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**CHAPEL FUNDS AVAILABLE**

**TO DATE: \$1,910,821.54**

“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:**

"Instead of your shame you will receive a double portion, and instead of disgrace you will rejoice in your inheritance. And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and everlasting joy will be yours."

Isaiah 61:7



Dear Friends in Christ:

These are exciting days at Calvary Rescue Mission. The number of men coming to Calvary is near an all time high. Men are praying to receive Jesus Christ and attending discipleship, addiction recovery, and Christ centered financial training classes. We are soon to receive bids on our new chapel construction. It will be so nice to have a new chapel, a place set apart for the worship of God. Thank you all so very much for your ongoing prayers, help and support

Burdens are truly Lifted at Calvary,

Bob Freudiger,

Executive Director      calvaryrescue@att.net



**Our Volunteers!**



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## Calvary's Client ...

Fernando Rodriguez was born and raised in Melrose Park, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. He lived in an abusive home and when he was 14 years old, he and his older brother and older sister left home in different directions, never to return. The last time he saw his brother, his face was covered with blood. He was able to live with a friend's family in nearby Franklin Park and finish high school.



Fernando has worked in construction most of his life. He was working in Memphis in 2020 when he was saved and baptized by a local pastor. Most recently, he lost a construction job in North Mississippi and was dropped off at the Tennessee - Mississippi State Line without getting any pay. He lived on the streets for about a week until we had that severe cold weather in January. A bus took him to a warming center and the Hospitality Hub brought him to Calvary Rescue Mission, paying for him to stay.

He said that he really didn't want to come to a mission but is so glad that he came to Calvary Rescue Mission. When Fernando came to Calvary Rescue Mission, he said that he had lost all hope of finding anyone who was not evil. Arriving at Calvary changed all of that. He felt welcomed, loves chapel services and has regained hope. Fernando now helps in the kitchen and is a great help to us.

## NEEDS & PRAYERS

**Needs:** Coffee, Paper products: paper towels, napkins, heavy duty plates and bowls; Individually wrapped Snacks especially cupcakes, Twinkies and the like, Chips, breakfast meats (bacon, sausage and ham) and eggs.

**Praise:** Please praise God for so many people who willingly go out of their way to share the Light of God's love with others at a time when they need it most.

**Please pray:** Please pray that we receive favorable bids for the construction of our new chapel now that our prayers for the construction plans to be completed have been answered.

**Please pray:** Please pray especially for more families and groups to be the light by serving or providing and serving dinner for the men who live at Calvary Rescue Mission and staying for our nightly chapel service.

**Please pray:** Please pray especially for those who come to Calvary Rescue Mission seeking shelter from the cold weather, that they will find so much more in a relationship with our Lord and Savior!

YOU CAN FINANCIALLY HELP CALVARY ...  
WITHOUT IT COSTING YOU A PENNY!!!

If you shop at Kroger you can register for your Kroger Rewards Card at:  
Kroger.com.communityrewards Our No. is XV227. We would appreciate you signing up with Kroger's listing Calvary Rescue Mission as your charity so we will receive a percentage of your purchases. Last Quarter: **\$948.01**

# Calvary Rescue Mission 57th Anniversary Open House!

This is your special invitation to Calvary Rescue Mission's Open House for Our 57th Anniversary Celebration!! Mark your calendars for April 2, 2023, 11:30 - 1:00pm.



## **Rev. Dennis Kirk, Speaker**

Dennis Kirk was born and raised in Memphis, graduating from Raleigh Egypt High School. After high school he went down a very dark path that led to 201 Poplar. Praise God that he was saved at age 26 and called to ministry two years later. After serving in Memphis, he was called to pastor a church in the Knoxville area where he served for 15 years. Nine years ago, he was called to lead a church in Middle Tennessee at Tennessee Ridge Baptist. He and his wife have 3 daughters, 1 son, 2 sons-in-law, and 2 grandchildren.

## **Special Music by Jim Rowland!**



### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU TO HELP -**

Volunteers to coordinate with Dennis Rutledge, 901-775-2570, to bring or prepare meals for the Men's evening meals.

Ladies/Men who want to Volunteer to serve at our Luncheons, please contact Dennis Rutledge, 901-775-2570.

### **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.

Please contact: Hatch\_CRM@outlook.com

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

Send acknowledgement to: \_\_\_\_\_  
(relationship to person)

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

# “Quite a Legacy”, by Dennis Rutledge



## Chicken Champions

Dr. Lesley & Nancy Binkley

Mack & Barbara Rickman

William & Annette  
Mariencheck

William & Marsha  
Thompson

Fellowship M B Church

**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

### 2024

Lodgings	2,118
Meals	6,354
Clothing	136
Saved	35

At the end of this month, we will reach a brand-new landmark: on March 31st we will complete 57 years of ministry to our homeless community and begin year 58 on April 1st. Most people will observe April 1st as "April Fool's Day", but we will observe it as the start of 58 years of operating in God's will. Milton and Betty Hatcher opened Calvary Rescue Mission on April 1, 1967, to help men who were exactly like Milton had recently been: addicted to alcohol and needing to stop chasing alcohol and follow Jesus!

The very first home for Calvary Rescue Mission was 863 Jackson Avenue in a strip shopping center. When you are helping men get away from alcohol you typically want to be as far away from alcohol as possible. Milton, however, did things differently. He leased a storefront space that shared a wall with a bar because he had a plan. Milton turned the speakers of his sound system against the wall so that each night as he proclaimed the Gospel message, it was heard in the mission AND in the bar. There were many nights that men left their bar stools to enter Calvary Rescue Mission and repent!

We are now at 960 South Third Street and have been since 1972. Since April 1, 1967 through today more than 29,000 souls have been saved at Calvary Rescue Mission! I get so excited every time that I meet someone who tells me that they are saved because they attended a youth retreat and responded to a message from Brother Milton. We have no idea how many people have attained eternal life because of Milton Hatcher's salvation and conviction to help others, but we do know that because of Betty Hatcher's insistence that Milton attend church with her, far more than 29,000 people will enter into the presence of our Lord and Savior and praise Him forever!

## Upcoming Monthly Luncheons

**Our Next Luncheon will be on March 5, 2024.**

**Our guest speaker is Chuck Marion.**

***The Luncheon begins at 11:00 a.m.. Chuck will be sharing his testimony! I know you will not want to miss hearing how God has changed his life! Of course, we'll have Robert's famous fried chicken and all the fixing's! We look forward to seeing you all at Calvary!***



**Our April 2, 2024 Luncheon speaker will be Rev. Dennis Kirk, and Special music by Jim Rowland!! Can't wait to see you!**

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

**Website: calvaryrescuemission.org**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

I PLEDGE TO GIVE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ MONTHLY, YEARLY for \_\_\_\_\_ YEARS (Circle One)

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

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