

WOW JAM

WINNING OUR WORLD

Bringing Hope to People in Need

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

June 2010

...because in 23 days we will be in Los Angeles and Long Beach doing 5 WOW JAMS in 9 days plus a baptism at the beach. Last year in LA/ Long Beach I projected 18,000 people to attend....

I was **WRONG!!!**28,000 people showed up and were loved, blessed and fed (physically and spiritually).

Since then, things have gotten worse in California and many programs that helped the poor are being cut.

According to the Institute for the Study of Homelessness and Poverty, an estimated 254,000 men, women and children experience homelessness in Los Angeles County during some part of the year. Approximately 82,000 people are homeless in LA on any given night. Unaccompanied youth are estimated to make up from 4,800 to 10,000 of these!

Other Facts About the Homeless Population in Los Angeles:

- 20% to 43% are in families, typically headed by a single mother.
- 41% of adults were employed within last year.
- 16% to 20% of adults are employed.
- 20% are physically disabled. About 25% are mentally ill.
- As children, 27% lived in foster care or group homes; 25% were physically or sexually abused
- 48% graduated from high school; 32% had a bachelor degree or higher.

Gives a different perspective on the homeless doesn't it? **Many of these people will attend the WOW JAMS**, which is why our time in Los Angeles is **vital**.