### FREEDOM HOUSE

# Mission Bible Training Center A division of Mission Teens, Inc

www.freedomhousembtc.com



27791 State Highway 25 PO Box 221 Holcomb, MO 63852 573-371-2020

freeedomhousembtc@gmail.com

Like us on Facebook!!

"Help for the desperate, those willing to seek Jesus Christ for the answers in their lives"

Waiting is one of the hardest things to do. "Here's what I've learned through it all; Don't give up; don't be impatient; be entwined as one with the Lord. Be brave and courageous, and never lose hope. Yes, keep on waiting-for He will never disappoint you!" Psalm 27:14 (TPT) Waiting on the Lord means having hope, trusting Him and His timing, and anticipating what is going to be the best. Waiting requires faith and patience. In our fast-paced world, it seems that no one likes to wait. We don't even like to wait for the light to turn green somedays. We counsel the residents to wait-wait on the Lord ~ His plan is better than our plan could ever be. People leave the program before completion because they want to go "be a mom" but they haven't learned how to be a godly mom...they want to go "get a job" but they haven't learned how to be under authority to be a good employee...they want to "find a partner" buy they haven't learned how to be a husband or wife in the Lord. Waiting is hard. Waiting is worth it. We are so proud of what the Lord has done through Dennis and Dezirae. It has been a beautiful love story unfolding. Dennis has been being trained in the Lord to put Him first and seek Him and His will daily. Dezirae has been learning through the waiting process that God had a perfect plan for her, but He needed to be enough. When the Lord became enough for both of them, He put them together. We are so happy for them and what the Lord is already doing for them. Please keep them in your prayers as they make plans and preparations for their journey in the Lord has one.





2022 has already been an exciting year. We started work on the new building Monday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> and had an engagement announcement on January 4<sup>th</sup>. What a way to start off the new year. The building remodel has begun. We are starting with remodeling a space to make an apartment for Dennis and Dezirae to move into when they become husband and wife (praise the Lord!) and then we will continue with the area next to their space which will be used for staff rooms, then on to shower/laundry space, women's dorm and then the recreation room. We are so excited that the Lord is going before us and showing us His plans in His time.

Thank you Jesus!



If you are ready to be delivered from your life-controlling problems, if you are ready for **JESUS**, then we believe that our program is for **YOU**. If you are looking for help for yourself or for a loved one, please pick up the phone and call us today... **573-371-2020**. We will be happy to help or direct you to one of our other 20 Mission Teen centers.



My name is **Katie Pitts**. I am 32 years old from Kennett, MO. I had a good childhood never wanting for anything. My mother took me to church every time the doors were open. I was saved at a young age and had relations with Jesus but not a relationship. Growing up, I suffered from depression, anxiety, and rejection issues, In my later teenager years I discovered alcohol and liked the way it made me feel, In reality, I ended up in bondage and it made the things I was experiencing worse, I used alcohol to fill a void but ended up with a lot of brokenness and burnt bridges, After I dug a hole I didn't think I could get

out of, I reached out to my mother, She directed me to Freedom House where I found my best friend Jesus Christ. When I put in my application, I knew I was doing the right thing because a peace came over me that I hadn't had in a long time. Since I have been here Jesus has broken down the walls I had built up. Instead of feeling rejected I am experiencing His love. I have joy when I wake up and he has delivered me form the things I suffered form for many years because in Him is Freedom. He is there even when we don't think so. I remember one day I prayed and asked for Him to let me know He was hearing me. Later, that night a lady visited Freedom House and said the Lord told her to tell me that He hears me and is listening. That was an amazing faith booster. He shows up every day in this way. The scripture that has been with me since I started down this path is John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." I am so grateful and thankful for everything He is doing in the lives of the people here and the hope He gives us.



## **6<sup>TH</sup> Annual Graduation Banquet**

Saturday, Illarch 12th

**6:00 pm @ Open Door Church Worship Center**(behind the house)

Tickets are just \$20

# A Night of Celebrating What the Lord Has Done!!

We are super proud of what the Lord is doing at Freedom House and in the lives of the people He sends here. We pray that you can come out on March 12<sup>th</sup> and help us honor the Lord and the graduates of this past year.

#### PLEASE RSVP TO DEZIRAE @ 573-609-1175

If you would like your church or business ad in our Graduation Book this year, please contact Dezirae or send in your payment with a copy of your ad. You can also just place an ad of encouragement to the graduates. We appreciate your help in making this a successful fundraiser!



Business card size \$15 Quarter page \$25 Half page \$50 Full Page \$100

\*The banquet is our biggest fundraiser of the year. We are raising funds to expand our residential capacity. Please pray about how you can be a part of this year's celebration.

### FEBRUARY NEEDS

Produce, Coffee, Bread 30 Gallon Trash Cans 4-Tires -LT 245/65R17

If you would like to help with the building project, please contact Dennis @ 573~305~2997 for an update on needs or other ways you can help.

Jesus made it very clear that our loving one another was not a suggestion, but a "new commandment" to us from God. It is not optional or dependent on who is right or wrong in any circumstance. It is a required mark of a Christian. Let us remember these words of Jesus in this ever-changing world.



By this all men will know that you are My disciples if you have love for one another. John 13:35