Report of the Outreach Selection Committee to the Board of Directors CMMS Deshae Lott Ministies, Inc.

The Outreach Selection Committee is proud to announce the first recipient of the CMMS Deshae Lott Ministries Quality-of-Life Grant: Philip Soen

The Committee reviewed materials from only one applicant, Philip Soen. At the age of 4, Philip was diagnosed with a degenerative neurological condition called Charcot Marie Tooth (CMT) By the age of 15, Philip was completely wheelchair-bound..

CMT affects the peripheral nervous system, impairing strength and control in the lower legs and arms. Philip can no longer stand nor move his fingers or hands.



Philip Soen

Philip is currently a graduate student finishing his

Masters in Biblical Studies, with plans to pursue a PhD in Old Testament studies and eventually to be a college professor. He is married to Emily and they have one child, Anastasia, born



Emily, Philip and Anastasia Soen Halloween 2009.

in May 2009. Philip was born and raised outside of Chicago, IL, but he and Emily now live in Jackson, MS.

We chose to award Philip a \$500 grant. This will leave us with an additional \$500 in the Outreach Fund, should we receive additional applications for the quality of life grants.

CMMS Deshae Lott Ministries works to help American citizens with severe physical disabilities maintain hopeful, purposeful, engaged lives by providing some financial support for medically-necessary home-health-care services not covered by insurance, private or governmental, and not covered by any other non-profit organization.

For the purposes of awarding Quality-of-Life Grants, a person is considered to have a severe physical disability when he or she needs help from human beings and/or complex medical equipment to perform at least eight of the following ten daily functions: mobility and transferring positions; bathing and daily hygiene; toileting; personal grooming and dressing; meal planning, food shopping, preparation and consumption; preparing and administering medications; performing routine medical procedures, occupational and physical therapy; breathing, clearing secretions and respiratory treatments; transportation; and housekeeping and bill management.

Respectfully submitted, The Outreach Selection Committee Susan Caldwell, Deshae Lott & Alton R. Lott