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Greetings to all,

I hope that you are all enjoying this beautiful weather and spending time outside with friends and love ones. During this season we, as Christians look forward to a time of re-birth and a time of renewal. It is the time that we have just celebrated the resurrection and all that entails. It is the time when we begin to focus outside of ourselves and to disciple to those who have not met our Lord. Jesus commissioned the disciples to go out among the people and to tell them what they had seen. Can we do any less?

Last week you received a letter from our board president. She discussed several of the needs of Restoring Lives, the biggest being financial, and how you can help. Over the next few months you will be receiving additional letters from the board to help you get to know the board members better and hopefully see this ministry through their eyes. They have worked very hard over the past few years to help this ministry serve 96 young people and over 25 children of these youth. They are to be congratulated for their hard work and for answering God's call to serve in this way. It is my hope that with getting to know them that you might better be able to see where this ministry is heading and how you might be able to serve.

This past month has been full of personal struggles for me. My brother had 4 by-pass surgery two and half weeks ago and I was with him in New Orleans for a week. He is currently doing ok but has a long recovery before he will be able to go back to work and then I got the flu for a few days. For a person who hasn't been sick for a long time that really set me back but I am happy to say that Restoring Lives continued to serve the youth that needed us. Volunteers stepped up to carry the phone and meet with the youth as needed.

We were also blessed to have two separate youth groups come in to do work projects over the past two weeks. One group worked at 709 S. Lynhurst Dr. They cleaned and weeded the flowerbeds as well as sorted clothes, vacuumed, mopped, and general cleaning. The other group worked at 1318 S. Lynhurst Dr. This group picked up the yard, weeded, mowed, swept and mopped the floors, and washed the windows. This was very much appreciated. Last year my son did all the mowing at 1318. He is glad to have any help he can get this year.

Keep praying on how you can support this ministry and all that we are doing for the youth in this area.

Yours in Christ,

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