



RESCUE

by Amanda Chaplin, Social Marketing Coordinator
& Todd Wood, Chaplain

REACHING FOR JESUS

Jesus asked his disciples to do things that seemed odd or impossible to them. Peter, as one of Jesus' disciples, knew him very well and was known for his boldness and emotional response to situations. In Matthew 14, Matthew wrote about when Jesus walked on the water, and how Peter responded to this event. Peter in all of his zeal jumped over the boat and ran to Jesus! As long as Peter had his gaze fixed on Christ he was able to stand, but it wasn't long before he felt the strong wind on his face and panicked. He was terrified, and he began to sink! Peter cried out to Jesus, "Save me, Lord!" and quickly Jesus reached out and grabbed Peter's hand and pulled him out of the depths.

We, at the Idaho Falls Rescue Mission, desire to meet people where they are at, in times of despair, and to show them Jesus.



Jesus is the one who grabs us out of the depths and rescues each one of us!

We recently had the privilege to celebrate with four men from our Works Program as they got baptized in the Snake River!

Pastors Todd Wood and Warren Cuppy performed the ceremony.

"Baptism by immersion symbolizes being buried in the likeness of Christ's death and raised to newness of life." Chaplain Todd wrote. "These men are trusting in Jesus to do the work of salvation that they cannot accomplish on their own. By faith alone in Christ alone by grace alone."

RECOVERY

by Tyler Perkins,
Executive Director

WORKS PROGRAM GRADUATION

The Idaho Falls Rescue Mission has been running what we call the "Works Program" for just over a year now. Out of all the things that the Mission is involved in, this one is the *most* exciting. The few who make it through the program have experienced Rescue, Recovery and Restoration in a powerful way. It is very demanding and very tough. So, it is with great pleasure and humility that we announce the graduation of two men, Ken Barzee and Mike Boyd! Theirs was our third graduation and was a wonderful time of fellowship and celebration

The keynote speaker was one of our Bible teachers and a great friend to the mission, Patrick Jones. There were over thirty people in attendance as each graduation grows a little bigger.

This right-of-passage is such an important part of a fresh start and the mission is so happy to be able

to facilitate this momentous occasion. Thank you to everyone who made this graduation possible, volunteers, financial partners and the Lord!



STORIES OF SUCCESS

To repair, refurbish, rehabilitate, mend or fix. The process of restoration includes all those things in numerous areas of one's life.

Jeremy is one of our Works Program graduates who is in the midst of this process of Restoration. He graduated in



December of 2017 and was our first participant to complete the 7-month program. Since then, he is still with the same employer, still holds the keys to the same apartment he

RESTORATION

by Mark Matthews,
Works Program Director



The IFRM is excited to celebrate a 13% program success rate, compared to

received when he graduated, and he is still going to church and walking with the Lord!

The IFRM focuses on rescue, recovery and restoration. The process of restoration is so important to the overall success of those who have recently come out of the rescue and recovery stages.

We are thrilled to see Jeremy, and others like him, who are making positive improvements in their lives. That is what we work so hard to achieve!

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Harry is one of the most recent volunteers to serve with us. As one of our office volunteers, he gives his time and talents to

the IFRM as a way to help those in need, and we are so thankful!

Harry is from Oregon and used to help with the food bank and senior meals there before he moved to Idaho.

He has consistently stepped up to support us in many ways and we are forever grateful for his compassion and dedication.

When asked what he loves about volunteering for Idaho Falls Rescue Mission, Harry responded:

"I have a heart for people, I'm retired, and I enjoy doing things that'll make a difference. I love seeing the change in people."

Veronica and her kids have been volunteering for 8 years now. They come in to cook and serve in the kitchen a couple times a year. They always make incredible delicious Mexican dishes that everyone loves!

She loves, together with her friends and family, to be able to give back to those in need. They love helping the community and they bring their kids along with them to instill the importance of helping others. It teaches them to be thankful for what they have when helping those in need.

We are so fortunate to have an enthusiastic



and committed group of volunteers like them, and we can't say thank you enough!

We can't say thank you enough to Harry and Veronica for their hard work, and for making an immeasurable impact on our guests and in Southeastern Idaho!

Prayer Requests

- That each one of our guests would come into a personal relationship with Jesus and find freedom from addiction and bondage.
- That God would provide our needs over the summer months, as gifts and donations often reduce during this time of year.
- We are seeking out a different facility to better accommodate our needs.

Please pray for the right facility to come at the right time.

“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



“For I know the PLANS I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to PROSPER YOU and not to harm you, plans to GIVE YOU HOPE AND A FUTURE.”

JEREMIAH 29:11

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