



MISSION OF THE MONTH

January 2016

Hendersonville Rescue Mission

Our story began in 1981 with a man named George Cox and a Little Debbie food truck... our modern day story of the "fishes and loaves"!

George was studying at Fruitland Bible Institute and driving a Little Debbie truck for a living at the time, and everyday he went through 7th Avenue seeing the people in need and feeling God's tug to do something to help; he just wasn't sure what. Then one day at church, a fellow member handed him \$50 and said, "George this is for your ministry." Mr. Cox took that money and purchased a commercial sized coffee maker, and with his expired yet edible Little Debbie cakes, set up shop in the area that would soon become home to the Hendersonville Rescue Mission. He worked tirelessly to feed those in need and prayed for further guidance on what to do next. Through his prayer and generous donations from the community, HRM no longer just serves delicious hot, balanced meals to the public, but also provides shelter, guidance, education, support and hope to those looking to better their lives.

Our Mission Today: The general purpose of the Hendersonville Rescue Mission shall be to minister to needy persons by way of presenting the Gospel of Jesus Christ to them and helping to provide for their spiritual and physical needs.

The following testimonials are from men and women who have found hope at the Hendersonville Rescue Mission:

"There are many ways the Hendersonville Rescue Mission has given me inspiration: 1. Gave me hope where there was none. 2. That with God, I can do anything. 3. Don't give up and never stop trying. 4. Not to be so down on myself. 5. That I can change my life. 6. I don't have to lie or be ashamed. 7. I can start to like the new me. 8. THAT I AM SOMEBODY."

—**Johnnie M.**

"When I was facing eviction, my children were scared, and I was, too. We came to the mission, though I felt I had failed the children by becoming homeless. Everyone at the mission made me feel better, and I was told that God had a plan for me. I feel good learning more about God and what He does for us. Now, I have a good job and am actively looking for housing. I know with God I can do anything, but without Him, my life would be full of sin and depression. After accepting God into my life, I am a new person with a new outlook on life. Being here at the mission has really opened my eyes to the Lord, and I thank Him and the mission for this blessing. Now, instead of feeling like a failure, I know God has a plan. My life and my children's future will all come together in His time. "

—**Vicki R.**

"It is with giving praise and honor to God that we let you know that He has blessed us with a place to live. It has indeed been a blessing to have been allowed to move into the mission when we had no place to go. We truly thank God for all of you and the wonderful work you do. That God will continue to bless all of you is our prayer. We will stay in touch with you in order to give back as we have been given. With love and sincere appreciation,"

—**Michael and Deborah S.**

Volunteers and donors are such a vital part of our ministry, and we couldn't keep our doors open without you. Our volunteers help out in the following areas: front desk, meal servers, chapel speakers, devotions, clothing closet, clinic. Call us at 828-697-1354 or email us at office@hendersonvillerescuemission.com. For information on donating items such as food or clothing, call us at 828 697-1354 or email us at volunteer@hendersonvillerescuemission.com.