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Greetings to all,

Wow school starts tomorrow! Where did the summer go? This is a time of joy and sadness for me personally. My son starts his senior year. The joy comes from he IS starting his senior year and the sadness is that he is starting his SENIOR year. It will be a year of transition and growth. We are also going through changes here. With school starting again my hours at the center will change again. I will not be able to see clients from 2:00-6:00 during the week. That is when the after school kids are in the building. I will be seeing them by appointment at other locations. If you want to refer someone please have them call me at 402-5101 to set up an appointment.

We are also are beginning work on the inside of the house at 1318 S. Lynhurst. This Saturday August 15th will begin the start of restoration on the inside. If you and your group plan to attend please let me know because we will be providing lunch for all of the workers and need a rough count. We will be meeting at 1318 at 9:00am. We will start with prayer and then the work will begin. We still have some yard work that needs done so some will be working on that. We have to gently remove and mark all of the wood trim and doors so that they can be refurbished for reuse. We will then begin the dirty work of removing all of the plaster and lattice work. We will be taking out ceilings and walls this week. We will make a decision about the floors at a later date. I am putting in a supply list so you will know what we need. We plan on ending at 3:00 pm sharp because I have my 25th class reunion that evening in Richmond and will need to shower before I go. (I know what you are all thinking. "I am way too young to have been out of school for 25 years.")

- [Gloves and Masks are provided by Restoring Lives West](#)
- [Duct tape/sharpiers provided by Restoring Lives West](#)
- Big riding mower to cut grass
- Weed eaters
- Clippers
- Shovels/spades for digging
- 30 gallon trash cans for caring debris
- Shovels/straight edge for scoping debris

- Hammers
- Pry bars
- Industrial brooms
- Up to a 3lb sledge hammer

After zoning has been completed the work schedule will look something like this:

1. Roof and windows	2-3 weeks to complete	@\$35,000.00
2. Heating and cooling duct work	1 week	@\$15,000.00
3. Plumbing	1 week	@\$5,000.00
4. Electric	1 week	@\$5,000.00
5. Heating/cooling units	1 week	already figured
6. Floors	2-3 weeks	@\$2,500.00
7. Drywall	2-3 weeks	@\$3,000.00
8. Painting/finish work	3-4 weeks	@\$2,000.00
9. Siding/gutters	<u>2 weeks</u>	<u>@\$15,000.00</u>
Totals	19 weeks	@\$80,000.00

This is of course if we have to pay for everything. We are hoping to have some things donated and to have crews step-up to complete some of the work. This will help to reduce the cost. If you know of someone who can help with these projects please contact us so that we can coordinate them in the schedule.

We are scheduling several events over the next few months to raise money not only for the house, but also everyday running of the ministry. Please mark the evening of October 24th off to eat and worship with us at Lynhurst Baptist Church for a benefit concert and meal. This will be a free meal and event. We will be sending out more info as the date gets closer, so save the date. Other things are being scheduled so pay attention to the e-mails as they come out.

I want to tell you all about a praise that we have seen here. Several of our young people are beginning to find jobs and to make positive changes in their lives. One young lady who has been looking for about eight months called me on Sunday to tell me she starts work on Monday. Another young man who has been in jail has gotten out and started a job. Maybe to economy is beginning to turn around after all! Keep praying for all who are looking and all who are trying to make a difference in their lives.

Yours in Christ,

Hope Garrett

P.S. We are still in the **red**. Keep your donations coming as you are able.