

New Life Discipleship PROGRAM Graduates



Joshua Hall
graduated the New Life Program on

4/25/2018. Josh came to the mission extremely broken having been involved in drug abuse and sales. Josh found himself associating with some bad characters that did not have his best interest at heart which led him to get out quickly. With all of his past behind him, he has now become a new man in Christ. Josh works at our thrift store as a warehouse worker, cashier and is currently working at the back door receiving donations from our donors. We are proud of Josh for his hard work and becoming the man that God has called him to be.



David Bollig
graduated the New Life Program on

5/16/2018. David came to us a broken man having left everything behind to start a new life. It has been a rough road for him but he has shown what it means to be resilient in tough times. Since graduating David landed a job at our thrift store as a warehouse worker sorting through boxes of bric-a-brac and pricing them for sale. David is a faithful employee who is always on time for work.



Randy Schuetzle
graduated the New Life Program on 8/1/2018. Randy has

had his share of struggles in life but now he has solidified his relationship with Christ. Randy is not a man of many words but he is all about getting things done. Since graduating Randy has been hired on as our part time maintenance man. Through the week he is busy mowing lawns, fixing dryers, preparing our storage containers for a new coat of paint, tightening loose screws and lots of other tasks. Randy is an example to all of our program members as to what it means to have faith accompanied by works!



Kevin McDonald
graduated the New Life Program on 8/22/2018. It was a

long road for Kevin and he gave the program 3 different attempts and finally this time he finished! Kevin is currently staying with us but has plans to move to his mother and fathers to work at their avocado farm. In the meantime Kevin spends his time loving on our guests and helping out around the facility. Kevin has shown what it means to demonstrate the love of Jesus to others by the way he lives his new life. When he leaves he will be dearly missed.

Leaving a LEGACY



When a mother commits to changing her life—breaking the cycle of drugs and abuse—she is not only changing her life, but the lives of her children for generations to come. She is changing her story, her legacy. When you invest in a life like hers by donating to the Eureka Rescue Mission, you are huge part of that legacy and for that we cannot thank you enough. One way that a number of people have chosen to continue this legacy of hope is through planned giving to the Eureka Rescue Mission. This has included bequests, charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts and more. If you would like additional information on how you can leave a long-lasting impact on the Eureka Rescue Mission by including us in your trust or will, please contact your estate planner or feel free to contact us at 707-445-3787 for a referral. If we can help in any way, please don't hesitate to contact us. Thank you again.

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Renovation UPDATE from the DIRECTOR

Well, we are excited to inform you that as of September 10th we have officially started our Men's Shelter renovation! Much time, prayer, effort and finances have gone into this phase and now we have the first stage of improvements underway. On Monday, New Life Services arrived and started preparing the downstairs for asbestos abatement so that Pacific Builders can come and tear out walls and floors to make room for new construction. All of our overnight guests have been transferred to our new building cafeteria floor for sleeping during the night. We are grateful for Pacific Builders working with us to continue services during construction. When the asbestos abatement is finished the main interior staircase will be removed making room for new showers, restroom, and a laundry/clothing facility. The whole bottom floor of the Men's Shelter will be transformed into a dormitory including handicap access beds. After the bottom floor is completed they will then move upstairs to renovate the program member rooms. Not only will the program member rooms be renovated but they will have their own shower and restroom facilities upstairs. Our building is over 110 years old and the electrical and plumbing has been a constant maintenance nightmare! We are excited to have new plumbing, electrical, and state of the art fire sprinkler system installed. Currently we are still raising funds for this project as we go along. I ask that you might spread the good news of our project to your friends that they might consider helping us toward the completion of this project. Thank you all so much for your continued prayers and financial support. I am blessed to be a steward of this great ministry to those who are in need, helping change lives one life at a time. God bless you all and thank you again.

Bryan Hall Sr.
Executive Director




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COUNTING our BLESSINGS

Ferdinand Louis



Ferdinand Louis, originally from Haiti, came to the Eureka Rescue Mission in January of 2018. Having traveled all the way from Florida with the promise of a new start, he unfortunately found himself homeless and living on the streets of Eureka for two weeks. Not a good start for Ferdinand and definitely not what he was expecting. Eventually he came across some people who thankfully directed him to the Eureka Rescue Mission. After arriving at the shelter and settling in, he immediately started looking for gainful employment, ultimately landing a full time job at Coast Seafoods' Oyster Farm. Ferdinand was able to obtain a California Driver License and then went on a search to purchase a vehicle. It wasn't but a short time and he found a car that suited his needs and bought it! Soon after his car purchase he was on the hunt for housing which led him to an available room for rent in a local home with two of our New Life Program graduates. Ferdinand shows no signs of slowing down; he has enrolled into the College of the Redwoods, is taking an English Class to improve his English, and plans to register for the Nursing Program next year. Wow! While at the mission Ferdinand experienced the love of Jesus demonstrated to him through the New Life Discipleship Program members. This compelled him to pursue his relationship with Christ, resulting in him finding and faithfully attending a local church where he can connect and grow in the Lord. Ferdinand's big smile and easy going nature was contagious which made many lifelong friends at the Mission. We miss having him around, however, we are blessed because he comes back periodically to visit, sharing his big smile and updating us on his progress. Ferdinand is a great example of what the Eureka Rescue Mission is all about, a hand up in a time of need so that one can achieve their goals and start moving forward in life. We are proud of him and the many other guests that have been able to use our services to get back on their feet.

Brody Houseworth



Brody Houseworth has lived in Humboldt County for most of his life, is 25 years old and had only been homeless for just a couple of months. After losing his housing he hit the ground running and immediately attained employment with Custom Crab Pots working there full time for three months until another more promising opportunity was presented to him. Brody was offered a full time job as a ranch hand up north and was very excited to see where this new opportunity was going to take him! Brody came to the Eureka Rescue Mission in July and left us in September. Brody made this statement about the mission. He said, "The Mission is a pretty awesome place, I am very thankful for a place where I could come and regroup, plan my next move and not worry where I was going to sleep or what I was going to eat while waiting for my first paycheck. The Eureka Rescue Mission has helped me stay warm, get off the streets and has provided me with the opportunity to save money. They have provided me a place to shower and get good quality clean clothes as well. I think that you're helping take care of people that have a hard time taking care of themselves; you are a safe place for people to get off of the street. I also like that you are sharing the Word of God and offering people the opportunity to develop a relationship with God." At the Mission we are excited to see these situations work out with a good ending. The Eureka Rescue Mission is an Emergency Shelter and Brody was most definitely in need of help. Thank you to all of our donors for your continued prayers and financial support in helping us change lives, one life at a time! *Matthew 25:40* "And the King will answer and say to them, assuredly I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."

Women's God Squad




The Women's God Squad is up and running bright and early on Saturday mornings of each week, the ladies are up and ready willing to do deep cleaning tasks in and around the shelter. Not only does it help in giving them a sense of accomplishment when finished, but inside the shelter it also helps keep illnesses at bay. With so many people in close living quarters there's always something that needs to be sanitized and deep cleaned. This also enables us to get to responsibilities that aren't so easy to do during the evening hours of operations. Some of the duties include processing food, deep cleaning the refrigerator and cupboards, cleaning the laundry room as well as sweeping up leaves in front of the shelter. Another big task that we work on each week is our free clothes boutique which serves not only our household and overnight guests, but also extends to our street outreach program that serves women and children in the community who aren't currently staying at the shelter. This gives us the opportunity to talk with and minister to ladies outside of our normal chapel time. Many times we see them return for chapel and dinner services later that evening which opens a new door of opportunity for them to consider coming in as a resident of the shelter. This is such a wonderful and amazing ministry to be a part of! God bless everyone including the Eureka Rescue Mission supporters and those who are in constant prayer for this ministry. Prayer is extremely effective and lives are being changed daily! *Phillipians 4:13* "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."






Lawana Burrell



Lawana Burrell was born in Arcata at the old Trinity Hospital in 1955. She was born with heart defects which caused some difficulties in her childhood having undergone heart surgery not long after her 7th birthday. Growing up, Lawana was raised by her mother and stepfather and had some siblings on her biological fathers' side of the family. Unfortunately, her biological father died a tragic death when she was very young. Lawana was raised in church and accepted Christ as her Savior in 1962 when she was only 7 years old and continues to love the Lord to this day. Lawana first became homeless 5 years ago when a couple of bad choices in roommates ended up creating problems which resulted in her lease being terminated. She put her belongings in storage and started couch surfing at friends' houses who abused alcohol and drugs. This phase in her life made it easy for her to make poor choices by indulging in the same behavior, resulting in her life spinning out of control. Lawana knew in her heart that she wasn't living right and started looking for a better and healthier lifestyle. One evening she came to our chapel and dinner service and made a decision to utilize out overnight services. While staying with us, Lawana started to rebuild her relationship with Christ by attending daily chapel services and hearing the living word of God. She was shown love, respect, understanding and compassion which are exactly what her broken spirit needed at that moment in her life. Recently she has been experiencing severe medical issues and is in need of faithful prayer. This is the 3rd time in less than a month that Lawana has been hospitalized and is currently on the long road of recovery. It's been touch and go but Lawana says "God will take care of me. He's brought me to where I am and He's bringing me through." Lawana's ultimate hope is to fully recover and eventually attain permanent housing. "It's been a struggle," she said, "but since coming to the mission I have experienced overwhelming amounts of love and support from the staff and other guests. Thank you to everyone who supports this ministry that helps transform many lives."

Carol McQuade



In the last edition of our newsletter we introduced to you Carol McQuade, and now we would like to bring you an exciting update. With a lot of hard work and patience, Carol has successfully achieved permanent housing and has started to settle into her new home quite comfortably. Carol had been struggling with homelessness for over 5 years sleeping on the streets of Eureka before coming to the Eureka Rescue Mission Women's Shelter. While staying with us she has established a solid faith filled foundation on which to start rebuilding her life. With several health complications and hospitalizations along the way, her journey has definitely been a challenging one. But once again, God has prevailed and Carol now maintains permanent housing here in the town that she struggled in for so many years. Carol was able to save the majority of her income as a result of the services provided by the Eureka Rescue Mission. You, our donors, have been a huge part of this amazing life change! Carol simply and sweetly said, "If it wasn't for the supporters of the Eureka Rescue Mission, I would not have had the strength and support that it takes to achieve and maintain permanent housing." Through the chapel services that are held each day, Carol was able to rebuild and strengthen her relationship with Christ renewing her faith in Him. She is forever grateful and blessed to have had the opportunity to work so closely with such a wonderful ministry. She also said, "I have been blessed with a whole new family at the Mission and I am forever grateful." Included with this article we have added a photo of Carol and some photos of her new apartment. We hope you are blessed as much as we are!

