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

Since 1969, well over 28,000 people have come through the doors of a Mission Teens center with a 90% success rate for the people who have graduated and have been reporting back. Freedom House has had over 600 people enter the program in the past 7 years. It is amazing

to think of all the lives that have been touched. We have had 119 graduates of the 8 - 10 month program since March, 2016. The program itself is not easy because you are forced to look at yourself and ask the Lord to help you heal and fix the areas that are broken. We are

so encouraged by the number of graduates that have come out of Freedom House and have applied what they learned here and are doing well. The theme for this years banquet is all about God's love. His love for us, our love for Him and the love that He pours through us to others. John 3:16 "For this is how God LOVED the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life." If you would like to attend the banquet or sponsor a resident or staff member, tickets are just \$20. Please contact us so that we can put you on the list. There is limited seating for this event so get your reservation in early. Contact Dezirae @ 573-609-1175.

The 6th Annual Freedom House MBTC Graduation Banquet is Saturday, March 12th. We are so blessed to witness lives being changed daily. We are encouraged by the graduates that have left and went home to be a light in their community. They have learned to apply what they learned while they were here and to continue to put Jesus first in their lives.

> "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you." -Matthew 6:33



BUILDING UPDATE!

God is good! We have been able to move forward – debt free on this project. The space for Dennis and Dezirae is almost complete and will be ready for them to move into after their wedding on April 2nd. We have updated our Amazon "needs" list to include some items needed for Dennis and Dezirae. If you would like to get them something, just click and it will be mailed here and given to them. If you would like to bless the newlyweds financially, please make your check out to Dennis Russell or put a memo and we will make sure it gets to them. Dennis and Dezirae have served at Freedom House for over 4 years with no pay and this is an exciting time for them. Any help is very appreciated.



My name is **Jordon Daniel Rogers**. I am 26 years old, and I am from Puxico, Missouri. My parents got divorced when I was young, and it really affected me. They both got remarried, but it was still never the same. I put all the hurt deep inside and turned to drugs instead of dealing with it. By the time I turned 18, I was an active meth user. The devil had me right where he wanted me. I lost family relationships and burnt every bridge I came across. I got "clean" for a while, but I still didn't have what I really needed-a relationship with Jesus. My mom passed away and I ended up right back in addiction. Eventually I tried to kill myself. I woke up in the hospital and knew there had to be a

better life for me. I went directly from the hospital to Freedom House. I got saved and was on cloud nine for a while, but I let pride run me out the door right back into the life I was so desperate to leave behind. I came back to Freedom House, and they never judged me, they all just accepted me back with open arms. I finally have surrendered to my lot in life – serving God! There is no place I would rather be doing it than right where I am. I have had so many faith boosters along the way. One day I was praying for soda of all things. I just really wanted a soda. Later that same day, someone donated like forty 2 liters of soda. I thought I wanted the soda, but what I really needed to know was that Jesus was listening to me. He heard my prayer and sent the soda. I know this is not an easy road, but in the end it will be worth it. That's what I want others to know. Life is hard but Jesus is right there, listening and He loves us and wants better for us. Besides the soda, I have received healing in my body, restored family relationships, a brand-new hope and understanding of who I am in Christ. I really can't put into words how grateful I am for Jesus saving me and giving me a brand-new life. 2 Corinthians 5:17 "This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone, and a new life has begun." Thank you Jesus for giving me a new life!!

MARCH NEEDS

Produce, Bread, Windex, Copy Paper, Tires

SUPPLIES FOR BLDG PROJECT... Contact Dennis for current needs 573-305-2997

Regular Monthly Supporters Please pray and ask the Lord if you could pledge a portion of your giving to us.

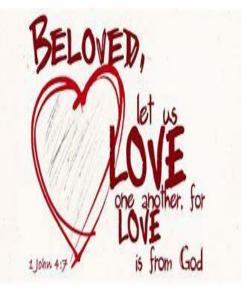


Daylight Savings is March I3th! Don't forget to "spring forward"

Our hearts are overwhelmed with gratitude. We have the best teachers, church supporters and community supporters. We are so grateful for those of you who have stepped up to help with monthly support of this ministry, sent items that are needed through the new Walmart and Amazon registry, sponsored residents for the banquet and purchased ads for our graduation book. It is truly overwhelming the outpouring of love we have experienced. We were unsure of how the epidemic would affect the ministry and its needs, but <u>God!</u> is faithful and has spoken to so many of you to help and we pray that God blesses you abundantly for your obedience.







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.