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

Fall is a wonderful time of the year! As the temperatures begin to drop, we exchange our T-shirts and shorts for jackets and gloves. The cooler weather also means warm nights inside with a nice cup of hot chocolate or coffee. Fall has certainly come here at the Norfolk Rescue Mission too. You know that Fall is officially here when chili and cinnamon rolls begin to be served for supper. Another sure sign is the preparations for the **upcoming banquet on Thursday, November 7**<sup>th</sup>. One thing that remains constant year-round is the ongoing needs of those who come to the Mission. Let me share with you three things that are a great need now.

First is the large increase in our attendance at meals and for assistance. The Mission helps with food, clothing, furniture and other household items from our Donation Shed. The only requirement for assistance is to attend a chapel service here so that those requesting assistance can hear the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ. In addition to this, all our meals here are open to the public. Breakfast, lunch and supper have all seen big jumps in attendance. This means that we need food and help to cook and serve the food. If you can donate food or if you have a desire to help with the preparation and/or serving of a meal, please let us know!

Second is a need for men to help here at the Mission. We welcome all volunteers, but there is a great need now for men specifically to help. We are looking for a full time Evening Chaplain. We have been without this critical position for a long time now. Various other staff have been filling in and taking parts of the job, but it is difficult for all involved and leaves us short in other areas of the ministry. Please pray that we will be able to fill this position quickly. (If you are interested, please contact us!) We are also lacking in men to help fill in on the evening shift on occasion. We have a few very faithful men that are able from time to time to help when there is a need due to illness or vacation. We would love to have a larger group of men to call when the need arises. Lastly, we would love to see more men volunteer to lead a chapel service once a month. This is a great opportunity to share the gospel and directly minister to the guests that are here.

Third is our upcoming 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Banquet on Thursday, November 7 at 6:30pm. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and a great opportunity to support the Mission while enjoying a great meal and a powerful speaker. Our speaker this year is Oscar Navarro of Living Waters. (The evangelistic ministry of Ray Comfort) Tickets are \$30 and are available at the Mission. Please call 402-371-6484 or stop by the office to purchase your tickets. We hope to see you there!

Please continue to pray for the ministry of the Norfolk Rescue Mission! **Pray for the guests and visitors, that they will hear and receive the gospel**. Pray for the staff, that we would be faithful in ministering to those in need. Pray too that God will continue to bless our efforts here by providing the food, clothes, money and other resources.

For His Glory,

Pastor Justin Fisher
Director of Men's Ministries