

Fall 2024

As we enter into the fall season, the leaves change to beautiful shades of red, orange and yellow, the daylight becomes shorter and the fields are harvested. It's the season of Thanksgiving and we at New Life have so much to be thankful for. We have been open a full year and could not be where we are today without the Lord's faithfulness and your love, prayers, encouragement, and support. So many people have poured into this ministry and it is a witness to the women who come through our doors seeking that safe place to find healing from the devastating affects of addiction and life-controlling problems. **Thank You! for being a part of the transformation in the life of another.**

On **November 2nd, Lord willing, we will celebrate our first graduation**. These four ladies are a witness to God's transforming power in a life surrendered to Him. Has it been an easy journey...no...but each one would tell you it's a journey well worth any of the *hard*. They know that when they face the *hard*, God steps in and molds them and makes them into the women of God He wants them to be. He has equipped them in each difficulty they have faced. They have learned to put their trust in Him, as He knows them best. They are a living testimony to the grace, mercy, and compassion of a God who redeems and restores.



"I am thankful for the community here at New Life and the women I've had the opportunity to grow and heal with. It's been such a blessing to live a life free of my addiction that used to hold me captive and I couldn't have done it without the Lord." ~ Brook

"I am so thankful that God has met me where I was and has brought me closer to Him. He has taught me that delight of depending on Him. I was spinning my wheels and exhausting myself trying to do the right thing, but now I have learned to give up striving and instead to die to self and let God do the work in me. I can do nothing if I depend on self and anything if it is Christ at work in me. It is the most freeing thing to serve my Master." ~ Rachel

"I am so thankful that the Lord opened up a door and brought me here to New Life. He brought me to a place where I can grow and heal in and through Him in a loving Christian community. It's only through His grace that I am saved and for that I'm so deeply blessed." ~ Alysha



"I am thankful that my life has been redeemed from the ashes, that God called me by name and I am His. I am a new creation created in Christ Jesus. I know my identity in Christ, that I am His beloved. I am thankful that I will never walk alone, that my strength comes from my Lord God. I trust that He will see me through all things. I am held in my Father's hands, He is molding and making me into a woman of God." ~ Brianna

Reflecting on this past year, it has truly been a blessing and honour for each of us as staff to be a part of the lives of the ladies who come here to find hope and healing. A journey of perseverance and commitment for all, that could never be done alone! Our hearts overflow with gratitude to you as a member of our supporting community and to our God who is more than able to set people free!

As new residents enter the program this fall, we so appreciate your ongoing prayers and support. These are women who have hit rock bottom, so tired of life, scared to believe it could ever change and yet they choose to take that step, daring to believe that maybe it could. We know and are a witness that it can, and it does. Praise God!

Join us in sharing this message of hope to those in the deepest of despair, *beccome a Champion for Change today!* Turn your gift into a monthly pledge with the accompanying response slip. Consistent monthly giving enables us to do the work we need to do, fulfilling the vision and mission the Lord has entrusted to all of us!

Many thanks and blessings,

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"Thanksgiving for me this year holds a deeper visceral meaning - 'LIFE'. It is a profound feeling of thankfulness to God for all He has done and continues to do in my life. I am thankful for the community at New Life and for the whole body of Christ, sharing wisdom and supporting one another in all ways; whether physically, emotionally, or spiritually. I am thankful for family restoration and for my extended family in the body of Christ. I am grateful to be free to serve a mighty God." ~ Crystal



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