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Quarterly Issues Program List

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The following is a listing of some of the significant issues responded to WKIW, IRONWOOD, MI, along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period of 1 January to 31 March. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance. All times are Pacific.

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Issue	Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description of Program
Family	Closer Look	1/3/21	7:00pm	30min	<p>Better Dads Have A Plan</p> <p>"We know in business, we know in work that you have goals you have you have to meet: well what's your fathering plan?" Our Bob Dittman talks with Dr. Ken Canfield of the National Center for Fathering about learning how to be good dad. "We're creating this sense of destiny for our lives that will be played out over and over."</p> <p>Related Links: National Center for Fathering Dr. Ken Canfield (bio)</p>
Abuse	Local Closer Look	1/3/21	7:30pm	20min	<p>Domestic and Sexual abuse comes in many forms, whether it's physical, mental, emotional, financial, and even spiritual abuse, it all comes down to someone exerting power or manipulation over someone else. Usually the clients are women and often they will stay in the abuse because they don't see a way out, or out of fear, but Dove INC. is there with many resources and assistance to help people exit their situation and find a new life free of violence. Often there are children involved and they, too need assistance. Dove INC. has a 24-hour crisis line and 24-hour assistance.</p>
Healthcare	Closer Look	1/10/21	7:00pm	22min	<p>Dr. Mimi Secor Prescribes P.A.N.D.E.M.I.C. Weight-Loss and Self-Care</p> <p>Dr. Mimi Secor didn't get truly serious about her own weight-management and overall health until her early 60's. Building on her personal success and with a nod to current events, she offers advice cleverly corresponding with each of the letters of the word "pandemic."</p> <p>Our Marya Morgan talks with Dr. Mimi about what she calls the '8 pillars of health.'</p> <p>P.lanning/Preparing A.ccountability N.ighttime D.iet E.xercise M.indset I.nspiration/Intimacy C.oritsol</p> <p>RELATED LINKS: HealthConfidenceSuccess.com</p>

Education	Closer Look	1/17/21	7:00pm	29min	<p>SCHOOL-AT-HOME: Advice for Distance Learning, Homeschooling</p> <p>Socially distanced schooling in the age of COVID-19 has been bumpy for parents who feel inadequate as teachers. For some families, the shutdown drove disillusionment with public school curriculum, prompting a leap to homeschooling. Whether you homeschool or embrace distance learning, experts insist that school-at-home can indeed work for you. Our Billie Branham reports.</p> <p>Guests: "Keeping it simple" is key says Arlene Pellicane, mom, author and host of Accessmore podcast A Happy Home. "Master the basics. Just focus on like two things that would help this distance learning thing work."</p> <p>As homeschoolers, parents take full responsibility for what their children learn, a method mentor and coach Kayla Weller finds effective, flexible and fun. "You can teach them what they're interested in and there's no set rules for how to teach," and "you would be surprised how much kids absorb when you take the time work with them."</p>
Animal Therapy	Closer Look	1/24/21	7:00pm	16min	<p>Tails Wag for People In Need: Canines For Christ</p> <p>Dogs have a special place in our hearts. Animals classified as canines (K9s) have rightfully earned the title 'man's best friend' through centuries of companionship, comfort and unmatched service to humanity. Even people who prefer cats have to admit, dogs are pretty special. "Most of us know, people that pet dogs, the dog provides comfort, they get happy when they do -- and so we wanna make people happy," says Chaplain Ron Leonard with for Canines for Christ. Dogs who sign up with Canines for Christ take car rides with their families to visit sick people in cancer wards, lonely people in nursing homes, stressed people in police stations, forgotten people in prisons and anywhere else tails need to wag. "Our dogs have been able to break through depression to assure people that God really does love them and care for them," which Leonard says lifts people to better health physically, emotionally and spiritually.</p>

Animal Rescue	Closer Look	1/24/20	7:16pm	14min	<p>Dog Is Their Co-Pilot: Pittsburgh Aviation Animal Rescue (PAART)</p> <p>Co-pilots Jon Plesset and Brad Childs fly single-engine planes based out of Pittsburgh, PA. Their passengers never complain about leg room, and with four-legs each, they would likely have a lot to say. Instead, these travelers typically wag their tails and offer up grateful licks for landing a one-way flight for life. The co-founders of Pittsburgh Aviation Animal Rescue Team (PAART) didn't set out to use their 1974 Piper Warrior to relocate dogs from overcrowded shelters, but one phone call back in 2009 changed the game. "Our first thought was, 'why would you fly an animal in your airplane?," admits Plesset but "when we learned this animal was gonna be euthanized if it didn't get a ride to Philadelphia, we knew right away this was something we could be passionate about." Plesset and Childs adopted the motto, "No Dog Left Behind," and combining their love of flying with their love of animals they created a non-profit network of shelters and pilots. PAART mostly serves states in the eastern U.S. and Midwest but has big dreams for nationwide expansion. Costs are covered solely by donations and sponsorships and until they can afford a bigger plane, flights are limited to 250nm (nautical miles).</p>
Healthcare	Closer Look	1/31/21	7:00pm	28min	<p>'Rest' Is More Than Sleep – What Kind of Tired Are You? Rest is the root of the word 'restoration' – and restoration is a principle that medical internist Dr. Saundra Dalton-Smith sees as crucial to seven distinct areas of your life. "Rest isn't just the cessation of activity," she says, suggesting that for optimal health "you have to get to the point of knowing what restores you. What fills you back up?" 7 types of Rest: Physical, Mental, Emotional, Spiritual, Social, Sensory and Creative.</p> <p>Related Links: Dr. Saundra Dalton-Smith - REST QUIZ - What Kind of Rest Do You Need?</p>

Faith	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 9.36min	<p>His Challenge: Answering Kids' Tough Questions Like "Who Made God?"</p> <p>"If God made us...who made God?" That's one example of the many questions Dr. Kevin Jones has been tasked with answering. The questions come from kids and the response needs to be age-appropriate for children in elementary school. The kids' curiosity about faith is part of a three-year video mission for LifeWay's "The Gospel Project," a curriculum used by many churches and Christian schools. Dr. Jones comes well qualified. He's dean and assistant professor of education at Cedarville University and also has a background in elementary education. Filming for the 108 videos is taking place at the university's Ohio campus. Dr. Jones tells us he is very deliberate about his approach to responding to a kid's question. "What does the Bible say about this question? Because the Bible is our final authority, right? Because what the kid doesn't need is my thoughts." When we asked him about children asking pretty bold and direct questions, Dr. Jones smiled and said, "Yes, that's the beauty!" He believes kids usually have a "heart posture...of pureness and sincerity" when they ask honest questions.</p>
Ministry	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 14.00min	<p>Luke Barnett Survives An 8,000-Pound Boulder Hit - And God Blesses His Mission</p> <p>In late October, Pastor Luke Barnett was on an 800-mile hike along the Arizona Trail with his daughter, Annalee. They were on the long trek to raise awareness and funding for a Dream Center project in Colorado City, once home to an infamous polygamous leader. Just past 500 miles into the hike, Luke and Annalee climbed down at a tricky point on the trail and saw a boulder start to move! Luke immediately went into dad mode and pushed his daughter out of the way, "thinking I could get out of the way as well, but it caught me." The boulder, estimated to weigh 8,000 pounds, "rolled me for about 15, 20 feet [headfirst]," but then, "it teetered upon a rock, somehow miraculously, so my daughter could pull me out." "I broke my femur, I broke my hip, I broke my forearm, three ribs and lots of stitches and bandages along the way." Incredibly, the boulder onslaught did not derail the Barnetts' mission. All the media attention to the close brush with death led to massive interest in the Short Creek Dream Center and saw \$2,000,000 raised...instead of the hoped for \$1,000,000! At this point in our story, it would seem reasonable to point to this particular Bible verse: "And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them." (Romans 8:28 NLT)</p>

Military	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 7.38min	Mission to Encourage Kids In Military Families – And To Guide Them To Jesus It's no secret that military service involves sacrifice and adaptability. In times of war, soldiers know they may even be required to make the ultimate sacrifice. At another level, military families face situations most other families don't. For example, the majority of military families move every two-to-three years. For children, this could mean moving up to six times by the formative age of 12! That's a lot of change: new schools, making new friends, losing old friends, and learning how a new unknown community works. To come alongside the millions of children whose parent (or parents) serve, the American Bible Society's specialized branch, Armed Services Ministry, has launched "Hero Squad."
Food Insecurity	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 19.16min	"The Kindness Kitchen" – God's People Touching Lives And Hearts During The Pandemic After the COVID-19 restrictions and related economic downturn hit in early 2020, the leadership at Journey Bible Church in Olathe, Kansas, knew God wanted them to help the community. But how? "There were families that were quarantining and families that were going through hardship, losing jobs temporarily, and now we know – permanently – for a lot of them," explains Community Impact Pastor Brandon Champagne. Realizing the church possessed a commercial grade kitchen, professional Chef Greg Reynolds teamed with church staff to launch what would become the "The Kindness Kitchen." To date, more than 9,000 free meals have been provided; many to single moms, those in need, and frontline workers, but also to those who just needed some encouragement. In one case, they were able to bless a single mom and her 12 children!
Ministry	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 25.50min	Texas Church Opens Campuses Behind Prison Walls One Texas church is sharing the Gospel and building community behind prison walls. Pastor Stephen Wilson, Gateway Prison Campuses Pastor, was actually an ex-offender himself. "It's been an amazing walk and as I look back and see where God has brought me and how He's used my mess to be a message to others. Pastor Stephen actually started his ministry trying to reach guys while he was still incarcerated. Since then, Pastor Stephen and his wife have started their own prison outreach ministry and eventually partnered with Gateway Church in Texas. The Gateway Church Coffield Prison Campus, with more than 4,000 inmates, launched their first services at the end of 2018 with more than 300 men in attendance. They've seen hundreds of men accept Christ. Since then, they've launched three other prison campus churches.

Service Dogs	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 2.01min	High School Students Train Service Dogs To Save Lives Cuddly, adorable puppies are invading a high school in Texas. They're a cute diversion from the routine of a normal school day but it's also serving a vital purpose. The pups are being trained at Wimberley High to become diabetic alert dogs. Tiffany Black is the agriculture science teacher. Black says, "Three of my students are partnered with three puppies. So, it's their responsibility to care for the puppies. They get to take them home. They're responsible for that basic training and socialization. And then they bring those puppies to school and we work with them in our classrooms, continuing those basic techniques." The students take the dogs home, to school and anywhere else they go to expose them to many different situations. Training service dogs is fun but also comes with giant responsibilities.
Service Dogs	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 6.16min	'The Rise & Shine Challenge' - Principal Encourages Teaching Staff with Fun During Pandemic "We always say that we're a school where students want to attend, teachers want to work, and people want to come visit," explains Principal Brian Lile at Muhlenberg South Middle School in Greenville, Kentucky. "We've really looked at how to maintain that school culture that we're used to...and to be honest, during this COVID season, it's hard." Brian knew it was important for the teaching staff to come together, with social distancing, and laugh and have some fun. One way to keep the school spirit in high gear was something the principal designated as The Rise & Shine Challenge. "We've been dealt a bad hand with COVID, like everyone, but we're going to make the best of a bad situation." Five minutes after teachers arrive at 8:00 a.m., a message blares on the school intercom: "It's now time for a Rise & Shine Challenge! Make your way down to the commons and let's have some fun." Teachers take part in a wide variety of games like Let's Make a Deal, Deal or No Deal, and Press Your Luck. The staff has also enjoyed Name That Song. Winners get some nice perks, like leaving work 30 minutes early. But Brian shares, "Not all of our prizes are good prizes...they may win an autographed picture of me, the principal, or an autographed picture of our superintendent or assistant principal," he smiles.

Food Insecurity	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 9.49min	Eye-Catching Community Fridges Making A Big Difference People in many geographic areas reside in what are termed food deserts. "Food deserts are areas throughout the country that have less access to a grocery store ... or, if they do have a grocery store, supermarket next by, they're not providing fresh vegetation for the community," explains Fania Celestin, the Director of Development for the Buddy System Community Fridge Initiative in Miami-Dade County, Florida. As the non-profit explains, "According to the United States Census Bureau, more than one in six South Florida households are currently struggling with food insecurity ... A community fridge is a refrigerator located in a public space that enables food to be shared amongst the community. Anyone can put food in and take food out! The aim is to reduce food waste and support people facing hardships by providing access to healthy, nutritious food."
Military	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	January – March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 9.49min	"P.S. Thank You" – After 17 Years, Army Vet Catches Up with Kids Who Encouraged Him with Letters Sent to Iraq It was 2003. Nearly 200,000 American troops were in Iraq. This resulted in the removal of dictator Saddam Hussein and led to an extended deployment of allied forces in the region. Among those was West Virginia soldier Mark Bland. At the time, many school children were urged to write letters of encouragement to soldiers they knew and even those they didn't. Ways were arranged to get the letters and packages to the troops. Mark recalls, "We were getting care packages and troop fan mail from all over the country and these would be from kids in second grade to full-grown adults just saying, 'Hey we're praying for you guys, we're thinking about you...We'd love to pray for you...You guys are our heroes, what do you do over there? How's the sandstorms?'" Fast-forward 17 years, Mark admits he never had the time to sit down and go through all the letters he had saved. One day recently, Mark was thanking his wife, Hannah, for all the letters she had mailed him in Iraq – more than 300 letters - when she was still his girlfriend. They looked at her letters and then the letters from all the school kids. "And I said, you know what would be a really cool project, to be able to use social media and try to find some of these kids and show them their letter and really just say 'thank you' for thinking of me back in 2003." And that's exactly what Mark is doing today at his Facebook blog site, P.S. Thank You. So far, Mark has been able to connect with 15 students, who are full-grown adults now, as well as some of the teachers who helped organized the letter-writing efforts.

Veterans	Closer Look	2/7/21	7:00pm	17min	<p>Post-Traumatic Stress Foundation 24/7 Veterans Crisis Line for you or a loved one: Call 800-273-8255, then select 1. Start a confidential chat. or Text 838255. If you have hearing loss, call TTY: 800-799-4889. PTSD Foundation of America works to free veterans of debilitating anguish that can lead to a breakdown in mental health. Our Bob Dittman talks with Ryan Rogers about healing from the 'moral injury' of combat. Peer-to-peer Warrior Groups are available in cities nationwide.</p>
Veterans	Closer Look	2/7/21	7:17pm	13min	<p>Arts & Crafts Ease PTSD In Veterans Another, somewhat unique, outreach to injured vets utilizes leather, beads, paint and glue: since 1971, Help Heal Vets has distributed more than 30-million arts and crafts kits – model cars, leather work, jewelry, needlepoint, clock-making – provided to veterans free of charge. But does art therapy work? “Yes,” assures CEO Captain Joe McClain. "Got its start in WWI and has been used by clinicians in every conflict throughout." Our Bob Dittman reports.</p>
Mental Health	Closer Look	2/14/21	7:00pm	28in	<p>Help for Kids Suffering Sadness, Anxiety in Pandemic The digital age exposes modern kids to bad news and bitter opinions their parents never knew. “Social media, media, news, political unrest, all these things that once kids were mostly sheltered from – now they’re seeing them 24 hours a day,” notes Julie Lowe, licensed counselor and author of Childproof and Building Bridges: Biblical Counseling for Children and Teens. The barrage of mystifying information crowds into their minds alongside the other considerable pressures of growing up. This overload can drive kids into dangerous states of anxiety or depression. Suicides among young children have been steadily rising the last decade. The COVID19 pandemic made a dire situation even worse.</p>
Mental Health	Closer Look	2/21/21	7:00pm	13min	<p>'Tell Me More' - 3 Words to Prevent Teen Suicide Crushing loneliness and lack of purpose has seized millions of young adults, causing a frightening spike in teen suicides. Mental health experts urge parents, teachers and pastors to turn the tide of dark thoughts with these three little words: “Tell me more.” Monika Kelly gets advice from Maureen Underwood with the Society for the Prevention of Teen Suicide who also serves as a social worker and psychotherapist. Girls are more likely to attempt to take their own lives. Boys are more likely to succeed. Triggers include bullying, loss of a parent due to death or divorce, family history of depression or becoming convinced that no one in the world knows or understands them.</p>

Faith	Closer Look	2/21/21	7:13pm	16min	<p>'Call-In' Bible Studies Connect to Faith and Friendship</p> <p>When COVID-19 forced churches to close and halted even small social gatherings, Christians continued to crave interaction with fellow believers. Soldiers For Faith Ministries launched 'call-in' bible studies back in 2012, but stay-at-home orders in 2020 crystalized the ministry purpose and mission. "When the pandemic hit," says founder Kelly McAndrew, "all of a sudden we understood what God had prepared us for." Headquartered in Texas, with facilitators in New Jersey, Florida and Colorado, all Soldiers For Faith bible studies are by-phone only. They deliberately avoid video. "There's something about just picking up the telephone, not having that judgement," explains McAndrew. "It's just absolutely pure to be on the phone, to hear people's voices, to hear their hearts." While the pandemic forced millions into unexpected solitude, McAndrew points to the millions of people with health limitations or disabilities who live that kind of isolation every day. Soldiers For Faith currently has about 25 ongoing studies, running one hour in length, all days of the week, early morning to night. The ministry is always looking for new group leaders to add more study options.</p>
Finances	Closer Look	2/28/21	7:00pm	29min	<p>Families Living on One-Income, Possible?</p> <p>Families with two working parents sometimes wonder – could we make it if one of us lost our job? "We live in a culture that I would call a 'two-income world,'" says budgeting expert Mary Hunt. She readily admits the challenges of living on one income. "But here's the good news – yes! yes you can do this." Once a family has decided to test the waters of change, Hunt recommends a 7-Day Cash Diet for everyday expenses like gas and groceries. Buying in cash for a while "is the best way to pull in the reigns to manage your money in a reasoned way." The next step is adding up what that second income is actually costing you. Expenses like gas to get to the job, daycare for the kids even the fast food you buy because you are too tired to cook – every dollar associated with working must be subtracted from the net pay. "What is the 'real hourly wage' of that second income?" Hunt says people are often shocked that their second income boils down to actually just \$1 or \$2 an hour and may be pushing them into a higher tax bracket. But can a family live – and happy and healthy on what seems to be less money per month? Hunt firmly believes they can. "You can't do this overnight," she cautions, as "sometimes parents need to go through a whole process of deciding who is going to be the one who gives up the formal income and how to make that one income stretch twice as far." Then you may have to get out of debt to pave the way, "which means you have to stop using the credit cards." And finally, she says, resist peer pressure to live beyond your means.</p>

Animal Safety	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	February 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 13.19min	<p>"No Dog Left Behind" - Pilot Committed To Save Animals' Lives</p> <p>Co-pilots Jon Plesset and his good friend, Brad Childs, fly single-engine planes based out of Pittsburgh, PA. Their passengers? Dogs. These four-legged friends are rescue dogs and Jon and Brad are helping them to find forever homes. Jon Plesset of Pittsburgh Aviation Animal Rescue Team (PAART) didn't set out to use his 1974 Piper Warrior to relocate dogs from overcrowded shelters, but one phone call back in 2009 changed his mind. "Our first thought was, 'why would you fly an animal in your airplane?,' but when we learned this animal was gonna be euthanized if it didn't get a ride to Philadelphia, we knew right away this was something we could be passionate about." Plesset and Childs adopted the motto, "No Dog Left Behind," and combining their love of flying with their love of animals they created a non-profit network of shelters and pilots. PAART mostly serves states in the eastern U.S. and Midwest but has big dreams for nationwide expansion.</p>
Animal Safety	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	February 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 8.35min	<p>Matthew West Encourages Families Fighting Cancer</p> <p>Matthew West is a super successful Christian music artist who lends his talent and support to select ministries and projects that help others. And when a song he has written and performed can be of benefit to an outreach helping others, Matthew is often willing to come alongside and lend his name and talent to their project. That's the case with a ministry called Cancer Companions. When it comes to the anxiety that often accompanies a cancer diagnosis, Matthew looks at it this way: "I really think it does revolve around that word uncertainty. The unknown. A cancer diagnosis means you're about to walk a road. It's a road you've never walked before and you don't know how long that road is going to take you. You don't know what's on the other side of it, so my heart goes out to anybody who's dealing with a cancer diagnosis," Matthew speaks from his heart.</p>

Healthcare	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	February – March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 11.59min	<p>ICU Nursing Supervisor Prays for COVID Patients, Comforts Those Passing</p> <p>With nearly 25 years' experience as a nurse, and currently an ICU supervisor, Leilani McGuire recalls one COVID-19 patient, in particular, who touched her heart. "He was so afraid. And I knew that he wasn't doing well and he looked at me with so much fear in his eyes and he just kept asking me, 'Please tell me...am I going to live or am I going to die? And at that point, I just took his hand and I knew that we were about to intubate him...once you get intubated, your survival rate was probably 10-to-20%...a really poor chance of making it through that." Leilani's response was honest and bold. "I took his hands and I looked him in the eye with all my gear on – I know all he could see was my eyes – so to be able to express what I was going to say meant so much at that point to calm him down...and I just said to him 'I don't know if you're going to die. I can't promise you anything, but I know that we're going to take great care of you, and I know that Jesus is here with you in this room right now.'" Leilani then led him through a salvation prayer. That patient passed away two weeks later. Leilani realizes that ICU patients are often sedated or in a medically-induced coma, "but I know that their spirit is still there and I just begin speaking to their spirit and whatever God has on my heart to speak to them at that moment, I say it to them. I do that quite often."</p> <p>How can people encourage healthcare workers? Leilani says nurses and other medical professionals were referred to as "heroes" when the pandemic first began, but in the media and culture, that has faded some. So, "When you see them, thank them and let them know that you still remember...and the sacrifices that they've made mean something." Nurses on the front lines, "They have a loss of hope, watching patients die constantly, they need our prayers."</p>
Law Enforcement – Employment	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	February 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 14.59min	<p>Mississippi Prison Industries CEO Bradley Lum Says It's All About Hope</p> <p>Bradley Lum, CEO of the Mississippi Prison Industries Corporation, says he saw the position as an opportunity to "be on the front end of the good things that are happening upon re-entry" for people who've been incarcerated. Bradley is excited about criminal justice reform and adequate rehabilitation while behind bars and says there are many roadblocks to success after leaving prison, including things like having a driver's license and a social security card. The Mississippi Prison Industries Corporation is, at its core, a job training organization dedicated to putting people in a position to learn a skill or a trade while incarcerated. Once the person is released, the staff helps the individual find a long-lasting career.</p>

<p>Education - Charity</p>	<p>KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast</p>	<p>February 2021</p>	<p>4 per wk, 16 total</p>	<p>60sec Podcast 15.52min</p>	<p>Jonathan Chambers Builds Handmade Desks for Kids Doing School from Home When the pandemic closed school, Jonathan Chambers encouraged students who were learning from home. He built them kid-size desks... for free! "I felt God kind of led me, you know, on the whole thing." Inspired by God and driven by compassion, Chambers, owner of Gateway Construction & Development, wanted to "give these kids something that they can create their own space to do some learning." He had heard of young students curling into closets and other areas to try and find a quiet and productive place to do their schoolwork at home. And Jonathan realized an appropriate size desk could make a big difference. He had the skills – and just asked for enough wood to eventually build 110 desks for kids in Pontiac, Michigan. Seeing how the community pitched in with donations, how God guided the project, and how children reacted, Jonathan shares, "It's been a really amazing journey for me, personally."</p>
<p>Elderly Issues</p>	<p>KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast</p>	<p>February 2021</p>	<p>4 per wk, 16 total</p>	<p>60sec Podcast 10.39min</p>	<p>People with Dementia Recognize Hymns, Gospel Music - Meet The Man Behind The Project In the final months of his father's life at a nursing home, Gerald Wolfe noticed something very noteworthy when visiting the facility. A woman in the activity room held a guitar and was starting to sing "In the Sweet By and By." At first, Gerald says, "I kind of felt sorry for her because the audience (of nursing home residents) was disengaged. But, by the time she got to the chorus, they were trying to sing along! And it reminded me of how special the old hymns are to our senior adults." Because Gerald had been involved in Gospel Music Hymn Sings at a number of churches, he had access to complete DVDs recorded live at church settings. So to test the waters, he began shipping free-of-charge DVDs to nursing homes, and the response was "just overwhelming," smiles Gerald. "The cards, the notes, and the emails from these folks who are so often forgotten about." He reveals that especially during the COVID crisis, where visits from family have been restricted, the music DVDs have been a definite blessing, a lifeline to God. To date, through Operation Sing Again, the ministry has sent DVDs to nearly 16,000 care facilities around the nation. Gerald points out that only two nursing homes have declined the offer. Worth noting, Gerald tells us, even some nursing homes that offer services primarily to people of the Jewish faith, have been receptive.</p>

Disaster Relief	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	February 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 10.01min	<p>Christian Water Experts Helping Texans with "Plumbing Disaster"</p> <p>When the intense winter storm overtook Texas and bordering states on Valentine's Day weekend, millions of people lost power. Perhaps even worse, pipes burst in homes and businesses, and city waterworks were marginalized. At least a million residents are still under orders to boil water to make it safe to drink. Prisoners in many county jails couldn't boil water, so they risk drinking water directly from the tap. And toilets can't be flushed, so that's a huge issue in jails and many homes. Water Mission, a Christian engineering organization, has extensive experience in identifying and solving drinking water issues overseas. They help with disaster relief, like after earthquakes and hurricanes, and also operate community development projects. So now, in an unusual geographical switch for Water Mission, the non-profit is organizing efforts to help Texas residents. The group happens to have key staff members who reside in the Austin area, and Water Mission is cooperating with the Austin Disaster Response Network and Plumbers Without Borders to bring people badly-needed professional help.</p>
Sports	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	February – March	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 2.13min	<p>Pandemic Relief: Engaging Youth Through Sports</p> <p>Kevin Drake works hard to provide a safe place for youngsters to get outside again by connecting them to sports leagues and activities, like basketball, football, and cheerleading. They learn teamwork and build life-long friendships in a safe, Christian atmosphere through the national organization, Upward Sports. Drake works with churches through the national organization Upward Sports. The organization has impacted more than 7 million kids over the last 25 years. His focus these days is on rebuilding relationships. Drake says things have changed in how they operate since the pandemic. But assures players and families it is safe to participate.</p>

Domestic Abuse	Closer Look	3/7/21	7:00pm	29min	<p>Quarantine Drives Spike in Domestic Abuse</p> <p>Physical bruises are only small part of what some women and men suffer, says Annette Oltmans of The MEND Project, which brings awareness to what she calls 'covert emotional abuse.' "Victims begin questioning reality and their own sanity," she explains, herself a survivor of domestic abuse – and a Christian – who knows firsthand what's it like to 'live it.' Pastor Paul Cole, president of the Christian Men's Network, has been deeply concerned by the quarantine effect on families already stuffed in a pressure cooker of unhealthy reactions. "A lot of times, we as men act out of anger, rage, disappointment – and we lash out at people," he says, and urges men in this trap to reach out for help.</p> <p>RELATED LINKS: The National Domestic Abuse Hotline 1-800-799-7233 https://www.thehotline.org/ The MEND Project - Educate. Equip. Restore Christian Men's Network Advice for Men: New Surge of Domestic Violence and How to Stop it – by Pastor Paul Cole</p>
Healthcare	PSA	3/11/21 – 3/24/21	112 spots, 8 times each day	15sec	<p>Mission: to advance community health across the Gogebic Range. We accomplish this through promoting healthy living with grant making, partnering with local organizations and agencies to create a healthy and active community, investing in community projects that have a positive influence on the health of the Gogebic Range community.</p>
Addiction	Closer Look	3/14/21	7:00pm	28min	<p>Vaping Often Fails as Alternative to Smoking</p> <p>Vaping is marketed as a safe alternative to traditional cigarettes, but 'dual use' plus dramatic surge in teen addiction and recent links to lung disease send most e-cig claims up in smoke. K-LOVE's Billie Branham talks with Linda Richter of the Center on Addiction and Dr. Michael Blaha, cardiovascular research director at Johns Hopkins Hospital.</p> <p>RELATED LINKS: 10 Surprising Facts About E-Cigarettes (Center on Addiction) Outbreak of Lung Injury Associated with the Use of E-Cigarette, or Vaping, Products (Centers for Disease Control) "5 Vaping Facts You Need to Know," by Dr. Michael Blaha M.D., M.D.H. Linda Richter, Dir. of the Policy of Research and Analysis for the Center on Addiction (bio) "Can vaping damage your lungs? What we do (and don't) know," Harvard Health</p>

Healthcare	PSA	3/17/21 – 3/30/21	112 spots, 8 times each day	15sec	We support families who have a child that has been diagnosed with cancer in Northeastern Wisconsin and Upper Peninsula of Michigan. FOCWC helps with utilities, groceries and other family expenses to help ease the financial burden during treatment so that parents can concentrate on their sick child and their other children. Financial resources also support scholarships, cancer-related camp tuition, bravery beads, memorials, and social events to help connect families that have walked similar journeys. www.focwc.org
Parenting	Closer Look	3/21/21	7:00pm	30min	'Solo' Parent Society Hosts Free Online Support Groups After 13 years of marriage, Robert Beeson suddenly found himself single. "My wife left me -- and left me with our three daughters who were 9, 7 and 4 at the time. It was the darkest season." Grappling with this new solo responsibility, the divorced dad turned to his church for comfort and support. He was saddened to find very few Christian resources address the deep loneliness and doubt that many single parents endure. Out of his own need to be part of a welcoming faith community, Beeson founded the Solo Parent Society.
Human Trafficking	Closer Look	3/28/21	7:00pm	14min	'Without Permission' Educates Parents and Police On Human Trafficking Your teen meets a nice stranger at the mall. Or a guy she doesn't know likes all her posts on Instagram. What begins as flattery and flirtation has led thousands of kids – kids just like yours – down the dark and demeaning path to human trafficking. Groups like Without Permission urge parents to warn their teens about the tricks child predators use to trap victims. Related Links: Without Permission provides a free guide for families to become aware of dangers and to be safe 'digital citizens.'
Family Issues	Closer Look	3/28/21	7:14pm	16min	Special Needs Families Get 'Buddy Breaks' With Nathaniel's Hope Special Needs families frequently suffer isolation. Nathaniel's Hope trains churches to provide respite care. Volunteers learn to do crafts and play games with the children for 3-hour blocks of time. "There's no better cup of cold water you can give to a family impacted by disability than a break," says NH and Buddy Break co-founder Marie Kuck. It starts, she says, with having a willing heart. "Tear down those walls and build friendships." RELATED LINKS: Nathaniel's Hope - Buddy Breaks Nathaniel's Hope - VIP Birthday Club

Healthcare	Local Closer Look	3/28/21	7:30pm	20min	Janal Emmer, President of Families of Children with Cancer. There's an understanding between parents who have journeyed through cancer with one of their children and so many ways family and friends can come alongside and lighten the load. With 300 members and roughly 30 new families each year, the organization is helping the hurting ones with gifts, events, encouragement and friendship. www.focwc.org
Education – Childhood Issues	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 1.33min	8-Year-Old Brings Buddy Benches to Her Elementary School And 150 Other Locations Sammie Vance was just eight when she heard about the Buddy Bench and vacation Bible school. She brought the idea to her mom, Heidi, and her elementary school principal. If a child sits on a Buddy Bench, it's a signal to others that they want someone to play with. Sammie knows what it's like to be lonely or shy. Following the meeting, Sammie and her mom discovered a new bench would cost \$900. The project was too expensive to pull off until it was discovered a local company could make the bench out of recycled materials for a quarter of the cost. Sammie started collection of plastic bottle caps and lids. These materials would go into making new Buddy Benches. Sammie is now 12. She has helped install three benches at her school and 150 benches across the country. And has a book coming out in the fall.
Church – Space Exploration	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 7.00min	Pastor's Lunar Project Keeps Congregation 'Looking Up' Despite Pandemic As a way to add some happy distraction to an otherwise low point during the COVID pandemic, Pastor Jody Skogen got members of Oasis Church thinking about something higher - the moon and, of course, God. "We are just a really young church, a church plant. We're just five months old and we're always looking for ways that we can engage with people, connect with people, build community – and we became aware of a YouTube influencer who had purchased space on a NASA rover that's going to the moon." He offered fans an opportunity to send him a picture or video that would be placed in a digital time capsule that will be on that rover. "And so we thought, 'You know what, let's do that. Let's build some memories here. Let's do something fun and creative – particularly when physical distancing is such a challenge.' We thought, 'Let's get together. Let's do a Zoom call and let's take a picture together... and send that image to the moon!'"

Mental Health	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 26.57min	<p>Mental Health Situations: Detective Pitches Positive Policing Idea</p> <p>A Skagit County, Washington, Sheriff's detective has a heart to change the way some policing is done. Detective Anne Weed got together with mental health professionals to try change the way they respond to certain 9-1-1 calls... to prevent a situation from escalating. With the blessing of the sheriff's office and help from Marla Johns from Compass Health they formed the IMPACT program, partnering deputies with mental health professionals when answering distress calls. Marla Johns from Compass Health says IMPACT goes beyond assisting individuals in crisis. "The relief that comes over that family's face and just knowing that, okay, were making the next step, we're going to get somewhere. It's a pretty amazing feeling." She says that in her 25 years of work, IMPACT is the most important thing she's done, by far. Their goal is to offer hope - and help the person out of a crisis.</p>
Ministry	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 7.55min	<p>Horses Can Help Humans Understand God's Guidance</p> <p>At his SBH horse stable business near rural Grove, Oklahoma, former Pastor Steven Dyer is very active on YouTube. Video topics include "Wild Mustang Challenge" and "Teaching a Pony to Not be Afraid." With deep experience and plenty of patience, Steve demonstrates various ways to befriend and train a horse. But as he works with horses, he is constantly reminded of God. "The more I'm around horses, I see the beauty of how they are created and how we interact with them. And one of my little personal theories is that I believe God created the horse just for us to ride. They are perfectly suited, as no other animal is in creation, to carry us from place to place," he marvels. Because of that, some of his YouTube videos are in a series called "Sermon by Horse." One teaching is called "Boundaries: This mustang needs boundaries, even if he doesn't want them. So do we."</p>

Law Enforcement - Employment	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 10.33min	<p>Pardoned Twice, Robert Sherrill Makes A Difference in Nashville</p> <p>After Robert Sherill's mother and stepdad got a divorce, Robert found himself living in what was known locally as the "Dodge City" public housing project in Nashville. "It was there that my mom got addicted to drugs... and it was hard growing up. You know, we didn't have a lot of food in the refrigerator... going to school, not really having a lot of things, being talked about...that was kind of my day-to-day." But then, things got even worse. After school one day, Robert saw "all of our stuff was setting on the side of the road [evicted]. And it was in that moment that things kind of changed for me as a little boy and I kind of turned into a man." Robert found that selling drugs provided money. Gang membership also gave him some meaning, or so he thought. "I wanted to be successful by all means, whether it was the right way or the wrong way." In time, things caught up with him and he served five years in prison. "My dad died in prison when I was 16. And so that reality, coupled with me being a father and a husband at the time, I knew I didn't want my legacy to be that of my father." So in prison, Robert "crafted a plan and strategy so that when I was released, I could be successful." And he meant by legal, entrepreneurial means. And that is exactly where Robert is today. "I'm the CEO of Imperial Cleaning Systems," with nearly two dozen employees and very successful. He has other successful ventures going, too. Robert also created a non-profit called Impact Youth Outreach, a youth development and mentoring program focused on at-risk youth in urban communities.</p>
Employment	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 14.42min	<p>If You've Lost A Job, Dale Kreienkamp Offers Biblical & Practical Guidance</p> <p>Dale Kreienkamp has a heart for people who are out-of-work and for those who are underemployed. His professional and ministry mission has led him to help others out of this crisis and find hope. "I twice went through a journey of being unemployed, and it was that journey that led me to the place where I am today, that is, how do I give back and help others who are going through that journey of unemployment." He says losing a job gives us a chance to pause and think through what our next steps should be; to think where you can best to use your skills, your gifts and abilities in a way you get joy out of your next new job. And trusting God through this process is key. "You'll find the next opportunity, it's just a matter of when. And know that as you go through this process, God's never going to leave you, He's never going to forsake you, He promised to always be with us. But He is going to stretch you. He's going to grow you from this."</p>

Faith - Sports	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 11.38min	<p>Former WNBA Player Chantelle Anderson Shares Faith, Builds Teamwork</p> <p>Chantelle Anderson is very transparent. On her "Confidently His" website she declares: "By the grace of God I am what I am... Quick testimony: For the first 32 years of my life I used the talents God gave me to hurt Him, myself, and others. But when what the world had to offer wasn't enough, I turned to the Bible and accidentally fell in love with the Author. Now my only goal is to use every ounce of who God made me to bring Him glory and help others do the same." Chantelle played 6 years in the WNBA. Her name is in the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame and the Vanderbilt University Athletics Hall of Fame among her many sports accomplishments. She is an ordained minister and thrives when she's sharing faith in Jesus and encouraging others in life, which she does in a number of ways, including speaking appearances and a published devotional.</p>
Faith – Education	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 18.41min	<p>"Sacred Space": Nursing Students Get End-Of-Life Training, Can 'Share Jesus' Before It's Too Late</p> <p>As a nurse and associate professor of nursing at Cedarville University, Dr. Beth Delaney, has witnessed thousands of people taking their last breath. "I've seen some very interesting things" that have convinced her, "I absolutely know that God is real." As Cedarville is a Christian school, Beth explains, "We teach our nurses the importance and understanding of spiritual resources as a patient approaches death. If a patient is interested in becoming a person of faith, we incorporate ways nurses are able to lead someone to Christ." Beth, a veteran frontline nurse, reminds students of the "power that they have to help make a really difficult situation...tolerable." She pleads with students, "that we can love God and love others at the most difficult time" in what she explains is a "sacred space."</p>

Natural Disaster	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 18.52min	<p>The Mitchells Drove 1,200 Miles to Help Texans Recover from A Plumbing Disaster</p> <p>Much of Texas was hit hard by an artic storm system in February that dropped snow and temperatures to single-digit record lows. Many homes were not prepared for the powerful blast of cold. Power went out and pipes with little or no insulation froze and burst. "A double whammy," as longtime plumber Paul Mitchell observes. The situation was massive. Some residents had not experienced an actual bath or shower for two weeks. Through several confirmations, it had become very clear to Paul and his wife, Diane, that God wanted them to head to Texas and help people who didn't have safe drinking water, who couldn't take showers, much less use their own toilets. The Mitchells rounded up equipment and, along with their son, headed from Ohio to Austin, Texas. Thanks to their church, friends, and Cedarville University – where Paul retired from, and his wife works - the Mitchells' project and needs were fully funded so they could get down to business, God's business, helping people in trouble.</p>
Food Insecurity	KLOVE's Positive People News Podcast with on-air 60sec promo for podcast	March 2021	4 per wk, 16 total	60sec Podcast 17.18min	<p>Mom Starts Non-Profit After Students Were Rummaging Cafeteria Trash for Food</p> <p>Lisa Scarpinato had no idea that in her own city hungry children were rummaging through the school trash, looking for food for the weekend. Lisa and her husband Vince had been praying for a way to serve God and the community. One night, a family friend came over for dinner. Their friend, a local school principal, shared the heartbreaking story of witnessing a second grader digging through the school cafeteria trash and storing the discarded food in her pocket. He knew that she was taking it home for her siblings for the weekend. Thousands of school children throughout the Phoenix metro receive federally subsidized meals for breakfast and lunch during the school week, but often go hungry on the weekends. Lisa knew that she had to help. "'Kitchen on the Street' is a faith-based ministry that my husband and I started out of our house in 2006. We started a 501c3 non-profit so that we could feed these students who were food-insecure on weekends," says founder, Lisa Scarpinato. Kitchen on the Street serves more than 2000 children every year in more than 30 different schools. Ten years ago, they expanded the ministry to San Antonio, Texas. "I felt like as a Christian, a human being, a mother...all the things that you are...that if I had an interest in helping these kids, I knew others would as well," Lisa remembers. Kitchen on the Street volunteers pack "bags of hope," weekend nutrition packs filled with non-perishable food items that children can discreetly put in their backpacks on Fridays to bring home for the weekend.</p>