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Greetings to all,

This has been a very full month with lots going on. There have been times I did not know what to expect next. I attend lots of meetings throughout the month with several having guest speakers. Some are interesting, but there are a few that trigger something in me that causes me to think beyond the meeting. One such speaker spoke of our legacy this month. His quote was "Moment by moment decisions are what forms our legacy."

Restoring Lives West is making decisions daily that are changing lives of those who come here. Today I received a call from an 18 year old who is a senior in high school. His girl friend is also a senior and wants to graduate this year. Her parents made her move out after she told them she was pregnant. She is currently "couch surfing" with friends and trying to make it. He called because he needs to find housing and a job once he completes school. I will meet with them this week and begin working with them. How awesome it is to know that we can work with these young people and hopefully make a difference in their lives. I also find it encouraging knowing that these young people heard about Restoring Lives from another young person at the high school who we worked with in the beginning of the year.

This past week we had our Hearing to Dismiss regarding the zoning on the house at 1318. We are waiting to hear from the judge on this and are praying it is in our favor. If not we will need to go back to court to argue our case for the zoning variance. This could push everything back a few more months but we are hopeful. We have continued with the plans and have requested our permits to begin the work as soon as the zoning is clarified. I will send out a quick notice when we hear back from the judge.

This ministry is making a difference in the lives it touches. It is able to make large impacts with very little. We did not increase our budget this year as we have found we can serve the young people at this time on about \$165.00 per day. However we did not meet our goal last year and need to make up for it this year. We are currently approximately \$5,000.00 behind this year and with all that is planned for the coming year we need to make this up and keep going. We know that we will need to hire a second person when we move into the house to cover the phones and help with

the scheduling. This will add to the overall budget and we want to be able to continue to grow and help the young people as we have in the past.

Please be in prayer about how you can help. Do not forget that we have a PayPal account through our website at www.restoringliveswest.org or checks can be mailed to: Restoring Lives West 709 S. Lynhurst Dr Indianapolis, IN 46241.

Thanks to all who have helped and to those who will in the future.

Yours in Christ,

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