



Jesus Our Rescuer

by Mark Matthews,
Works Program Director

“For he has rescued
us from the
dominion
of darkness...”

Colossians 1:13

The concept of the need of a Rescuer is something that is woven all through the Old Testament and points us to Jesus. Jesus, the Rescuer, is something that we share with our guests as often as they will receive it! Each one of us needs Jesus every day to rescue us from our shortcomings. We get so excited when our guests realize their need of a savior.

What a sweet celebration we had recently as we had 5 men get baptized! As these 5 men publicly proclaimed their spiritual re-birth through Jesus we rejoiced! Jesus, their Rescuer and ours, has conquered darkness and



has provided a new life and a new hope to each and every one of them!

We are quickly approaching the 1-year anniversary of the men’s Works Program. We have so much to thank God for and this is just one of many exciting things God has done in the lives of our guests. We have so many amazing volunteers who give of their

time, talent and treasure to make this all possible. It is our volunteers that make our programs what they are and because of them we can celebrate Jesus, our Rescuer, with our guests!

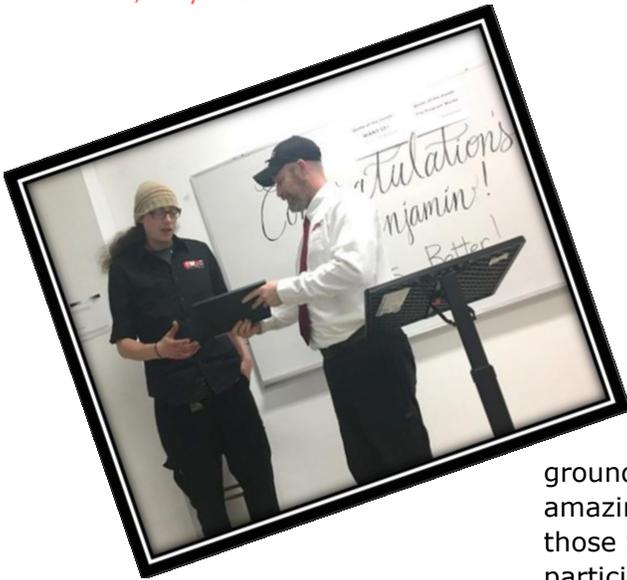
Patrick Jones, who came from Oakland, California, teaches Bible study each week. Chad Elliot, a highly decorated retired Marine, and Sargent Major Tony Humphreys, both work with the Works Program men teaching them the importance of teamwork, discipline, self-control and accountability.

It’s volunteers like them who celebrate with us as people are set free and rescued from darkness!



Our 2nd Graduation & an Employment Partnership

by Mark Matthews,
Works Program Director



It's amazing to see God lay the groundwork for so many amazing opportunities for those who stay with us and participate in our programs, things that we could hope for and to see God do things that we never could to make them happen. A new partnership has been made with the Idaho Falls Rescue Mission, Express personnel and Golden Valley Natural in Shelley, ID. For the first time in mission history, we can provide transportation to and from a work place, with everyone on the same shift!

This opportunity is not only for our Works Program participants, but also for our City of Refuge and Ruth House guests as well. What an amazing opportunity for those working to put the pieces of their lives back together again. We are so thankful for businesses like this that play an active role in providing help, hope and a

Saturday April 14th, we had our second graduation celebration! Ben graduated from the IFRM WORKS PROGRAM. It truly was a great time of celebration! Ben successfully completed the six-month program. He also had an unexpected surprise from our very first alumni, Jeremy B, who encouraged Ben and the other men on the Rescue and Program side. There is nothing more encouraging to the men that are in the program than to participate in a graduation of a friend and see the very first graduate doing well. We truly give God all the glory for His work among these men as lives are being transformed. These men come to our mission homeless and upon graduation we are handing them keys to their very own apartment. I can't even begin to tell you what that does for those who are homeless and are coming out of the stronghold of addiction. This May will mark the first year of this program and we hope in the future to see many more and more graduates, we are looking at our next graduate in the month of June. We cannot do this without your help and support. If you missed this graduation, please feel free to attend the next one in June. We'd love to see you there!

Prayer Requests

- That our guests would be set free from addiction and learn how to maintain healthy life habits.
- Strength for the staff and volunteers who serve each day to help provide help, hope and a future to those in need.
- For more partners to join our team, both volunteers and those who give financially.

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us."

1 John 5:14





High Impact Volunteers

by Valerie Martinez,
Volunteer Coordinator



We exist because of High Impact Volunteers who give of their time and talents to provide the services necessary to keep our doors open, keep the hungry fed, and the homeless off the streets.

Angela is one of our amazing Thrift Store volunteers. She is a former kindergarten teacher and after she retired she didn't want to sit at home and do nothing, so she decided to make a difference

in her community by volunteering at the IFRM Thrift Store.

She has shared with us a bit about her story and she said that Psalm 90:12 was what brought her to us.

It reads:

"So, teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom."

Angela first heard about the IFRM from a Facebook post from our Chaplain Todd Wood. She loves to help with the clothing voucher program we offer. She loves helping those in need and getting to know them and their stories. She loves that the IFRM feeds both the soul and the physical needs of our guests and the community. She is a proud grandmother and gardener and is friendly to all she interacts with. We are so thankful to have her!

A Security Upgrade

by Tyler Perkins,
Executive Director

Security is something that the Idaho Falls Rescue Mission takes very seriously. We offer safe housing and our security helps us create that environment. It is also of the utmost importance to keep our guests, staff and volunteers safe. Idaho Falls Rescue Mission was able to procure the funds

to upgrade our security camera system, which is the biggest part of our security. These were unspent funds from the Community Block Grant that was awarded to the Mission for our kitchen hood installation.

Thanks to the City of Idaho Falls we were able to not only replace all of our cameras with the latest in camera technology, but also add several much-needed cameras. We were also able to update the hardware used to record.

Because of these upgrades the Idaho Falls Rescue Mission security is even better than it was. We are able to provide a much safer and accountable atmosphere. Thanks again to the City of Idaho Falls and to Peak Alarm who did the installation.



Upcoming Events

by Amanda Chaplin,
Event & Development Coordinator

PARTNER MEET & GREETS

We are excited to announce a new opportunity we have to get to know our ministry partners!

Twice a month we will be hosting Partner Meet & Greets. These will give us a unique opportunity to build a better relationship with the heart and soul of the mission, because without our ministry partners we wouldn't be able to do what we do!

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATIONS

Our volunteers are what keep our programs running here at the IFRM. We are always looking to grow our programs and prepare for new and exciting opportunities. As our volunteer team grows, so does our ability to better serve those in our community.

Volunteer orientations are our way to engage with those interested in serving with us at the IFRM. Valerie Martinez is our Volunteer Coordinator and leads these meetings.

If you'd like to come and learn how to partner in this way visit our website at <http://ifrescuemission.org>.

1ST ANNUAL BONNEVILLE COUNTY ROCK KICKOFF PARTY

The Idaho Falls Rescue Mission is excited to announce their partnership with Bonneville County Rocks.

BCRocks is going to be hosting a Rock Kickoff Party on Saturday June 9th, 2018 from 11am-4pm at Community Park in Idaho Falls.

Proceeds from this event will be given to support the IFRM. It will be a family friendly event and we would like to invite you to be a part of it as it will be a great day!

In Honor & In Memorial

IN MEMORY OF MARVIN HASSON
by Pat Martin

IN MEMORY OF ART SVEJDA
by Kathleen Metzger Svejda

IN MEMORY OF KENNETH WRENN
by Nancy Bergmann

IN MEMORY OF WAYNE BILLS
by Jonnie Pace
Jeffrey & Christine Robert
Nancy Bills
Jerry & Ann Shirley

IN MEMORY OF IONE HUGLEY
by Vicki Faehn