



PROVIDENCE HOME

Christ-Centered Transitional Ministry for Men

FOR OUR MINISTRY PARTNERS AND FRIENDS

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the new
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MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Because of our generous ministry partners, we are very excited about seeing the physical upgrades currently happening on our campus. Our plans are to celebrate and dedicate to God our new dormitory in August, possibly by the time you receive this! Besides the new dorm, we now have plans for our cafeteria extension and a brand-new chapel.

However, **NOTHING** compares to seeing the transformation of our residents when they appropriate the divine love relationship with their Savior and experience wholesome human relationships, some for the first time! Again, we are extremely grateful for all our donors and volunteers. Let us all praise God for His presence on our campus and pray that He remains our first priority!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rob Settle".

Rob Settle, Executive Director

EXCITING TIMES!

The ministry of Providence Home is based on the truth of God's word, as it declares His love gift of Christ to our men. What a privilege we have as staff in sharing the grace of Jesus, that provides needed hope, complete forgiveness, and eternal reconciliation!

donor HIGHLIGHT

Tim and Amy Schneider are treasured members of the Providence Home family! They are part of our Monthly Giving Community and regular volunteers in our meal program.

"We support Providence Home by serving meals through our local church and with monthly financial contributions. There is a genuineness about Providence Home, a real feeling you get from the men and the staff, that makes you feel at home. No doubt God is working in and through the Providence Home. It's a blessing and pleasure to be a part of this amazing ministry that truly transforms lives."

Tim, Amy and Holton



meet JOHNNIE



Johnnie grew up in Red Bank, South Carolina. As a child Johnnie, enjoyed dirt bikes and football, but his homelife was far from normal. Johnnie grew up with an abusive father. He never knew when his father would binge drink and take it out on his family. Soon Johnnie began to follow his father's unhealthy patterns. At the age of 21 he started his own family.

However, Johnnie's drinking turned into taking drugs and thrill seeking. Soon, the addiction began to take over his life and all he could think of was the next high. There was no room in Johnnie's life for family, work or friends.

Johnnie was trapped in an endless cycle. His addiction was suffocating him and soon the highs were not so high anymore. His life was empty, and he felt worthless. He had lost everything, and he contemplated ending the pain and

desperation by taking his own life.

But then he met Bobby Brazell who told him about Providence Home. Donations from people like you saved Johnnie's life, gave him hope and even more. The generosity of others allowed Johnnie to hear the gospel and surrender his life to Jesus. Soon the light of God's word and his new relationship with Jesus began to loosen the cords of addiction from his life.

Because of people like you, Johnnie was able to take his first steps towards a sober life. One day at a time, the years that had been destroyed by addiction were restored and redeemed. Now, Johnnie is one of those supportive relationships to new men who come to Providence Home. Your gifts gave Johnnie more than a second chance. Your generosity gave him a new life!

HOPE AND A NEW HOME

While serving a 9-year sentence in prison, Patrick started a new life-giving relationship with Jesus. He heard about Providence Home through the prison chaplain and applied to join our family. Patrick is completing his 180-day pre-release program through the South Carolina correctional system and is eager to move into Providence Home to start his new life. He wants a place that will help him get back on his feet AND nurture his new faith.

Thanks to the generous gifts of people like you, Providence Home is established on the Biblical belief that all people are made in God's image with inherent dignity and potential. We take a restorative

approach to those affected by incarceration. Because of your support, Patrick will be released to Providence Home where he will find a safe and stable place to live, three meals a day, and a community dedicated to helping him grow in his walk with Christ.

In the short term, it will take weeks for Patrick to get a new ID and social security card. He will take the initial steps of job skill assessment and writing a new resume with the assistance of one of our employment partners. As he applies for work and interviews with potential employers, Patrick, and men like him, need sponsors to stand in the gap for him as he



gets established. Your gifts make it possible for men like Patrick to take those first challenging steps with confidence.

**Name and photo represent a typical candidate for residency from the Department of Corrections. Each month, we welcome inmates who are a good match for our ministry at Providence Home.*

volunteer HIGHLIGHTS



SAVE THE DATE!!

March 25, 2021

*4TH Annual
BUILDING HOPE
2021 Event*

We love all our volunteers!! Here are some recent visits by dedicated individuals and groups:

Kay and Billie served many days to organize our clothing closet.

GraceLife Church – Summer Serve project – for the second year, they came to grill a delicious lunch and hold a cornhole tournament with our men.

First College of First Baptist Church – Summer Serve project – these young college students helped unpack and set up the bedroom furniture in our new dormitory.



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