her radio on, and likes to watch musical

performances. She is also a good dancer. Maureen is extremely helpful and very kind. She attends SVS Day Program.



Marvin C. recently joined the Agape family in early December 2022. He is a musician in a jazz/gospel band and a proud member of his

Baptist Church. Marvin is extremely polite. He is a foodie and loves to cook. He works at ARC as a receptionist.