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Is it worth it? You be the judge.

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Back in August we featured a front-page article called, "Pictures, And More Pictures." In this article Dr. Bolois asked the question, "Is it worth it?" He was referring to all the hard work and prayer invested in each client that comes through the doors of New Destiny Treatment Center. His own response to that question was a definite, "Yes!"

After that newsletter came out, we received an email from one of our former clients who read Dr. Bolois' article. Let me share a few comments from his letter.

"Dear Rev. Rowan and Staff,

I read your article in this month's newsletter. You asked, "Is it worth it?"

You know just how sick I was when I came to the center over one year ago. You saw the lost and lonely look in my face. The pain was very real. While I was in addiction, the one thing that I lived every day was pain.

It has been five months since I finished the program and moved on. If you look at me today you will see no pain. The lonely, empty sound in my voice is gone. Today I am free!

Before I came to your treatment center I truly believed I would die in my addiction. I did not believe that there was any hope for me at all. Now, I know that there is not only hope for me, but there is hope for all! You see, if God could forgive me and set me free, I know that He can do it for all who will totally surrender to Him."

I saw Tim recently at our benefit fish fry dinner that was held in September. In my brief conversation with him I learned that he has been furthering his education in Bible College. He is helping manage a "recovery house" for recovering addicts, and he is engaged in ministry reaching out to those who are still sick and suffering in sin.

Tim is just one example of the many lives that have been radically changed by the blood of Jesus Christ. The message of hope he found at New Destiny Treatment Center has truly made a difference in his life and his future.

God uses people like you to reach people like Tim. Maybe you never had the opportunity to meet Tim, but your prayers and contributions to New Destiny Treatment Center made it possible for us to minister to him in his hour of need. The Lord is working through you to help us. Will you continue to stand with us?



Personal hygiene items needed

The New Destiny Treatment Center tries to provide basic necessities for all of our clients. This includes items for personal hygiene such as: soap, deodorant, aftershave lotion, toothpaste & toothbrushes, shaving cream & razors, shampoo, etc. When individuals or groups donate these items, it helps us use general funds for important operational needs.

(Note: all products must be alcohol-free.)

Second Annual Fish Fry



On September 25th we sponsored our second annual benefit fish fry to help raise money for New Destiny Treatment Center. The money raised this year was designated to purchase a van for the center, which will be used to transport clients to various appointments and functions.

The attendance was down a little from last year, and consequently, our net benefit was lower as well. We truly appreciate all those who came and supported this effort. It was a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and for some new friends to see the treatment center firsthand.

We want to especially thank one of our board members, Glen Miller, and his family for their help preparing the dinners. They brought their own catering equipment, including deep fryers, and prepared the fish and French fries. We also thank their church, Maranatha Fellowship, for donating the fish and fries for the event.

All of the homemade pies were provided by Mr. & Mrs. Ike Ruffner. Ike is also a member of our Board of Trustees. We deeply appreciate their contribution to the overall success of this benefit dinner.

In the accompanying photos, Daniel Miller is frying up more fish while Dr. Bolois is chatting with some of the guests who came to enjoy the bountiful meal.

Be sure to visit us next year when we sponsor another delicious fish dinner during the month of September.



State audit is complete.

In July an official from the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services came to inspect our facility, client records, and policy and procedures manual. This was necessary for the renewal of our license to operate a treatment facility in the state of Ohio. There were several minor deficiencies noted by the state official, which were all corrected. Our license to operate a chemical dependency treatment center has been renewed for another three years. For this we are truly grateful to God.

“Dads Still Care”

It is the time of year for us to launch the annual “Dads Still Care” Christmas project. Two years ago we started this project as a way for our clients to provide Christmas gifts for their children.

The men in our treatment center have always felt badly about going home for Christmas without any gifts for their children. Yet, they are unable to buy gifts while they are in our program. Therefore, we initiated a project two years ago where churches and individuals could donate funds designated for the “Dads Still Care” project so the men could provide gifts to their children for Christmas.

As funds come in, some staff members and volunteers go out shopping with special “wish lists” for the children of our clients. Then, a date will be designated in December for the families of the men to come to the treatment center for a big party. Volunteers also help at the party to serve refreshments.

Your help is needed to make this a success. You can get involved with this exciting project by contacting Carla Doss at (330) 825-5202 or by email at cdoss@newdestinytreatmentcenter.org.



Client Testimony: "This place saved my life!"



Hi. My name is Tim, and I am 36 years of age. I grew up with my three sisters in Norton, Ohio. We had a good home with very loving parents, and we attended church regularly. The first time I ever drank alcohol was at the age of twelve, and I was using pot by the time I was fourteen.

Several important events occurred in my life as I grew older and became an adult. I got married in 1988. The following year my mother passed away with cancer. Another year later my marriage fell apart and my wife and I were divorced. I turned my back on God, because I blamed Him for taking my mother from me.

I am a carpenter by trade, and I operated my own construction company. I tried to keep the business going even through the tough times of grief and divorce, but I turned to the bottle every day after work. Within another year I started snorting cocaine. The end result of these choices was losing my construction business.

I eventually started another company but I continued drinking and using cocaine. In 1993, I was introduced to crack cocaine and habitually used for the next ten years. After ten years of addiction to crack, I lost my business again and became homeless. I was living in the woods and stopping at the homes of friends to shower and get cleaned up. When the weather was bad, I stayed in dugouts of baseball fields. Most of the food I ate was stolen. I felt like I was living in hell.

One December night I nearly froze to death, so I went to a friend's house. I called New Destiny Treatment Center the next morning and within a week I was able to get a bed in the treatment center.

This place has saved my life! The first thing I learned was to be humble enough to admit my need. Secondly, I asked God to come into my life. I admitted that I was powerless over my addiction and I needed His help. In the months that I have been here since December of 2003, I have learned how to live life without drugs and alcohol. It's a whole new beautiful world!

I owe all of this to the grace of God. This place provides me a room to sleep, three meals a day, medication, physical activities and counseling. I will receive help in getting a new job, schooling, apartment, etc. to start all over and live a productive life. As long as I have God in my life I will stay free of addictions. If I push God out of my life again, I will die in my addiction.

Since coming here, I have been able to re-establish a relationship with my father and my sisters. I hadn't even talked to them for five years. Our relationship is getting better each day. I have a wonderful girlfriend who has been very supportive. She has always been clean and sober. I also found out that my daughter, whom I have never seen, is now 13 and she is coming to see me soon. It is only by the grace of God and the help of all the staff, especially my counselor, that I got my life back.

I was living in the woods and in baseball field dugouts.

Please Note....

In an effort to practice better stewardship of our resources, we are planning to reduce our mailing list. We want to send the newsletter to those who support us with prayer and/or finances. If you would like to contribute funds or become a faithful prayer partner, please return the form at the right. →

***Yes, I want to help return husbands to their wives,
fathers to their children, and sons to their parents.***

I am enclosing \$ _____ as a: 900 Club Member (\$100 per month) beginning the month of _____, 200__.

(If partnering with a friend, please include full name and address of partners for tracking purposes.)

Monthly gift (other than 900 Club) In Memory of: _____ In Honor of: _____

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Phone: (____) _____ email: _____

I am unable to contribute at this time, but I want to be a prayer partner for New Destiny Treatment Center. Please continue sending the *Destiny* newsletter.

Thrift store opening is delayed.



We have been telling you about our new thrift and gift store that is opening in Barberton. We had hoped to be in our store by the middle of August, but now it looks like it will be the middle of October. The delays have been caused by unexpected delays in getting the inside of the store remodeled for our use. By the time you receive this newsletter, the store should be open and ready for your visit.



We have purchased a truck to make pickups and deliveries. While we have been waiting for the store to open, we have been receiving donations from various places. At the time of writing this article, our challenge has been to find enough storage space for donations until the store is finished.

As we have mentioned many times before, we need more people to volunteer their time to help at the thrift store. If you are available for several hours a week or just a few hours each month, please give us a call. Ask for Carla Doss when you call. The phone number is (330) 825-5202, or reach her by email at cdoss@newdestinytreatmentcenter.org

Memorial Contributions

In memory of:

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Mailing List Changes: Requests for change of address or removal from mailing list should be forwarded to Marlene Brink. She can be reached by calling (330) 825-5202 or by email at mbrink@newdestinytreatmentcenter.org. Please keep in mind that it often takes a month or more for changes to take effect.



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