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Greetings to all,

I hope this finds you all well. The weather is changing and that usually means more work for us. We have had a very busy fall so far with lots of new people coming in to be served. We have also been blessed with food for our food pantry. Thanks to all who have been helping with that.

I wanted to let all of you know of a phone call I just received. It was from Mary who you may have heard me speak of before. Mary is a mother of 4 and dropped out of school several years ago. She takes great care of her children but usually neglects herself. She came to Restoring Lives about 2 ½ years ago and we have developed a great relationship. I have seen her children start school and have helped Mary get out of a negative relationship. The one constant thing she had was a difficult time with work due to no education. I tried to get her to take her GED several times but she would not. About two months ago she heard of a company that was hiring close to her home. When she went for the job they said she needed a high school diploma or GED. This is a job that pays well and will help her get on with her life. She was very discouraged and came to talk with me.

At that time I asked again about taking the test. She finally said yes but did not have the \$70.00 to make it happen. Restoring Lives paid for the test and she took it. Today I got a phone call from Mary. She was so excited that I almost could not understand her. She gets to go pick up her diploma on Tuesday as she passed the test. I am so very proud of her. Her only concern was getting the results so she can apply for this job.

I want to say thank you from Mary for all the help that we are able to give her and the other 150 young people that have come through our program. It is such a blessing to see the changes in their lives and know that Restoring Lives has a hand in it. Please keep the prayers flowing for this ministry and for the young people like Mary who benefit from this ministry.

Everyday can be this happy for those who believe and for those who try. If you would like to support the Mary's in our program you can send a check to Restoring Lives West 709 S. Lynhurst Dr Indianapolis, In 46241 or go to our website at www.restoringliveswest.org to use our PayPal account.

Thanks again

Yours in Christ,

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