



Spring 2024

New Life has now been open for over six months and all our current beds are full. As a staff team we are blessed and honoured to journey with these ladies and witness their lives change. We are grateful that you too are a part of their journey through your support in prayer, encouragement or financially. New Life Women's Home would not be possible without the support of so many like yourself, so **THANK YOU**. The ladies and staff pray for you regularly with gratitude.

Every Friday the ladies are tasked with writing an insight on what the Lord has shown them during the past week. It is a privilege to be given a window into their hearts. On Monday's these insights are read out loud in class. Through sharing each one presses through fears of thinking they can't read well, being vulnerable, wondering what others will think and the fear of shame and judgment. With courage these ladies choose to learn and practice trusting others despite the uncomfortable feelings that rise up.

**Christ came to offer New Life. The cost: His Life.** Each woman in the program has been learning what it means to surrender their life. In return, they have experienced a God who is a loving and faithful Father who wants to set them free!

## What Has God Been Showing You This Week?

*"I feel like a butterfly breaking out of a cocoon, it's the fight to transformation and it's not easy. God will put me through trials for growth, I used to hate Him for that, but my point of view is changing. I still wonder why He saved me out of all the people I've lost to addiction, maybe because even in my darkest moments I begged Him to save me. I feel so blessed, God has given me such an amazing chance to heal in a safe nonjudgmental environment."*

~ Brook



*"I want to totally surrender to God. There are still many places in my life where this needs to happen. I need to surrender my fear of man and replace it with the fear of God and love for others. I need to surrender my need to prove my worth and replace it with knowing God's worth. I wrote about how I need to surrender and replace, that is very true, but I absolutely don't mean it in a way where I am the one doing it alone. Anything I do is really God doing it in me."*

~ Rachel



*"Since the age of 15 I have struggled with mental illness and opioid addiction. I have been addicted for so long that I was comfortable with the label of being an addict, until I was no longer able to look at myself in the mirror anymore because I was so ashamed for the things that I have done. Until I cried out to the Lord and asked Him for help and said I surrender to you. Psalm 116:1-2 says, 'I love the Lord, for He heard my voice; He heard my cry for mercy. Because He turned His ear to me, I will call on Him as long as I live.' For the first time in 23 years the chains are now broken and God has set me free." ~ Brianna*

*"The Lord has done so much for myself, family, and friends already. Pulling me out of the darkness and into the light was a huge step for me. I had not noticed it for so many years that I was even in darkness, but I can recognize it now. The devil was in charge for so long, but the Lord is in charge now and I'm not going back EVER!"  
~ Shantelle*



*"I have imprisoned myself in fear. Fear of others, fear of not being loved back, fear of disappointment, fear of being hurt, fear of failing, and fear of judgment. At the heart of all this fear, is fear of man. If I continue to bring God into my world, I will always have all of these fears. I need to step into God's world and be humble, be united and be loved. My world is full of hatred and sin and it cultivates fear around every corner. I need to have the only remedy for fear of man, which is fear of God. My biggest struggle, will be my biggest victory here on earth."  
~ Crystal*

God is moving in each of these ladies lives, **please continue to keep them in your prayers**, tough and painful days are part of the recovery journey. Pray for our staff as well, that the Lord gives us all strength and wisdom to bring in the harvest!

**We invite you to consider becoming a Monthly Partner.** We are now in operation with a full program and staff team, increasing our monthly expenses. Please see response slip for details to learn how you can partner with us.

On a construction note, our first dorm is currently being drywalled. We are excited to have this completed late spring, giving opportunity to help more women seeking to find freedom from their addiction and life-controlling problems.

**Thank you** again for your investment into each of our lives here at New Life, we are sincerely grateful!

Blessings,

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