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*Helping the Hurting and the
Homeless
in the Name of Jesus Christ*

Where did our summer go? We have had had quite a busy summer as I'm sure you all have experienced as well. Our families have been home from school, we have gone on a mission trip to a far away country and our staff has taken vacations. One thing for sure, we always keep the fire burning here at the Rescue Mission. I am always proud of the fact that we are never closed. **We are available 24/7, holidays and even blizzards.** Ministry is happening and there are with many opportunities to share the Gospel. **2 Timothy 2:15 "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth".**

One of the biggest blessings that George and I received from our Savior was New Life. Our old life was enslaved in addiction and darkness. As we surrendered our lives to Christ, this all took on so much meaning in our life. It is such a privilege to come along side our ministry team and breathe this in to our Disciples that are working through our **New Life Program**. I keep remembering the restoration that took place in putting our family back together. We were adopted into God's family and made alive in Christ.

Our disciples have a desire to change their old lives and are committed to living new lives in Christ. I am so proud of our men and ladies who have been working so hard in this. I have a young lady who is in our final phase of the program who after a few months into her classes came and told me she "Loves God". She finally realized her love for Him after recognizing that He sent His son to seek and save her from her sins and she now feels His love so deeply for her.

Just this month I had the honor to go on a Mission trip with one of my disciple girls. Her heart is so full of love to share the Gospel and she was able to step out of her comfort zone and do just that. She has been in the program before and some might call her a repeat offender but I know in my heart, this time she is here for the long haul and has found victory.

I have a single mom raising her young son in God's truth and giving him a chance to grow in a loving, caring environment and she also is applying Gods word to her life daily. **Ephesians 5:8 "For you were formerly darkness, but now you are light in the Lord, walk as children of the Lord".**

He brought me out into a broad place; He rescued me, because He delighted in me. 2 Sam. 22:20 ESV

I am so in awe as I witness the developing work ethic that is taking place on our campus. Our disciples are in charge of many areas of operation that keep us going from day to day. They do everything from cooking and preparing meals, to organizing household items and sorting clothing donations. We are equipping them to be in the workforce once again by training them in this way. In our dining room ministry we are preparing meals for the masses. We are teaching our disciples to be good stewards with all the provisions that God is sending to our kitchen. At this time we are enjoying all the fresh produce that is coming.

We are fast approaching our **12th Annual Book Sale** at the Sunset Plaza Mall. It is going to be bigger than ever. We are so appreciative of all the books that come in all year round for this event. It is a lot of hard work but we are partnering with many who help us put it all together. Our book sale this year is **August 23rd through the 25th**. Please be praying for our efforts.

As many of you know I think about our **Rescue Mission Banquet** all year round, and this year is no different. This will be our **24th year** and our banquet is on **Nov 7th**. More details will be coming in the following months.

We are also excited to announce the beginning of renovation in our old mission building into a **Family Ministry** building. It will have several family rooms available and programs to help them in many areas to get back on their feet. Family is important, as I am sure you're well aware and putting a broken family on a solid foundation and giving them hope and guidance is what we are called to do. This is going to be a very exciting opportunity for you to help and partner with us.

We covet your prayers for our finances that allow us to keep our ministry going. Without your generosity we could not keep our doors open and share the Gospel. We are so thankful that you believe in what we do and for your faithful giving that enables us to open our doors and share with many the Love of our Savior. Through His Grace and Mercy, lives can be changed. That is our hope always.

In His Name,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Roxann Fox', written in a cursive style.

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