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There follows a list of some of the significant issues responded to by, WRCM- FM, Lumberton, North Carolina, along with significant programming treatment of those issues for the period of April 1- June 30, 2023. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issue appear does not reflect any priority or significance. All time are Pacific Time zones.

Issue	Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description of Program
Family	Closer Look	5/7	7:00 pm Segment 2	30 minutes	Closer Look: Teens Aged Out of Foster Care Get Help From 'Dream Makers' Without family and often lacking life skills, former foster kids become homeless adults by the thousands, turning to drugs and crime on the streets just to survive. "Every statistic you hear that is going bad in the United States, a lot of them link back to the foster care system and those kids just not being taken care of." Dream Makers steps in to link aged-out foster kids with practical assistance by connecting them with the generosity of strangers. "It totally up to the community to fulfill the dream." The young adult with a need fills out an application to ask for things that teens with families could easily get from a mom or dad: like money for work clothes, or a laptop for school, or maybe a used car – but Melton says the most common dream request from these youth by far is – food.
Family	Closer Look	4/2 5/28	7:00 pm Segment 2	30 minutes	Closer Look: Can Play: Iowa Mom Helps Kids with Special Needs Play Sports, Have Fun- Jack suffered six strokes when he was just 8 years old, which left his left him with cognitive delays, partial paralysis and 'limited ability to play.' Can Play gives kids like Jack "a place that they can come, be themselves, learn about their bodies and what their bodies can do." Rafael Sierra reports.
Family	Closer Look	6/18	7:00 pm Segment 2	30 minutes	Closer Look: Faith of Her Father - Baby Jessica's Dad- The unlikely rescue of Baby Jessica from a well back in 1987 remains one of the world's most watched news stories of all time. There were "multiple miracles," says her father Chip McClure, "more than you can count...God's hand was evident." In the days and months after, the family received thousands of calls and truckloads of mail from all over the world, people in personal distress who were encouraged by the McClure's faith and the good news of Jessica's rescue. K-LOVE's Jack Church talks to Chip.
Family	Closer Look	6/25	7:00 pm	30 minutes	Closer Look: Young Girls Pregnant and Scared Turn to StandUpGirl.com Dawn-Marie Perez, executive director of Stand Up Girl.com says their site stands ready to help. "Our mission is to have these girls be able to find life-

					affirming information through us -- and then we connect them with pregnancy centers in their neighborhood." Quick response is essential. "If you go google the word 'abortion' right now there are millions of websites that are going to come up. Our goal is to have Stand Up Girl show up on that first page of their google search."
Family	Local Closer Look	4/2	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Senior Citizens- Bob Dittman talks with Kristine Arnau of Age Friendly Mecklenburg about the services they provide for seniors and in which they facilitate with other agencies to help seniors in the county. They assess a senior's need and direct them to services either on the government level or with private organizations in which services are rendered. They can help seniors finding transportation, help with food insecurity issues, home renovation needs and more. ( <a href="https://meckNC.gov">https://meckNC.gov</a> )
Family	Local Closer Look	6/18	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Senior Citizens- Jack Church spoke with Alissa Celek, Executive Director for Shepherd's Center in Charlotte, North Carolina. How the center is a non-profit interfaith organization that seeks to keep senior adults active and engaged in the community. Post pandemic studies show that isolation among seniors during the pandemic was detrimental to some in both their physical and mental health. Shepherd's Center has several programs designed to help seniors become less isolated. One such program is Adventures in Learning along with focusing on how to use smart phones and other digital devices. The Shepherd's Center also works with South minster to help mitigate social isolation among seniors.
Family	Local Closer Look	6/25	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Foster Care/Adoption- Jack Church spoke with Laura Sheriff, Foster Parent Coordinator with Embrace Treatment Foster Care which serves the entire state of Virginia. At any given day over 5,000 children across the state of Virginia are in foster care. The state is in crisis level as the number of children needing a foster home is far greater than the number of families willing to become foster families. Embrace is there to help place children in foster homes while also supporting the families thru several programs to make the process smooth. From time of application to actual placement of children in a home is around 90 days provided.
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Education	Local Closer Look	6/4	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Programs- Jack Church spoke with Meghan Miller, Operations Lead for Learning Help Centers of Charlotte. The Learning Help Centers have been in Charlotte for over 10 years serving families with weekly tutoring for children as well as special programs for their parents including help with job placement and family budgeting. Most families served are from Hispanic backgrounds and the Center offers bilingual tutoring. While the Center originally offered programs on site at various locations, they now operate from one central local at St. Andrew United Methodist Church. This is not a drop off program but parents are required to be at the Center with the children.
Health	Closer Look	4/2 5/28	7:00 pm Segment 1	30 minutes	Closer Look: Disabled Vets Skydive, Drive Racecars with Ranger Road No arms? No legs? No problem! "Whether you're an amputee, double amputee, triple amputee, you're paralyzed, our skydiving, our scuba, our car races -- they are all adaptive capable." In fact, the leaders and trainers at RR events are themselves disabled vets. "Our skydiving program manager, he's an 82nd airborne guy, double amputee." Participation in these events can bring a soldier camaraderie and a renewed sense of purpose towards mental health and healing. Kindra Ponzio reports.
Health	Closer Look	4/23	7:00 pm	30 minutes	Closer Look: Kids Fooled by Fentanyl, Rx Fakes- Kids are getting pills that look like Xanax or Percocet online or in the locker room. Often laced with fentanyl, these deadly drugs can be 100x stronger than morphine. "It's terrifying," says Pat Aussem of the Partnership to End Addiction. Ed Ternan, co-founder of Song for Charlie lost his college-aged son to one pill and now helps other parents warn their children. "We still say 'just say no' but we spell it K. N. O. W. because many of these young victims are dying from taking a substance they didn't ask for.' Bob Dittman reports.
Health	Closer Look	5/7	7:00 pm Segment 1	30 minutes	Closer Look- Tackle Childhood Obesity at Home, Church, and School- Millions of American kids suffer words like chubby or chunky – or fat – to describe their young bodies. The COVID-19 lockdowns only worsened already alarming levels of childhood obesity, as the CDC found the BMI (body mass index) in children ages 2-19 years old increase nearly doubled

					during the pandemic. Excess weight weakens growing muscles and joints and can lead to juvenile diabetes or even trigger life-threatening asthma “Prevention is what we really want, right?” says Geri Henchy, Director of Nutrition Policy at the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC). “We want kids to be in environments that are not obesogenic; where they’re going to get healthy meals, where there isn’t a lot of junk food, where they have activities -- that’s really going to make a difference for kids.”
Health	Closer Look	6/11	7:00 pm	30 minutes	Closer Look: Pastor Burnout, Caring for Your Leader’s Soul Surveys in 2021 found a sharp rise in the number of church leaders who have seriously considered leaving full-time ministry, citing debilitating stress, anxiety, or depression. K-LOVE's Rafael Sierra talks with Savannah Kimberlin of Barna Group and K-LOVE's Pastor Randy who says rest and other self-care should be a <i>guilt-free</i> part of your life as a spiritual leader. [Educational Media Foundation – All Rights Reserved]
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Health	Closer Look	6/18	7:00 pm Segment 1	30 minutes	Closer Look: Gambling, Suicide Risk and Addiction Recovery- Gambling addiction is a leading cause of suicide in the United States. The thrill of the bet buries vulnerable gamblers deep in debts matched only by their secret shame. But stats prove you can win recovery, as 2 out of 3 people who seek treatment are able to stop. Rafael Sierra talks with Derek Longmeier of Problem Gambling Network of Ohio and Keith Whyte of the National Council on Problem Gambling. Need to talk? Call the National Problem Gambling Helpline: (800) 522-4700.
Health	Local Closer Look	4/16 5/28	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Mental Health/Depression- Bob Dittman talked with Heather Hendrick, the Senior Program Director of Preventative Care at Daymark Recovery Services on how they provide services for people living with mental health challenges, substance abuse disorders and intellectual/developmental disabilities. They have offices throughout North Carolina, have mobile

					health clinics and provide services through Telehealth. They use evidence-based programming which also often includes working with the families of the person in need. ( <a href="https://daymarkrecovery.org">https://daymarkrecovery.org</a> )
Health	Local Closer Look	4/30	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Addiction/Drugs- Bob Dittman talked with Executive Director, Don Holder, of Hebron Colony Ministries on how they help men and women cope with drug and alcohol addiction. Hebron Colony is a Christ-centered addiction recovery ministry. Their programs and the assessment of a particular "student" as they become a part of the program. The 10-week program is held on a farm, separate entities for the men and women, where Bible Studies are held, and work is performed by the students for farm upkeep. ( <a href="https://hebroncolony.org">https://hebroncolony.org</a> )
Health	Local Closer Look	5/7	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Mental Health/Depression- Bob Dittman talks with Kathy Rogers of Mental Health America Central Carolinas on good mental health. MHA focuses on prevention of adverse mental health outcomes, working with other organizations to dispense mental health advocates to those in need. In the past, they have directed people for counseling to others, however, they now offer in-house counseling services to help those in need. Rogers says MHA is involved in prevention strategies to help people get the treatment they need early on to provide the best outcomes. ( <a href="https://mhaofcc.org">https://mhaofcc.org</a> )
Economy	Closer Look	5/21	7:00 pm	30 minutes	Closer Look: Convoy of Hope Springs into Action: 2023 Update- Convoy has been very busy so far this year. Devastating tornado outbreaks slammed several U.S. states. "Convoy is now working long-term to get people what they need -- appliances, furniture, roofs -- whatever it is." The ministry sent aid and comfort when twin earthquakes in Turkey and Syria drove 2.6 million people into tents near the rubble of their homes. Convoy continues to care for war refugees in Ukraine and those who have fled to neighboring countries. Convoy is also committed to an ongoing effort to feed children in global famine. The Children's Feeding program provides meals in 33 countries for more than 500k+ hungry kids.
Economy	Closer Look	6/4	7:00 pm	30 minutes	Closer Look: Food Prices, Fight Inflation from Your Fridge- Food costs more these days. COVID-19 shutdowns drove up the price of labor, fertilizer and fuel needed to move crops from farms to factories to stores and eventually to your kitchen. What can you do? Should you panic buy? Comparison shop? K-LOVE's Billie Wright checks in with Associate Professor Joe Balagtas

					at Purdue University and Jordan Page, lifestyle blogger and mom of 8 for proven tips on cutting your grocery bill.
Economy	Local Closer Look	4/23	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Homelessness- Jack Church spoke with Elizabeth Kurtz, Executive Director for Charlotte Family Housing in Charlotte, North Carolina. How Charlotte Family Housing is able to provide for transitional to permanent housing for families in need. The basic requirements for being in the program are the adults need to be employed and have at least one child in the home. The organization also helps with family budgeting to help insure they remain in permanent housing. 98% of the families sustained housing for at least two years after completing the CFH program.
Economy	Local Closer Look	5/14	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Housing- Bob Dittman talks with Faith Treggs, from Habitat for Humanity of the Charlotte Region on how they help people and families get into great, affordable, housing. The housing crisis is looming large, and they are doing what they can. How Habitat works, and how the mortgages differ from a traditional home loan. Explains what you might find in a Habitat Restore, essentially a thrift store, and the ways in which the Restores help in financing the Habitat builds. Habitat of the Charlotte Region also has a coffee & bookshop that helps with the finances. ( <a href="https://habitatcltregion.org">https://habitatcltregion.org</a> )
Economy	Local Closer Look	6/11	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Homelessness- Bob Dittman talks with Melissa McKeown, CEO of Community Shelter of Union County on how they help those in need with homelessness issues, food insecurity and more. Their goal is to get people and families into shelter and then into more permanent housing with their rapid re-housing program. They also operate a soup kitchen, serving three meals a day, open to anyone in need along with their mobile food pantry to help with the food insecurity issue in the area. ( <a href="https://unionshelter.org">https://unionshelter.org</a> )
Economy	Local Closer Look	6/25	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Hunger/Food Security- Jack Church spoke with Eric Aft, CEO for Second Harvest Food Bank in Winston Salem, North Carolina. How the need for food has seen a sharp upturn in the past couple of years with the Food Bank serving more families and seniors than in previous years. Rising food prices along with rent, utilities and fuel have squeezed many budgets to the point they need some assistance from the food bank. The food distributed by the food bank will serve over 35 million meals in a year with the help of over 40

					thousand volunteer hours. Volunteers are the organizations backbone and they can always use more.
Public Safety	Closer Look	4/16	7:00 pm	30 minutes	Closer Look: Be Safer at Work or Church, Thoughts on Security You see trouble, you hear it – now believe it. “Trust your intuition...you know when a situation is different,” says Hector Alvarez, an expert in workplace security with more than 25 years of experience in threat assessment. “One of your best bets for surviving these incidents is thinking about it before it happens.” Preparation is key says Mindi Russell, Executive Director of the Law Enforcement Chaplaincy of Sacramento. “Instead of, ‘it will never happen here,’ have the mindset that if something happens, this is what we’ll do.” Bob Dittman reports.
Public Safety	Closer Look	4/30	7:00 pm	30 minutes	Closer Look: Don't Click That Link! Be Cyber Smart- Spam on social media. Emails that shout, ‘click here!’ from an inbox full of tricks. Modern cybercriminals commit considerable time and talent to hacking your life.” If you have a gut feeling, if you have an instinct that something isn’t right here – please listen to that.” Don't click! Monika Kelly talks with Gavina Avila of the Better Business Bureau and Darren Mott, retired FBI agent and expert on cybersecurity.
Public Safety	Local Closer Look	5/21	7:30 pm	20 minutes	Animal Control- Jack Church spoke with Krissie Newman, Co-Founder and President for Rescue Ranch located in north of Charlotte in Statesville, North Carolina. How the love for animals at a young age led to her founding this 87-acre ranch which is now home to over 80 animals rescued from a variety of situations from neglect, hoarding and owner surrender. While the ranch is focused on rescuing animals it also emphasizes education programs for youth and adults to learn about responsible pet ownership, empathy, and compassion for animals, how animals survive in the wild, and other fun facts about our Animal Ambassadors.