



LOUISVILLE Rescue Mission

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MINISTRY UPDATE 2014-15

Louisville Rescue Mission exists to proclaim the gospel and extend God's mercy to the homeless and hurting of the greater Louisville area in support of the local church. Our vision is to see lives transformed by Christ, equip individuals for sustainable living and make disciples connected and serving through the local church. The greatest challenge facing men and women at LRM is not the issue of homelessness, but the Crisis of Hopelessness. We invite you to join us as we continue to proclaim the gospel in both word and deed...



EMERGENCY DAY SHELTER

Louisville Rescue Mission served an unprecedented number of individuals during 2014-15. In February 2015, LRM staff implemented an automated tracking system to gain a better understanding of the volume and characteristics of those accessing immediate care services such as showers, restrooms, meals, mail service, etc... The following statistics resulted:

- Total Number of Guests: 1765
 - Men: 1335
 - Women: 405
- Veterans: 141
- Disabled (self-report): 699
- Meals Served: 31,500
- Loads of Laundry: 2,600
- Showers/Toiletry Items: 6,400

Beyond meeting physical needs, LRM remains faithful to the preaching of God's word to the men and women in the day shelter through daily chapel services. Pastors, volunteers, staff, students and other gospel-driven men faithful proclaimed the gospel to a dying world.

JOIN US IN PRAYER, PARTICIPATION AND PROCLAMATION!

LIFECCHANGE PROGRAM FOR MEN

Men coming to LRM and entering the LifeChange program, like any other, need to hear the goodness of God in the gospel. Not only that, men need a community of support so that complete restoration may be made with their families and the larger community. LRM commits to journeying with these men in the name of Christ so that they may be pointed to the cross, transformed by the power of God and walking in light. The following are a few men whose lives have been changed by Christ through the ministry of LRM:

- John (name modified for anonymity) was a successful businessman in the marketing industry, married and lived a full life. John, however, was living a life of addiction leading to a broken marriage, no job and hopelessness. John entered LifeChange, embraced counseling, case management, and biblical teaching and left LRM an employed, baptized follower of Christ!
- Tommie was estranged from family, addicted to drugs and homeless. Tommie came to LRM's day shelter for services and was one among many but a faithful LRM volunteer reached out to Tommie, built a rapport and encouraged him to enter LifeChange. Today, Tommie has moved home! He has reconciled with family, has plans of getting married and has a vision of starting his own business. Not only that, Tommie gives God glory for his opportunity to start new. Praise God!
- Robin had been a longtime resident of LifeChange coming into 2015. Robin started in the day shelter, took the counsel of staff and entered LifeChange and had successfully completed the program and was engaged with the local church but needed a next step. LRM could provide Robin with that next step. Today, Robin continues to reside at LRM but in his own independent apartment. Robin is no longer homeless! Not only that, Robin serves at LRM by being a Resident Manager for the other permanent housing residents.

Praise the Lord for His goodness and His work in the lives of men in the LifeChange program!

