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

Everyone is excited about the holiday season. We have our Fall Talent Show on November 20th, followed by a Thanksgiving Day of feasting and fellowship. Then we jump right into the Christmas season. We are going to be attending several different churches throughout November and December, handing out brochures and telling testimonies about what Jesus is doing in and through us. We will also be presenting a live nativity the week of Christmas. Last year everyone was blessed with the peace, comfort and joy that only comes from Jesus during this busy time of the year and we are looking with great expectations this year. Please pray about being a blessing to us throughout this time.

We are so grateful for everyone who supports what God is doing here. We stay busy all the time. We are blessed with the best group of people that God called to stay on after graduating the program and serve as staff.

Here is what the staff is grateful for through serving at Freedom House.

Dezirae Starcher – I love that I get to travel to different churches, meeting people, sharing God's love and hearing the testimonies of the residents. There is truly nothing more fulfilling than getting to pour into others what Jesus pours into me.

Stewart Kerr – I am most grateful to have life again and through this new life, be able to help others. I am so grateful for the opportunity to just serve the Lord.

Brian Nix – I am grateful to be part of the day-to-day operations of this ministry. I am very involved with the residents, and I also get to teach and train up the newest staff members.

Treyton Hartle – I am the overseer so I am the first person people talk to when they call in for help. I am thankful that the Lord still uses me after all the mistakes I have made, I still have a purpose for Him. Also, I get to work with great people in the office every day.

Brad Boyer – I am the guy that gets to pick up donations. I never know where I will be going or who I will be meeting, but I can see the Lord using me to tell others about Jesus and pray with people everywhere I go. I love being part of God's family here

Jason Motter – I am known as "the encourager". I really am thankful for that, and I know that people need encouraging. I am grateful to be able to see how the Lord restores and gives us all a new, better life in Him.

Melissa Gaydos – I am grateful to be able to see people fall in love with Jesus and be able to enjoy the simple life again. I am grateful to see the residents find hope again and get joy back. Finding out that Jesus is all we needed this whole time.

Luther Thompson – I am grateful to be in a house where I know that the work I do goes to the furtherance of the Gospel. I love to see the Lord move in the resident's lives. They come in broken they hear the gospel of Christ and they come alive. I also know that in all my duties treasures are being stored up that can never be taken from me.

Dennis Russell – I'm grateful to be a part of this ministry because I get to see lives changed and families restored. I've been given the opportunity to be raised up as a leader in Christ and the opportunity to learn new things. I get to see the miracle of God's creation firsthand working in the greenhouse and raising bees.

Steve Martin – I am grateful to be part of Freedom house because I know that God is working in our lives to prepare us so that we can further be used for His divine purpose. I am now a beacon to the lost. I know that my past helps me be able to minister to broken people in a way that God could only use someone like me to do.

Shirlee Pittman – I am grateful I get to see the residents reunited with their families. I get to see strongholds broken and freedom step in. My eyes have been opened to be able to see God's love and joy in others.

Mike Shephard – I'm grateful to be amongst believers' long term in order to experience change. I've made lifelong friends in Christ and I love that we all get to study the Bible together.

Rodney Walker – I'm grateful for the opportunity to just be able to serve Jesus and his people. I get to see lives changed and at the same time Jesus is changing my life too. There's nothing better than Jesus and what we do here at Freedom House.

Gary Smith – I am super grateful to serve at Freedom House. To give back to the Lord to see others lives change by the touch of God: For much has been given much is required Luke 12:48

Susan Smith – I am so grateful for the life God gave me. I continue to be in awe of all He has done since we started here. I still cannot believe this is the life I get to live. Thank you Jesus. I am extremely grateful for the staff at Freedom House, the people that answered His call to stick around and give back. They are true blessings to everyone here.



**How Can
 I Ever
 Begin to
 Thank You,
 Jesus!**





Hello, my name is **Omar Mitchell**, and I am from St. Charles, Missouri. I grew up and in very loving but strict household. My parents were great to us, but volatile to each other. I grew up seeing them argue a lot and it really affected me. I was full of joy on the outside, but anger on the inside. I started stealing things because I wanted attention. It started with candy and escalated to joy rides in stolen cars. By the time I was 20 years old, I had 6 felonies. I spent 3 years in prison and came out looking for anything to fill the void and suppress all the anger I still had inside of me. I turned to drugs but still felt empty. I started going to a church and the Lord revealed Himself to me. Unfortunately, I was not ready to fully surrender because I was still a slave to sin. I went from job to job, failed relationship to failed relationship, all the while the anger is dwelling deep down inside of me. The off and on drug use and off and on seeking of the Lord was a recipe for disaster. I ended up in a volatile relationship just like the one I witnessed as a child. We were both addicts and I was physically abusive to her which landed me in prison for 5 more years. I spent half of my prison time going to church and reading my Bible but when I got released, I went right back to the ways of the world. I felt like the Lord had delivered me, which He had, but I chose to pick up the old habits. I met the mother of my daughter, and she could see I was broken. She would encourage me and point me to the Lord, but I was still living a lie. After about a year everything came out. First the drug use. So I began to call upon the Lord for deliverance from my strongholds. The conviction was too much to bear, and I just did not want to give it up. I just kept fighting and fighting with it, running from God and His call on me. I came to Mission Teens for a few weeks at the end of 2019 and got a taste and seen that it was good, but the world pulled me away for another failed attempt at trying to do it on my own without the Lord leading my steps. 2020 was just a whole lot of bumping my head over and over trying to live life under my own strength but I remembered this one particular scripture that God kept bringing back to my remembrance in 2 Chronicles 7:14 **"If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sins and will heal their land."** So, I did, I prayed. The Lord heard my prayers and blessed me with my daughter. Then, I got complacent and crashed again. I was done-waving the white flag in surrender...I came on back to Freedom House. I knew it was time-literally. As soon as I got here my watch broke and I knew how necessary it was to use time wisely here, so I started praying for a new watch and within 48 hours the Lord blessed me with a new one through one of His shepherds here at the house. I am so humble and grateful the Lord kept me and saved me-never letting go while I was out there in my mess.



Christmas is right around the corner!

Christmas Sponsors Needed

We are currently collecting \$65 per person for purchasing gifts.

For many of the people at Freedom House, this will be the first Christmas in a long time that they will spend sober. For some, this will be the first Christmas celebrating the true meaning ...JESUS! We want to make this holiday a great day for each of them. We let the residents make a list of things they want and then we go out and buy the items with the money that is raised, wrap them up and place them under the tree to open as a family on Christmas.

Please pray about being a blessing to us with a sponsorship



NOVEMBER NEEDS

Turkeys, Hams, Dinner Rolls, Marshmallows, Coffee, Eggs, Produce

5W/20 Motor Oil, Anti-Freeze, Windshield Washer Fluid, Laundry Pods

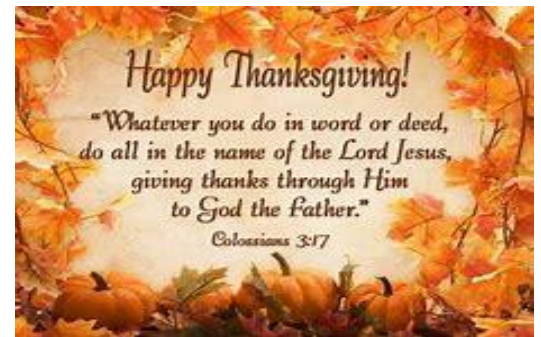
Large and small envelopes

Fall Talent Show

Saturday – November 20th

7:00 pm at The Open Door Church Worship Hall

A night of original skits, songs poems and testimonies performed by the staff and residents. This is always a great time glorifying the Lord and all He has done. Refreshments and fellowship after the show!



Let's Connect!



BE INSPIRED AND KEEP UP WITH WHAT THE LORD IS DOING AT FREEDOM HOUSE



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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.