

Dear Friends,

As I reflect on the goodness of God over the last 47 years of ministry with Western Michigan Teen Challenge, I am absolutely amazed.

- He has faithfully met our needs.
- He has stood with us in hard times and good times.
- He has delivered drug addicts and alcoholics by the hundreds, even thousands, now.
- He has truly been that friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

Upcoming Fundraising Banquet

Muskegon Banquet

April 20, 2017 at 6:30 pm
Doors open at 6:00 pm
Maranatha Bible and Missionary Conference
4759 Lake Harbor Road
Norton Shores, Michigan

We invite you to join us at one of these events. Please consider helping us fill tables with friends and family who can be financial blessings to the ministry. We appreciate you and hope to see you there! R.S.V.P. to Brenna at 231-798-7927.

Clarification

To eliminate confusion, let me clarify a matter.

There have been many inquiries as to Western Michigan Teen Challenge raising finances at various store fronts and shopping centers, etc. Western Michigan Teen Challenge does NOT raise finances in this manner. For 47 years plus, God has been faithful to supply all our needs through generous contributions from private individuals, families, businesses and churches.

Through much prayer and faith, God has fulfilled His promise. Phil. 4:19-20, "But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Now unto God and our Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen." I hope this brings clarity to our position. Thank you.

Now, onward to the task that is before us of sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with the hurting and broken. The desperate keep coming into the program. Sometimes 2-5 people daily. As they go through withdrawal and receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, He always comes through with a miracle. For many, this is the first time in their lives they have hope. Thank God!

These two testimonies are a great encouragement...

My name is Travis Robert Cooper. I am 35 years old from Grandville, MI. Everything I thought about life, was wrong. I searched for fulfillment in everything of the world. At a young age, I felt empty and started to look for something! Relationships left me empty. Drugs and alcohol helped me fit in and feel good for a short season, but in the end, they just controlled me and were literally killing me. Through years of searching, I found jails, prison, hospitals, and most of all, a broken heart. I did not love myself or the person I had become. Alcohol made me make poor decisions. Cocaine took every penny I ever earned. Heroin made me steal to feed my addiction. Meth made me crazy. Nothing I tried worked. God used Teen Challenge to wake me up. I now have my first love back. I dedicate my life to the Most High God. I am filled today and can overflow on to others. God is Love! There is power in the blood!



Hi, my name is Melissa Snyder and I'm 30 years old from Wheeling, WV. I grew up in a home where drugs and alcohol were very prevalent. The side effects of addiction were horrendous, but it didn't deter me from becoming an addict myself. In high school, I began to attend weekend rendezvous with people that I felt loved and accepted by. Little did I know, those rendezvous would make me become the person I didn't want to be, doing the very things I told myself I would never do. When I walked into the doors at Teen Challenge, I was just another helpless, hopeless, broken, lost, angry, hateful, oppressed and depressed junky who was content with being an addict. But the Lord had different plans for my life. He has healed my body, renewed my mind, and transformed my life! He redeemed my life from the hands of Satan. I am no longer a slave to sin, but a servant of God! "For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope." ~Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT) I have hope for a better future, because I have a Savior that is Lord of my life! Praise God!

We are still moving forward at the men's center where we are remodeling seven dormitories (23'x33'). Ken, Greg and the guys are doing an excellent job. Plus, we were able to get new beds and dressers - much needed!

While we have much to do, the most important is to bring Jesus to the hurting...those addicted to drugs and alcohol. They are being rooted and grounded in Jesus Christ and look forward to a bright future in Him. Thank you for helping us help them. Your prayers and monthly financial support are deeply appreciated and needed. Thank you so much.

Michelle and I and all the staff love you dearly. May God bless you, your families and loved ones.

In Christ's Service,
Phil and Michelle McClain

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