

January 2020

"But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength ... " -Isaiah 40:31

## Rebuilding the Lives of Homeless Men One Precious Soul at a Time

# A Message from our director:

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end;

23 they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness, "therefore I will hope in Him." Lamentations 3:22-24



Dear Friends in Christ,

The year of 2019 has been an historic one at Calvary Rescue Mission.

Because of His great faithfulness, and yours, we spent our first full year in a beautiful new facility, debt free! We have been able to minister to over twice as many men in more ways than ever before. At Calvary, men are being saved, discipled, and trained. Men are celebrating recovery, receiving medical and dental care and attending onsite employment fairs and obtaining good jobs. Our hope is in the Lord and we believe that He will make 2020 even better! Thank you for your faithfulness to pray, give, and volunteer at Calvary **Rescue Mission**.

Burdens are truly lifted at Calvary!

**Bob Freudiger**, Executive Director

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# December 2019 Luncheon ...

















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## **BETTER PREPARED ... BY DENNIS RUTLEDGE**

Have you ever been in a situation where you felt absolutely helpless? If you have ever been around a friend or family member experiencing a severe medical emergency and there is nothing or no one there to help, you know that feeling well.

We occasionally have someone at the mission experience a medical emergency. Being in Memphis there are ambulances and paramedics all

> around us and they arrive as quickly as they can. They usually arrive in just a few minutes of our call for help, but in cases of an overdose or a heart attack, seconds can make a huge difference in making a full recovery. And when you don't have the right tools available two minutes seems like two hours.

> > We have been so blessed recently to add to our arsenal of tools to help protect our men. Our grant request for an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) was turned down, but we had two great friends of Calvary

provide the amount needed to buy one. Then, we had another great friend offer to provide CPR and AED training for all of our staff members at no cost to us. An additional tool provided by another great friend are several Opioid Overdose Reversal Kits that are now strategically located around the building. Should a client exhibit the signs and symptoms of having overdosed, our entire staff has been trained on when and how to administer the lifesaving medicine and they have the kits readily available.

We pray that we never have to use these tools, but we have them available if needed.



Needs: HE laundry detergent, Cleaning Supplies and Pants in sizes: 32, 34, and 36.

**Praises:** The Lord continues to bless us daily, and provide for our every need. Thank each and every one of you that have given of Your Time (Volunteering), Your Prayers, and Your Donations. Because of each of you, we were able to give the Clients as well as the Neighborhood Children a Wonderful time of Celebration for Jesus' Birth!

**PLEASE NOTE**: FOR YOUR DONATIONS TO COUNT AS A 2019 DONATION, THE ENVELOPE MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MIDNIGHT DECEMBER 31, 2019, OR ENTERED THROUGH THE WEBSITE WITH YOUR CREDIT CARD INFORMATION <u>BEFORE MIDNIGHT</u> ON THE 31ST OF DECEMBER.



# NEEDS & PRAISES



## **MEMORIAL or HONORARIUM**

Would you like to make a donation to either our Operating Fund or Building Fund in memory of a loved one, or in honor of someone. You can fill out the information and send with your donation in the enclosed envelope. Please contact: hatcherbetty@outlook.com

#### IN HONOR OF or IN MEMORY OF \_

Send acknowledgement to:
(relationship to person)
Address to send acknowledgement::_

# <u>A word from Betty Hatcher ...</u>



<u>Two ways You can help Increase</u> Our Operational Fund - register Your Kroger Rewards Card at <u>Kroger.com.communityrewards. Our</u> <u>No. is XV227</u>, We have found that you need to renew you Kroger reward card each year, it does Not carry over to 2019 if you signed up in 2018. Received \$464.23

If you Shop on **AMAZON** Please Remember to shop on AmazonSmile - enter <u>http://smile.amazon.com/ch/62-</u> <u>0815254</u> Received \$44.75



Want to become a Chicken Champion?

We are looking for

people who are willing to donate \$250.00 which covers the cost of the chicken for our monthly business luncheons. Chicken Champions: John & Inez Poague, Bill & Marsha Thompson, and Bruce Brooke. We will have a Chicken Pin for you. Receipts for the December Luncheon were \$3,573.00.

#### **Upcoming Luncheon Speakers**

Feb. 4	Craig Martins
Mar. 3	TBA
April 7	Open House

"My GOD shall supply ALL your needs according to HIS riches in glory in Christ Jesus!" Philippians 4:19

As the New Year begins, we look back at God's faithfulness to Calvary Rescue Mission this past year. We have been in our new building a little over a year now and our number of clients has more than doubled. Many nights we are near capacity. We are so thankful as this gives us the opportunity to share Jesus' love and salvation with so many more men than ever before. We are no longer able to have our nightly services in our chapel as it will not hold the number of men staying with us. Please pray for the funds for a larger chapel, as well as God's direction as to whether we begin raising funds to move into Phase II of our building program. This would give us two more dormitories with room for an additional 50 men. Men consistently stop me in the hallway or court yard to tell me how they love staying at Calvary— the home like atmosphere—being treated with love and respect—the opportunities to get jobs and get out on their own. We are so thankful for our wonderful, faithful employees who consider this a calling rather than a job they are doing.

We are truly blessed to be helping those that many call outcasts, but we know that Jesus said if we help them, we are doing it unto Him. That is my heart's desire to love these men, for them to see Jesus as we minister to them. The only way we are able to do this is with your prayers and financial help.

God bless you and give you a Blessed New Year!

### Chicken Luncheon - Tuesday, Jan. 7th - 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Come join us for our Business Luncheon!! Robert's Fried Chicken and all the Fixings!! We will have Awesome Speaker with us on Tuesday, January 7, 2020!

Toby Stone, a Florida native, was a man who early in life lost his way and became aggressive,, abusive and addicted to and towards the things of this world which eventually lead him to be incarcerated for two years. It was in that time he found forgiveness, freedom and salvation through Jesus Christ. He began reading the scriptures and learning the truth of God's Word which changed his life, and its

learning the truth of God's Word which changed his life, and its direction. After being released from prison he moved to the Memphis area in 2008 to begin his seminary studies at Mid America Baptist Theological Seminary, in Cordova, TN. During this time, he served in Ministry at First Baptist Church Fisherville, where he met and married his wife, Mary in 2010. Toby graduated from MABTS in 2011 with an Associate of Divinity, and in 2013 a Bachelor of Arts in Christian Studies. He is currently working towards a Master of Theology and Biblical Counseling. He has pastored tow churches as senior pastor the second of which in now a brand new church plant in Rossville, TN.

VIDEOS OF BUSINESS LUNCHEONS: At our November luncheon we began videoing the entire luncheon so that those who cannot attend, but want to hear the music and testimonies can watch at their convenience. These videos are also available to those who attend and want to have a copy of the program. These can be ordered at the luncheon, by mail or through our website. For \$15 you can get everything from the luncheon except the wonderful meal. Please specify month and year, but November 2019 is the first one available.

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For a Total of \$	Enclose	d is my first	payment of \$	I want to make a One Time Donation of \$

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