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Greetings to all,

This is the month of love and with that I have been thinking of all of the people who love me. I have been very blessed to be loved by my parents, brothers and sisters, my husband, my son, my church family, my friends, and all of you. God has surrounded me with people who pray for me, support me, and who are there for me every day. I am not sure what I would do without that support and love. Many of our young people do not have that love.

They look for it and try to find it in many different ways but are not successful. They look toward people who want to use them, change them, and even destroy them. They have not found the unconditional love that they are seeking because they are looking in the wrong place. They think that physical attraction is love and do not reach deeper. They then have to deal with the child that is not conceived in love and they start the cycle all over again. It is impossible to teach about love without bringing God into the equation. He has taught me that His love is the only pure love there is and that without Him we do not know love.

This is the lesson that is taught to the young people who come into Restoring Lives. They learn that there are people who will be here for them and that they matter to people. They can begin the process of loving themselves as well as others in a more than physical way and learn that they are not alone. They begin to put value to themselves and explore new ways to succeed. It is wonderful to watch the process and to see the lives change.

Restoring Lives works very hard to be here for the young people on the west side of Indianapolis. We are starting our fourth year and many of the young people who have come into our program have learned to love themselves. They are making a difference in their choices and in their lives. Many of the young people keep in touch after they have gotten the help they need and are very grateful to all who make this ministry work.

We are continuing to raise funds for the day to day operations and need your help with this. We are having a fundraiser this weekend and are hopeful that many of you can come. (See [announcement on our Home Page](#)) You can also send checks to Restoring Lives West at 709 S. Lynhurst Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46241, or through our

PayPal account at www.restoringliveswest.org. Continue to pray and spread the good word.

Yours in Christ,

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