



Roseburg Rescue Mission

*A Beacon of Hope
for the Homeless*

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Rebel Surrendered

Regina and Jonathan entered our Samaritan Inn against their will, as a legal requirement from her parole officer. All things considered, Jonathan adapted much easier. He had his mother and his basic needs met. The school bus picked him up and dropped this five-year-old off for kindergarten right in front of his new, temporary home. In the photo, he is showing off his school backpack. Children generally arrive at the shelter without proper school supplies; donations are needed.

Regina had a more difficult time adjusting. She said, "I fought Samaritan Inn, because I thought I was above a homeless shelter. I wanted to be with family and friends, but they were a bad influence. I came in with an attitude, scared of people, not knowing what to do. I never lived sober as an adult, afraid of responsibility and whether I could handle it. I was mad at the 6am morning wake up and having to do a chore too! They expected too much out of me, but in reality, not. The first three days, I cried. Called everybody I knew to just get me out of here. Told Carolyn (Manager) to just kick me out. She was really nice, eventhough, I was really a brat. Started to get to know some of the girls. Carolyn was my main support, always asking how I was doing and caring for my son. I settled into Samaritan Inn's routine and motivation."

As it turns out, Regina was fighting more than a homeless shelter, she was fighting God. She said, "I thought it was God's fault, that at 14-years-old, a person close in my life started me on drugs. And that I lost my youngest child. If God had cared, He would not have let those things happen. I hated going to chapel and devotions at first, but it grew on me, started making sense. I listened to Vicki (Staff), she said it in ways I could understand. I made a connection with evening chapel volunteers." One evening in chapel, Regina was not paying attention. Suddenly, women around her were raising their hands. So as not to look out of place, she raised her hand as well. She had unknowingly answered an altar call and before she knew it, she was up front with hands being laid on her and prayers being made. She was not there accepting the Lord, but she certainly knew the conviction upon her. Later that night in their private,



School Supplies Needed

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| Children's Backpacks | Facial Tissue |
| Kindergarten Backpacks | Fiskar Scissors |
| Zippered Pencil Pouches | Protractor |
| Watercolor Paint Sets | Rulers |
| 8-10 oz Hand Sanitizer | Highlighters |
| Hand-held Pencil Sharpener | Erasers |
| #2 Ticonderoga Pencils | Colored Pencils |
| Pencil Top Erasers | Glue Sticks |
| Peechee Folders | 4oz Glue |
| Notebook Paper College Rule | Color Crayons |
| Spiral Notebooks Wide Rule | Supply Box |
| 3-Ring Tab Dividers | Black Pens |
| Scientific Calculators | 2" Binders |
| Certificates For Shoes | Felt Markers |

family bedroom, Regina sat up in bed to read the Bible with a borrowed flashlight from her son. She read, "It is better to listen to the rebuke of a wise man, than for one to listen to the song of fools." Ecclesiastes 7:5. She prayed, "What do you want from me? Jesus, I want you in my life, I want to live the right way." The rebel had surrendered. She said, "I was afraid I would just be a dull Christian. But, I asked Vicki a lot of questions, she interacts well. Carolyn always talked to me, she was awesome. I'm still going to church on my own. Samaritan Inn really helped make the biggest difference. It brought God into my life, helped me to live, brought real love into my life, gave me the will to succeed."



Free Style

Sue is a homeless veteran at our Samaritan Inn. She is receiving a personal touch, a haircut and style. A healthy self-image is so important, especially when so many things in life around being homeless are not right. It added to her hopefulness, feeling better and knowing people really do care for her.

Debbie is a volunteer hairstylist and Bible Study teacher. She receives as much or more than she gives.

Dear Friends,

Last month, I wrote about four projects we are working on. The property we are in the process of buying is on hold, waiting for liens to clear. As I write, the City of Roseburg is mailing letters to our neighbors about the expansion of our Chapel, Dayroom and Dining Room. If there are no objections, we should receive the Conditional Use Permit soon. Our Mission history project is very close to being done. And our website is now available. Online financial donations can now be given to the Mission. Information about Mission services and our monthly newsletter is on our website.



Thank you,
Lynn Antis
Executive
Director

NEW! We Now Have a WEBSITE
www.roseburgrescuemission.org

Chapel Volunteers - August 2011

6:30 PM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Life Christian Center	2 Melrose Community Church	3 James Witt	4 Grace Presbyterian Church	5 North Roseburg Free Evangelical	6 Wellsprings Bible Fellowship
7 Bible Holiness Church	8 Sutherlin Christian Assembly	9 Church of God of Prophecy	10 James Witt	11 Yoncalla Christian Assembly	12 Roseburg Christian Fellowship	13 New Beginnings
14 Grace Presbyterian	15 North Roseburg Free Evangelical	16 Hucrest Community Church	17 James Witt	18 Bible Holiness Church	19 Old Fashioned Baptist	20 First Christian Church
21 New Life Christian Center	22 Linda Swift	23 Winston Assembly of God	24 James Witt	25 Tri City Baptist Church	26 John & Robin Prather	27 Redeemer's Christian Fellowship
28 Linda Swift	29 Winston Mennonite	30 Ed Koyle	31 James Witt			

**"I have spread out
My hands all day long
to a rebellious people,
who walk in the way
which is not good,
following their own
thoughts." Isaiah 65:2**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Daily Averages
for June 2011**

Chapel, Bible Study: 96

Meals: 234

Beds: 118

Voucher Items

Clothing: 1421

Household: 190

Furniture: 18

**Remember the
Mission in your
Estate Planning**