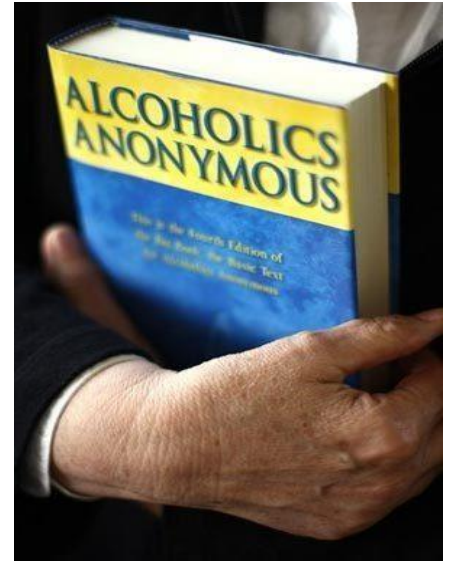


WE ALL HAVE A STORY

Supporting Those with Addictions

Many of us have been impacted by addiction, whether personally or within our families and communities. Room In The Inn serves individuals who struggle with varying types of addiction. While not all your guests will have a history of addiction, it's important to be sensitive to the experiences of those facing the journey toward recovery. At Room In The Inn, we address addiction as a medical and social issue rather than a criminal one. More importantly, it enables us to build a supportive community that inspires a sense of hope. Here are some ways you can support individuals struggling with addiction through the hospitality offered in your congregation.



HOSPITALITY TIPS

- Think about the programs your congregation offers for recovery (AA/NA Meetings, etc.). Could one of these programs be scheduled during a Room In The Inn evening?
- Educate yourself about the resources available (i.e. 12-step program) and have literature on hand if possible.
- Remember RITI works to connect individuals seeking recovery with resources. Reach out if you feel we can help.
- Try to keep sensitive conversations private.
- Be mindful of the conversations you have and avoid any topics that could potentially upset someone seeking recovery.
- Maintain a positive attitude in difficult conversations. Be an attentive and appreciative listener.



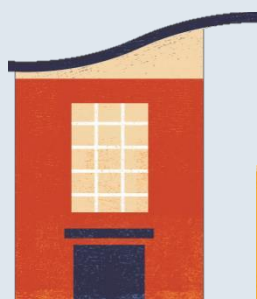
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SERENITY PRAYER

God grant me the serenity
to accept the things
I cannot change;
courage to change the
things I can;
and wisdom to know the
difference.

PERSONAL REFLECTION

How does the recovery process tie into your congregation's spirituality? Are there ways your congregation can offer more to help people who struggle with addiction?



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