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**WISH LIST**

- Shop-Vac
- Commercial sized stand mixer
- Van
- We are always accepting food donations like: canned fruits, vegetables, cream of chicken and cream of mushroom, tuna, pasta (penne, bow tie, macaroni, & spaghetti) & boxed mashed potatoes



CHANGING LIVES THROUGH THE POWER OF PRAYER

*Women of Courage*



*There's a better life.*

**» What's new with us? «**

We're excited to announce our recent partnership with Allison at Trek North Consulting to secure grants that will support our projects and initiatives, enabling us to better serve our community and achieve our mission. We are very excited and hopeful for this process and the opportunities it will bring!



We have been awarded a \$10,000 grant from The Christ Foundation, a local foundation out of Hartville! We truly appreciate their assistance in helping us cover our operating costs!

We're pleased to announce that our charity golf outing was a success, generating a profit of \$11,514! We're so thankful for all of our sponsors, volunteers and participants that made this a success. This is our main fundraiser for the year and we're so glad to see it growing!

**Mark your calendars for our 5th annual golf outing June 14, 2025!**

Our Women of Courage program has really grown this past year! More than 40 women are going through this program weekly, the majority of which are in the Stark County Jail.

One of the women from our Women of Courage program recently had a housefire and lost everything. She is married and has 4 children. they are currently working with the Red Cross for housing and staying with a relative. For anyone that would like to help, please contact us or check out our Facebook page.

## Believe

Our Women of Courage program is offered in the Stark County Jail. We are there weekly for 2 separate classes, one with the violent offenders and the other with non-violent offenders. This is a faith-based program and women sign up to join if they would like to attend. The classes are offered on a repeating 6 class rotation, but women are allowed to continue attending as long as they desire.

Melissa was a lifetime prostitute. She was born into it and had never known anything but sex and drugs. She was in her early thirties and looked hard and worn from the effects of her lifestyle and had a somewhat harsh personality.

My first encounter with Melissa was with our class on “purpose” which not only assures women that they have a purpose in this life but helps them understand the necessary changes they need to make to achieve that purpose, get on God’s plan for their life, and close the doors that keep them from living their best life.

At some time during the presentation, Melissa suddenly blurted out “Yeah, I tried that God stuff once, He didn’t bring me no tricks, no coke, nothin.” This brought some laughter to the room, and I gently assured her that I was positive that God would never bring her tricks or cocaine, and that his plan for her was better than anything that life could ever bring her. I really didn’t think she would choose to come back to class after that, but she attended every single week for many months, taking the same 6 six classes over and over again. One day during class she raised her hand and said that she wanted to give her life to Christ and asked if I would help her do that. I went over and held her hands to pray and almost all of the ladies in the class got up from their seats and came over and laid their hands on her. I said a prayer, and they all prayed with me for her.

Melissa’s life changed that day. She became a trustee in the jail, which gave her special privileges. Her face had changed to a much softer look, and she always had a smile on her face. She read her bible every day and the ladies all spent time in their pods together daily doing a bible study and praying together. She accepted her prison sentence with grace, content that God had her in the palm of his hands and swore that her former life was over, and she would never go back.

Her prison sentence didn’t last nearly as long as it was supposed to since she ended up getting credit for time served that she didn’t think was possible in her situation. She got out of prison, started attending church, and left behind the people and the life she once knew. Today Melissa is healthy and whole. She keeps in touch with us to let us know how she is doing regularly. Our God is so good!

***“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” John 10:10***