No One Likes The Homeless...

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No one likes to see the homeless, so they pass laws that protect their vision and a reminder that some of them are one or two pay checks away from being homeless themselves.

I currently serve as a minister of a church located at 232 West 11th Street, in the heart of the well healed West Village in NYC. We have a frequent visitor who sleeps on the steps of our church, and leaves his two giant laundry carts filled with mountains of discarded chairs, old lamps, broken
umbrellas and literally hundreds of soda cans, beer cans, and other items that he picks up from the street.

There is no way we or any of our West 11th Street neighbors will call the police to force him to leave. He comes and goes, doesn't bother anyone, and is a reminder of the needs of many in this city. A few of our members quietly give him food and he travels the West Village spending nights here and there. I saw him the other night when I left the church driving West on 11th Street, and there he was, pushing one of his two heavy laden laundry carts, the other one waiting for him in the middle of the block for him to return and retrieve it.

When I don't see him at our church's doorstep, I wonder where he is and how he is doing. A few nights ago, as described above, he was doing his thing on Hudson Street. I am happy people just let him do whatever he needs to do. Check the link below on what is happening in Florida regarding feeding the homeless.

In Ft. Lauderdale, FL you can get arrested for feeding the homeless

Best regards - Tony Romeo

Join us for a Spirit filled morning of great music and the sharing of the Word. We gather or worship on Saturday morning's at 11:30 a.m. in the 1881 landmark sanctuary of Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church, 232 West 11th Street, NYC. Located just 1.5 blocks West of Seventh Ave. South and one and a half blocks East of West 4th Street, in the beautiful West Village.

We also have a small group gathering every Friday evening at Cafe Reach, in the candlelit relaxed setting where we come together to learn and encourage each other. Please join us this Friday, Nov. 14.

PARKING: If you are traveling by car and cannot find a parking space on the street, we recommend a discount indoor parking garage located on West 12th Street. Travel down Seventh Ave. South and on the corner of West 12th Street, make a left turn. The indoor parking garage is located immediately on your left. The discounted parking fee is good on Saturday's from when you arrive until 7 PM.

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