

WESTERN MICHIGAN TEEN CHALLENGE

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Dear Friends,

Heb. 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever." Jesus is the same saving and healing Jesus today as He was 2000 years ago when He walked the face of the earth. He is the same miracle worker. Jesus said in the Gospel of Mark 11:24, "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." In 1st John 5:14-15 the scripture says, "And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us: And if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desire of Him." Maybe you're like the rest of us... maybe you have some need in your life, or perhaps you need a miracle. Let's bring that need to the Lord right now in prayer and believe Him to work a miracle. He is a prayer-answering God and the days of miracles are not over. Eph. 3:20 says that God is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think. I have already prayed for you, and asked God to meet your need or perform the miracle that is needed in your life. I am standing with you in faith. Let us praise Him for what He has already done and for what He is going to do. Heb. 13:15 says, "By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His name."

GRADUATES



SAM COOK

Hi, my name is Sam Cook. I'm 22 years old, and I'm from Grandville, Michigan. The party lifestyle and drugs like marijuana, cocaine, ecstasy and LSD were all I knew and all I cared about

for years. This lifestyle led to job losses, and many legal problems. But thank God, He never abandoned me, and now He is giving me the ability to live for Him with victory! **Psalms 66:20 - Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld His love from me.**



PATRICK WILKINS

Hi, my name is Patrick Wilkins. I am 22 years old from Owosso, Michigan.

Trying to fit in, I began living the party life, which lead to three years of heroin addiction. I got in trouble with the law, and they sent me to Western Michigan Teen Challenge. I have never been to a place where everyone loves you and cares about you.



HAMPTON HUDSON

My name is Hampton Hudson. I'm 26 years old from Little Rock, Arkansas. Before I came to Teen Challenge I was in bondage... a slave to alcohol, and 100% spiritually and physically dead. It felt like I was standing on a cliff and I had two choices, one was death and the other was to get right with God. These past months the Lord has broken every chain of addiction and has restored me both spiritually and physically and given me hope for the future. **Psalm 40:2 - He brought me up out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a solid rock and established my goings.** I give Him all the honor and praise for what He's doing in my life!

When I was young I was abused, which led me to abuse others including myself. Finally, methamphetamine and violence consumed my life and the lives of those around me. When everything was gone, including my hope, God called me to come to Teen challenge. Now, thanks to the blood of Christ, I'm able to understand love and extend it to others. In this I am encouraged to continue to seek Christ. My life will never be the same!



SHAWN ROSENDAHL



NICHOLAS HONEYCUTT

My name is Nicholas Honeycutt. I'm 25 years old and I'm from Detroit, Michigan. I spent over 8 years of my life addicted to pain pills and, actually, all pills in general. I found it impossible to obey and serve the Lord with consistency. I thought I was doomed to be that second or third type of soil in the parable of The Sower found in Luke 8:4-15. I finally feel that I'm becoming the fourth type of soil and I'm producing real spiritual fruit. The verse I stand on is **Psalm 25:7 - Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for You are good, O Lord.**

You Are Invited UPCOMING SPRING FUNDRAISING BANQUETS

Muskegon Banquet

March 22, 2012 at 7:00 pm
Maranatha Bible Conference Grounds
4759 Lake Harbor Road

Grand Rapids Banquet

April 19, 2012 at 7:00 pm
First Assembly of God
2100 Forty-Fourth Street

Begin to invite guests now and phone in your reservations. If possible, fill a table of eight people or more. It will be an evening of great food, fellowship, student testimonies and inspiring music. Doors open at 6:30 pm and dinner will be served at 7:00 pm. Adults only. We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you there. R.S.V.P. to Cindy at 231.798.7927.

Here at Teen Challenge the needs in the lives of the students are great. The students and we staff are ever praying and seeking God in their behalf, as well as for our own needs. God is answering prayer, and there is continual thanksgiving and praise to His name for who He is, and His many answers to prayer. God is worthy, His name be praised. God is going to take care of you and all your needs as well. He is faithful.

Thank you for standing with us in prayer for this ministry and the financial needs. Your financial gifts are such a blessing to us and greatly needed. Thank you for your faithfulness. Thank God for the addicts and alcoholics who are being delivered and set free on a continual basis through Jesus Christ our Lord. Paul the apostle said in Col. 1:14, "We have redemption (deliverance and freedom) through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins." We love you dearly, and Phil. 1:3 says, "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you." Be blessed!

Pat & Michelle Melvin

