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

The start of a new year is a great time to reflect on goals and things that need to be done. I see all kinds of propaganda about resolutions during this season. That can be a good thing, but it can also be a way for the enemy to come in and make you feel like a failure. I can remember all kinds of promises I have made at the start of a new year..."this year I'm going to start exercising every day...drink more water...stop drinking soda"...fill in the blank. It's all great but what happens when you don't do what you planned on doing? For me, I feel like I have failed and then stop trying. I think this is the case for a lot of us. Praise God that His Word says that His mercies are new every morning. Lamentations 3:23. That doesn't mean that we should continue to sin because He is gracious, it means that when we do fail, and we will, He is right there ready to help us do better. If your new year resolution is to get your life right, please don't wait. It's not worth it. Taste and see that the Lord is good. When you come to the well, your biggest regret will be that you didn't come sooner. It's a great day to have a great day no matter what time of year it is!



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 Whitney Burnette. I am 29 yeas old from Wynne, Arkansas. I grew up in a great household with parents who made sure I never wanted or needed for anything. I always had the nicest of nice, a lot of friends, and did really well in school. But even though I had all of those things I still struggled a lot with finding my identity and being confident with who I was. So, at the age of 14 I started using drugs and alcohol and it was like instantly I felt comfortable in my own skin. That first time I used turned into a 15-year opiate addiction and downward spiral I threw myself into constant chaos and could never bring myself out of that pit. I felt like because of all of the destruction I caused to my life as well as my family's life that I deserved to die a drug addict. On May 1st, 2021, it finally clicked that something had to change for me. That afternoon I pulled on property at Freedom House and knew that the Lord was about to change my life drastically. I had a sense of peace that I had never experienced. I have always known of Jesus, but I had never had an intimate relationship with Jesus until I came to Freedom House. Since coming to know

the Lord I have learned how to love myself only after understanding the magnitude of His love for me. About 6 weeks after entering the program I was given adoption papers for my 5-month-old son. That was the hardest situation to go through but in the midst of it I learned to run to the Lord and lay all of my troubles at His feet because He cares! One day, I was having a rough day and praved. "Lord some avocados would lift my spirits." And He delivered! We ate avocados for about 3 weeks after that. Him answering that prayer showed me that He hears me and cares about me and built my faith tenfold. 1 Peter 2:9 says, "You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light." The Lord chose me and pulled me out of my mess, out of an all-consuming darkness, and into the light. He could do nothing else for me and I'd want to spend eternity praising Him. Today, because of Jesus, I wake up with a purpose and a hope for my future that I've never been able to find anywhere else before. I have faith in Jesus and that He will restore those things I've lost as He sees fit. Today, because of Jesus, I wake up loving my new life!

The Lord Has **Done Great** Things For Us

Psalm 126:3

Ways we are helping...

- Teaching the residents to serve through community outreach and volunteering
- Offering hope in Jesus through sharing at churches and events
- Changing lives through Jesus and sending people home to spread that light in their family and community
- Teaching life skills to the residents that they will use in the future
- Building the Kingdom for His glory

Ways you can help...

- Pray for the ministry, the residents and the leaders
- Become a monthly supporter
- Check out our current needs on Amazon and Walmart and help how vou can
- Tell others about Freedom House and what the Lord is doing here
- Come out and worship with us any night at 7:30
- Donate your used items for our yard sales

2022 prayers and needs...

THANK YOU

for your support

- That the expansion would happen quickly and the additional beds would be filled.
- For the Lord to direct us to broaden our area
- A new walk-in refrigerator
- Good running van or truck for donation pickups
- Good running vehicle that is good on gas for small trips
- For the Lord to send people who are serious and desperate for a life change through Him.
- A dentist that wants to help the residents that need a tooth pulled









Put on the new self, created to, be like God in true righteousness and holiness. Ephesians 4:24