



March  
2026



“But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength...” -  
Isaiah 40:31

*Rebuilding the Lives of Homeless Men  
One Precious Soul at a Time*

A Message from our Director:

Proverbs 27:17 Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.

Dear friends and supporters,  
This past month our classes started back up and lots of our guests signed up for one or more. We offer five classes during Spring and Fall and encourage the men to attend. We offer Discipleship I, primarily for those who are new to the Christian faith or wondering what it means to be a Christian. We also offer Faith and Finance which helps men understand how to manage their money Biblically. Both of these classes are led by lay Christians and both classes need volunteers to assist them as allies, who become friends with class members and help them understand the principles being taught. Another class that is well attended is Celebrate Recovery which deals with addictions and helps men better understand the need for counseling. We have a drug and alcohol counselor leading this class. Assistant Director Tim Schlum leads our Discipleship II and Discipleship III to help men strengthen their faith and their walk with our Lord.



Because of Calvary,  
Dennis Rutledge, Executive Director



Tim and Friends of Calvary

Our Volunteers!



Carter Threlkeld and Memphis Joy Orchestra



Bellevue Baptist Church



Central Church

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# Client's Testimony, "Thank You, Barry Compton"

## Celebrating 30 Years and Counting of Faithful Service at Calvary Rescue Mission

On March 16th, 2026, Calvary Rescue Mission celebrates an extraordinary milestone: 30 years of faithful service by our House Manager, Barry Compton. Barry's story is one of redemption, perseverance, and unwavering faith in God—a story that reminds us all of the power of Jesus to transform lives.

Born in Mobile, Alabama, and raised in Oklahoma City, Barry faced immense challenges early in life. One of ten children, he lost his mother at 14 and was raised by his older sister through high school. As a young adult, Barry struggled with addiction and instability, moving from job to job and city to city, living on the streets and in shelters, searching for hope.

It was at Calvary Rescue Mission that Barry encountered the love of Christ in a life-changing way. Initially hesitant to join the staff, he eventually said "yes" to serving at the mission, and that decision would alter the trajectory of his life. From janitorial work to cook to House Manager, Barry has spent three decades investing in the mission and the men who come through its doors. He has been a mentor, a guide, and a steadfast example of what it means to live a life surrendered to Jesus.

Barry often credits the guidance of godly mentors, like our former director, Brother Bob, who helped him navigate doubts and grow in his faith. Through it all, Barry has remained sober, dedicated to discipleship, and committed to serving others in the same place where he once found restoration. His life demonstrates that God not only redeems broken lives but equips His people to serve others faithfully.

Over the past 30 years, Barry has truly been the backbone of Calvary Rescue Mission. From early mornings to late nights, from the practical work of managing the house to the personal investment in each man's journey, Barry's faithful service reflects God's glory and purpose in action. While we honor Barry today, we ultimately give thanks to God, who called him, restored him, and continues to use him to impact countless lives.

Barry, thank you for answering God's call on your heart. Your loyalty, compassion, and faithfulness have strengthened Calvary Rescue Mission for three decades, and your story continues to inspire hope and point countless men to Jesus. May God bless you richly as you continue to serve Him with the same steadfast love and dedication."



**Needs:** Please pray for our supply of individual snacks, chips, fresh fruit and vegetables, breakfast sausages, cereal, and dinner meats (ground beef, chicken, pork loin and pork chops) to keep up with the demand as we are averaging 80 men each night for dinner. HP laundry detergent, and Hand sanitizer wipes.

**Praise:** Praise God for the men God is saving night after night during our chapel services.

**Please pray:** Please pray for us to locate a well maintained, used pickup truck that we can afford to replace our current pickup that has over 270,000 miles and lots of repair needs.

**Please pray:** Please pray for more local churches to get involved by 'owning a night' at Calvary Rescue Mission. This involves providing the meal, serving the meal, and leading a chapel service.

**Please pray:** Please pray for someone who has a beef contact to get in touch with us as the price of beef has skyrocketed in grocery stores and we are in need of a good contact where we can buy meat for a cheaper price or have some meat donated.

NEEDS  
&  
PRAYERS

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Last Quarter: \$1,001.90

# Volunteer's Continued



Bellevue Baptist Church



First Methodist Church, Collierville



Eagle Heights Church



Rossville Baptist Church

## **Memorial or Honorarium**

Would you like to make a donation to either our Operating Fund or Building Fund in memory of a loved one, or in honor of someone. You can fill out the information and send with your donation in the enclosed envelope.

IN HONOR OF or IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

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(relationship to person)

Address to send acknowledgement:: \_\_\_\_\_

# “Volunteer Highlights”



## Chicken Champions:

**Bob & Julia Dean**

**Want to become a Chicken Champion??**

Sponsor the cost of supplies (\$250) for our monthly luncheon so that all money received at that luncheon goes into our Building Fund.

### January

#### 2026

Lodgings	2,399
Meals	7,197
Clothing	128
Saved	41

In **2025**, there were **523** men who made decisions to follow Christ!



When California native, Greg Sukert, moved to the Mid-South as a pastor at Central Church, one of his first questions was where was a homeless shelter that would allow him to serve monthly. Greg and his wife, Briana, had served at missions before moving here and wanted to continue. He was hired by Central as Pastor of Evangelism and preaching at Calvary Rescue Mission fit perfectly in his role at church. Greg has faithfully preached at Calvary on the third Tuesday night of every month and many men have come to know Christ through his efforts.

Greg is also known for his media releases. He is co-founder of Anchored North (anchorednorth.org) which produces and offers great videos of testimonies, podcasts and Honest Discourse with Christians and nonbelievers alike. Their Gospel content has more than 10 million views in over 180 countries. Most recently, his conversations with Mormons and other groups caught on his doorbell camera have gone viral (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XVQT5zkYLEg>).

Thank you, Greg, for all that you do for the Kingdom of God.

## *Monthly Business Luncheons*

*Our March Luncheon will be **March 3rd!** The Luncheon begins at **11:20 a.m.** Of course, we'll have our famous fried chicken and all the fixing's! We look forward to seeing you all at Calvary!*

*Speaker – **Elder John Matthew** from B'rit Hadasha Messianic Jewish Synagogue.*

*Our **59th Anniversary Luncheon** Speaker for April 7th is **Andy Bramlett.***

**I WANT TO BE A PART OF THE MIRACLE & PROVIDE A BETTER PLACE FOR HOMELESS MEN!**

**Website: calvaryrescuemission.org**

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For a Total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Enclosed is my first payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. I want to make a One Time Donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

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