

NEW LIFE NEWS

“FOR WITH GOD NOTHING WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE.” LUKE 1:37



MISSION TEAM SPOTLIGHT: REDLAND BAPTIST

In early April we welcomed a mission team from Redland Baptist Church in Georgia for the third year. This year the group brought fourteen, mostly youth-aged, individuals to serve at New Life Ministries.

When we have groups that come for multiple years, we sometimes wonder what makes them want to come back to Huntington, Indiana again and again. Garret Stout (the Youth Pastor at Redland Baptist) explained that there is a similarity in the passion for ministry. Redland Baptist Church has its own ministries back in Georgia, and when they visit New Life Ministries, they can see God moving and can see the similarities between our groups. “When we come it kind of feels like home, and we see the ministry putting faith in action,” shared Garrett.

Creston Hulett (an Associate Pastor at Redland Baptist) elaborated saying, “There is a same heartbeat, same presence of God, and same calling. This is the foundation of why we come.” He also went on to add, “A more practical reason is how the youth respond. Nothing seems to really grab them the same way as coming here to work with their hands all day and serving at the kitchen [Meal Ministry] ... and just from last year, we have seen the youth mature in their eagerness to want to work.”

Eager to work is a great way to describe this group! From the moment they arrived, they were busy working. The team served lunch and dinner at the Meal Ministry, landscaped the Life Houses, painted a few rooms, cleaned out the building at 246 E. Franklin Street, and much more.

This group from Redland Baptist Church continues to be a great blessing to New Life Ministries, and we are thankful to be able to serve alongside them. If you would like to hear more about this team and their experience, listen to Episode 83: Redland Baptist Church of the Kingdom Faith Podcast.

WILL YOU HELP THOSE AT THE CROSSROADS?

Will you donate to help New Life Ministries continue to serve those at the crossroads?

May is here and that means we are officially in our Spring Fundraising Drive! This spring, New Life Ministries is asking for your help to continue serving those in need of food, shelter, and a purpose-filled life. We are looking to raise \$75,000 to continue to help people at the crossroads thanks to the ministries God has blessed us with.

To help us reach our goal, we first invite you to attend our Spring Banquet. It costs \$40 per person to attend, enjoy a meal, celebrate all that has already been accomplished, and learn how you can positively impact the community. Reserve your seat today to attend the Spring Banquet on May 18 at 2023spring.givesmart.com.

If you cannot attend but would still like to help, you can donate towards our Spring Drive happening May 1-31, 2023. Mail checks to New Life Ministries, 313 E. Franklin St., Huntington, IN 46750, and memo them 'Spring Drive' or visit fundraise.givesmart.com/form/CqtujQ. Thank you for your generosity!



LIFE HOUSE GRADUATION: JEFF



On Sunday, April 23, we celebrated our first Life House Graduation of 2023! Congratulations to Jeff for graduating from the Men's Life House.

Jeff entered the Men's Life House in October 2022 when he was not in the best place. "I wasn't doing well and was having trouble quitting drugs on my own. I started to struggle with paying rent and ended up talking to Bob (Director of the Meal Ministry)," Jeff shared. "Bob told me about the Men's Life House. I honestly felt drawn to the house."

While in the house, Jeff worked hard. He began attending the required classes for the program and putting in the work to make the changes he needed to make. He is not the same person he was when he first entered the house. "Life is calmer, and my head is more clear now. I do not have that urge to use drugs and alcohol anymore," Jeff said with a smile.

There is still plenty to celebrate for Jeff too. He has decided to join the new praise band at New Life Fellowship Church and will be playing bass. He has also moved into his own apartment and will be celebrating two years at his job. We are proud of Jeff and the changes he has already made, and we are excited to see how he continues to grow as a person.

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