QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF TABITHA MINISTRY SUMMER 2022

Grant Received for Retreat & Field Trips

Thank you to the Redeeming Love Foundation for providing a generous grant to enable Tabitha Ministry to take its residents on a spiritual retreat as well as field trips over a 12month period. Many of our residents have not had the opportunity to participate in middle class



experiences, such as attending a ballet, ballgame, or concert, and some have never seen the ocean. Thanks to the generosity of the Redeeming Love Foundation, our residents will experience a spiritual retreat at Fort Caswell on Oak Island in the Fall.

FATHER'S LOVE BANQUET

Please join us for the Father's Love Banquet on **Tue, 9/20/22,** from 5:30p to 8:00p at Calvary Church, 1665 Pleasant Ridge Rd, GSO. Visit tabithaministry.com for details on ordering tickets. Cost = \$20. The event includes a catered dinner and a silent auction. Sherri Harvey & her son Phillip Robert Eisenman IV will share Phillip's story of recovery through a faith-based program. Rachel Hickling from Inspiration Worship Co. will provide the music.



Happy Graduation

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Rhonda graduated from the residential program on June 26.

Congratulations, Rhonda!



Graduate Testimonial: Dollie

Dollie graduated from the residential program in February 2018.

Dollie had a good childhood and was raised in church. Her parents split when she was 16 years old, and then her father passed away when she was 20. Dollie didn't know how to cope with the losses, so she turned to drinking and drugs for 12 years.

Dollie and her young son Parker lived with her mother for a time, but her mother had enough of enabling Dollie and kicked her out when Parker was almost 4 years old.

Dollie was homeless for 11 months, living on the streets of Lumberton, until a pastor intervened. He first helped her get detoxed medically, and then he helped her get into Solus Christus. Dollie stayed there for five weeks until she entered Tabitha Ministry's residential program in February 2017.

Dollie's mother refused to talk with her for a couple of years, but Dollie prayed for restoration. When she was nine months into the residential program, her mother agreed to see her. Their relationship has grown closer ever since.

Dollie graduated from the residential program in February 2018 and entered the graduate program. Throughout this time, she prayed for restoration with her son. Parker came to live with her in August 2019, shortly before his 7th birthday.



Dollie with Cindi Wagner, founder of Tabitha Ministry.



Dollie with her son, Parker. God answered her prayers.

Dollie's Life Verse

"I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten." ~ Joel 2:25

This was the first verse of scripture that Dollie started praying.

Today, Dollie works for Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist and continues to parent Parker. She and her mother are now close. In fact, her relationship with her mother is the best it's ever been. God truly has repaid Dollie for the years the locusts had eaten!

Jesus Restores Would you consider making a donation so more women can experience God's restoration?

Ministry Update

Thank you to everyone who contributes to the Tabitha Ministry community!

As the last quarter of this year is nearing, we are so thankful for the blessings we have witnessed as a ministry. God has been so faithful to continue what He started through Cindi Wagner over 20 years ago. We have had two graduations and are looking forward to another one coming soon. There are a few of our ladies that are already saying they feel called to minister to others lost in addiction after they have graduated and are on a strong footing.

So many people have come alongside the ministry this year to invest their resources of time or tangible gifts to show these ladies how valuable they are. The Redeeming Love Foundation awarded us a grant for field trips and retreats, so we are looking forward to a beach retreat in October. We have been given tickets to Tim Hawkins' performance and Joytime conference from ministry supporters to inspire our ladies' understanding of wholesome entertainment and fellowship. The ladies went to a Book Launch for Raising Lazarus,



which includes two of our past residents and a mention of Tabitha Ministry. We also have some new teachers joining the ministry to strengthen our curriculum base: Kathy Kunkle, Trina Bennett, and Cyndi Pryzmenski. We also want to thank Jane Taylor for instructing our ladies in a weekly water movement class at the YMCA. Of course, we so appreciate our faithful volunteers who have been by our side through thick and thin for years.

The thrift store has been very blessed with partner business donors sending their clearance items as well as people from the community who are cleaning out or downsizing. Sales are increasing while providing our community with high quality items at incredibly low prices during this time of financial uncertainty. We also provide donations of clothing and food from our excess to other charities or initiatives. The ladies love being able to be on the other side of charitable works.

We cannot begin to express how thankful we are for God's steady hand guiding and blessing us this year as we navigate what is in store for Tabitha Ministry in these changing times. Our new home construction hit a snag when the present owner of the property we need to build on decided to drastically raise the price and construction materials went through the roof. We know God has a better plan and we are patiently waiting for HIS timing. Please keep us in your prayers and know we are moving full steam ahead. Hope to see you at the Father's Love Banquet!



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- 6. Follow the in-app instructions to link to your Amazon Smile account.

Announcements

New Resident



Welcome Mistie! She joined the resident program on June 28.

Save the Date!

- * Father's Love Banquet: 9/20/22
- * Christmas Tea: 12/6/22

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Howard Harvey High Point Rockers Denise Jessup Nothing Bundt Cake **Our State Magazine Rebecca** Phillips Thairapy Hair Studio Todd's Custom Wheel & Tire **Triangle Fitness UNCG** Spartans

Thank you Donors!

Thank you to everyone who has donated items for the silent auction at the Father's Love Banquet on 9/20/22.

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