



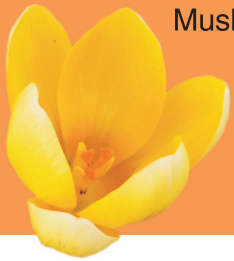
Adult & Teen Challenge Western Michigan

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Springtime is upon us! What a wonderful time of year where we see the creation around us beginning to be new. The Lord has given us, here at Western Michigan Adult and Teen Challenge, the opportunity to work with people who are willing to surrender their heart to the Lord and live a new life of freedom. It is so wonderful to see our students embrace their new life in Christ and see them continue to spiritually grow. 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

Jail ministry is something that has always been close to our heart. There are many lost and hurting people who find themselves incarcerated. Their lives are broken and their hearts are crying out for help and a new life. We know that, "He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds." Psalm 147:3. And the writer of Hebrews says in 13:3, "Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body." We are thankful to be working with the Muskegon County jail as well as those in surrounding counties, to minister to these broken-hearted individuals and point them to Christ, who will restore their lives. We are able to conduct video interviews with those who are interested in Teen Challenge to minister to them and help them through the intake process so that they can enter our ministry upon release.



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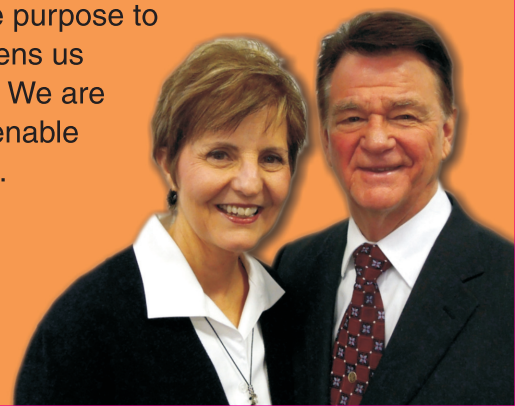
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Missy Snyder graduated 5 years ago this month and serves on staff with us. She was recently given a wonderful opportunity to share with her hometown community what the Lord has done in her life. A news report was given about the overdose rate. This broke her heart to see such an alarming overdose rate in the community in which she was raised. With The Lord's leading she emailed the news station and shared her desperate cry for the people of her community and shared her testimony of how the Lord changed her life through Teen Challenge. A reporter responded to her and invited her to share that testimony on air. What an amazing thing to see how the Lord is using those who were once, as Missy says, "busted and disgusted" and now are serving the Lord and winning souls to the kingdom! You can watch the full news segment by going to our website wm-tc.com/special-feature.



We are so thankful for what the Lord is doing in our staff and students. We purpose to keep moving forward in the ministry and in doing God's work. He strengthens us daily! Please continue to pray for us as we minister to the lost and broken. We are blessed by your financial support. Please pray that the Lord continues to enable your giving. We pray for you also that the Lord blesses you and keeps you.

With love and prayers,
Phil and Michelle McClain
Director



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Josh Griffith is the assistant to our Men's Director. In the 3½ years that Josh has served in our ministry, He has seen the Lord work in a tremendous way in His life. Two years ago Josh received a debilitating diagnosis. The doctors did not expect Josh to be able to live. However, through the healing power of our Lord he was healed and lives a healthy life today! Josh says, "I desperately need the Holy Spirit every day. I need him to speak and show me how to pray, teach, and love my brothers here. Everyday God will show me guys who are needing encouragement and prayer. I have to be totally reliant on The Holy Spirit to guide me each day as I teach, preach and listen to a brother who is struggling." Genesis 50:20 "God turns what the enemy meant for evil into good!" We are so thankful for God's work in Josh's life and how the Lord is using Him.



Hello, my name is **LaVaun Hanes**, a servant of the Lord Jesus, and a graduate of Western Michigan Adult and Teen Challenge. I have been serving Christ on staff now for over two years, have worked in various roles, and am currently serving as the Intake Coordinator. It is such an overwhelming privilege to serve our Savior here at this Adult & Teen Challenge. I have grown a lot as a staff member, and I am learning how to lean on our Lord Jesus for every situation. We see firsthand God's love and power as He brings life to those that are broken and hurting. We witness the changes that take place in the hearts and lives of the students throughout their year here – it is truly nothing short of amazing grace! By God's grace we will work as hard and as loving as we can for "the night cometh, when no man can work". John 9:4b

