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Dear Friends,

The Psalmist said in Psalms 37:25 **“I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His seed begging bread.”** This verse shows the faithfulness of God to His people. Heb. 13:5 says **“for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.”** I am sure all Christians go through some hard times; but, God has never forsaken us, nor left us. He is **“that friend that sticketh closer than a brother.”** Prov. 18:24. Not only will God show Himself faithful to you and me; but, He is showing Himself faithful to all the men and women in the program of Teen Challenge. God takes the most complicated situations in their lives and brings a solution and peace. He surely calms the storms in their lives. Thank God for His faithfulness. There is not one problem that He cannot solve. Let's keep our faith in Him and trust Him to meet all of our needs. And don't forget, keep praising Him. **“In everything give thanks.”** II Thes. 5:18.

## UPDATES

We were able to get our **parking lots** and driveways repaired. Some places we had to get new asphalt put down and other places we had to get the cracks filled and top-coated. Looks fresh and new. We recently finished up totally **remodeling seven dormitories** at the men's center. Much needed! Looks very nice.

## UPCOMING FALL FUNDRAISING BANQUETS

### GRAND RAPIDS

First Assembly of God Church Gymnasium  
2100 44th Street  
Wyoming, MI  
Thursday, October 10  
6:30 p.m. (Doors will open at 6:00 p.m.)

### MUSKEGON

Maranatha Bible Conference Grounds  
4759 Lake Harbor Road  
Norton Shores, MI  
Thursday, October 24  
6:30 p.m. (Doors will open at 6:00 p.m.)

Reservations are needed. RSVP to Nikki at 231.798.7927.

Michelle and I look forward to seeing you at one of these banquets.

## CHRISTMAS BANQUET



Beachwood Reformed Church  
895 Ottawa Beach Road  
Holland, MI 49424  
Thursday, December 5, 2019

6:30 p.m. (Doors will open at 6:00 p.m.)



All of you who can, please attend. Call Nikki at 231.798.7927 for reservations. Please invite others to come with you.

## OCTOBER GRADUATES



**Brianna Criswell:** My parents divorced when I was young. I started smoking, drinking and doing drugs by the age of 12. Since age 15 I have been in and out of jail. When my son was taken from me 3 years ago, I tried to get clean on my own. But it was never good enough. I was arrested yet again. For the first time in my life I cried out to God with all my

heart. Here at Teen Challenge I gave my life to Christ. I gave Him all my problems and mistakes. He has changed me from someone who sold my body and drugs to someone who just wants to show people Jesus. I've been 100% cured from Hep-C without treatment, and I get my son back when I get home. It's all because I gave my heart to Jesus and surrendered what I want for what He wants.



**Christian Barnes:** All my life I've sought more. More money, more experiences, more people, more drugs. The problem with seeking more is that everything in life only brings about a temporary satisfaction. Whether it was work, traveling, relationships, parties, or using, every high I experienced would just bring me to a lower low. Depression and

feeling lost without purpose consumed my life, and it wasn't until I experienced Jesus here at Teen Challenge that my soul finally found the satisfaction it was seeking - the satisfaction of a relationship with Christ. **“Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” John 8:32.**

Michelle and I extend our love to you on our mailing list, and we thank God for each of you. We will continue to remember you in our prayers. Thank you for your faithful prayer support for us and your giving to this ministry. Again, we love and appreciate you. God bless!

Yours in Christ for the  
Sake of the Gospel,  
Phil & Michelle McClain  
Director

