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

*Merry Christmas from Our House to Yours!!*



What a year 2020 has been! It is very clear to all of us that the Lord's return is drawing near and it is so important to get our lives in order and keep them in order. This is always important, but now more than ever. We have seen a lot of loved ones be called home to the Lord, we have seen people be divided over a tiny virus and people be divided over a huge election. The enemy wants us divided to destroy us. Remember as you assemble with loved ones this season that Jesus is our Prince of Peace. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. (Eph 4:3)

Our prayer and message is that Jesus is the same today, yesterday and forever. (Heb 13:8) He is the King of King and the Lord of Lords. (Rev 19:16) He came to us in a the form of a baby with the purpose to take on the sins of the world so that we could be set free. He came because we are all sinners by nature and by choice. (Romans 3:23) His gift to us this season and everyday is the gift of eternal life. Because is it a GIFT, we have to receive it for it to be ours. And It's a FREE gift (Romans 6:23) He came for us, He died for us and praise the Lord, He arose from the grave. (Romans 5:8) We have to put our hope and trust in Jesus. The time may be nearer than we think that confessing with your mouth that Jesus Christ is Lord may be considered a crime. But I say...JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!! (Romans 10:9,10)

You need to know that you know that you know that if you died today, you are going to Heaven.  
If you are not sure, talk to someone, give us a call. You cannot be "almost sure".

**"For whosoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."**  
**Romans 10:13.**

*"For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders,  
And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace, His government and its peace will never end. He will rule with  
fairness and justice from the throne of his ancestor David for all eternity.  
The passionate commitment of the Lord of Heaven's Armies will make this happen!"*

**~Isaiah 9:6,7**





My name is **Jacob Barnes**. I was born in 1997 in Jackson, Tennessee. When I was young, my parents moved us to Kennett, Missouri because my father was from there. My parents were young, and my dad couldn't handle the pressure, so he drank and used drugs and hung out with the wrong people, often leaving me and my mom and sisters to fend for ourselves. Eventually, my parents split up and my mom ended up moving all of us in with her boyfriend in a nice house. This didn't last long because he too had a drug addiction. I really feel like despite all of this, I had a great childhood, and my mom did the best she could. When I was in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, I started hanging out with older kids and was introduced to marijuana and K2, a synthetic form of cannabis. I got kicked out of school and everything just got worse and worse until I ended up being a full-blown meth addict. I was 18 years old and had felonies for 11 counts of burglary. I was in jail for a long time and when I got out, I went right back to my old ways and ended up right back in jail. I went to a rehab program through the jail where I got introduced to Jesus. I graduated the program and planned on doing right this time. In just 3 days, I got my girlfriend pregnant and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day, my sister came and told me that my dad had died. Even though he had his struggles in this life, he was my best friend. I didn't know how to process this, and my life spiraled out of control. My mom reached out to a co-worker who encouraged her, telling her that Jesus was my only hope. A week later I was at Freedom House. Immediately Jesus started to work in my life. The overwhelming love and hope the house gave to me was something I had never felt anywhere else. I decided to plant my feet and fight the good fight with Jesus Christ by my side and I don't think I'll ever be the same. Jesus has changed my life through being at Freedom House. He has filled a void I have had my entire life. The scripture I love the most is Joshua 1:9 **"Have I not commanded you, be strong and courageous, do not tremble or be dismayed, the Lord your god is with you wherever you go."**



Our top prayer request for 2020 was for the Lord to fill all the resident beds at Freedom House and to raise up the Staff to help. He was so faithful to consistently answer that request. Our prayer for 2021 is for the Lord to show us His direction on ways to expand, and to bring the funding to do this, so that we can help even people. We pray that the people He sends will be desperate and hungry for change that can only come from Jesus. We pray that God will fill up all the other Mission Teens centers with residents and staff. We also pray for the nation and its leaders.

Please keep this in your prayers.

The world needs Jesus!!



Christmas  
Play

Saturday,  
December 19<sup>th</sup>

★ *Live  
Nativity*

Sunday, December 20 - Wednesday, December 23

Dusk to 8:30 pm Nightly



What a wonderful way for you and your family to witness the true meaning of Christmas!

Brought to you by the residents of Freedom House



Thanks to everyone who has sent in a \$65 Sponsorship for the Christmas gifts! It's not too late to get yours in, just mark the memo portion of your check "Christmas".

**DECEMBER NEEDS**



Lunch Meat, Pepper, Tea, Fresh Produce

5W30 Motor Oil, Dex Cool Anti-Freeze,  
De-Icer Windshield Fluid, Bleach, Toilet Paper

*Regular Monthly Supporters*



The holidays can be especially hard for some people. 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.