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50 years of caring for those in need

VISION

**Winston-Salem
Rescue Mission**

- New Life Center
- Alpha Acres
- 90-Day Program
- Medical/Dental
- Clothing Closet
- Food Pantry
- Thrift Store



Communicating Our Mission

Director Dan Narvaez is a former pastor with a business background who combines his love for the Lord and his heart and compassion for the men with knowledge and experience in marketing and development. He is eager to speak with you about the Mission or our 50th Anniversary Banquet and so please feel free to contact him at dan.narvaez@wsrescue.org or call him at 336-723-1848 ext. 139.

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Dan Narvaez our new Director of Marketing and Development arrived in May at the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission to manage all aspects of the marketing and development work of the Mission and to communicate it to current and future donors of the ministry. The job is comprehensive as it deals with our vendors in direct mail, radio partners, video, graphics, social media, print and others, engaging a wide variety of strategies and initiatives. Some of those initiatives include email, newsletter, major gifts, legacy gifts, grant writing, church visits, business contacts, direct mail, foundations, banquets, fundraisers, and of course our 50th anniversary banquet.

In order to gauge awareness of the Mission in the community, Dan began with a simple question to any person who would answer: "Do you know the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission? If so, can you tell me what you know about it?" Much to his surprise he learned that many people did not realize the full scope of the Mission's outreach. He quickly realized the need to communicate the vast and extensive work we do every day.

At the heart of our ministry are residential recovery programs for men in downtown Winston and Alpha Acres in Yadkinville. These programs focus on spiritual development, addiction recovery, education, life skills, GED, work therapy, integrated Biblical counseling, and progress assessment.

Join us in welcoming Dan and his family to the Mission, and praying for him as he takes on this vital work in the years ahead.

Ken Heater, Executive Director

If you have given a gift, or a tribute of honor or memorial in 2017, please look for your listing on our website at WSRescue.org.

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Mission Moment

Psalms 23 is extremely encouraging as it reveals the perfect Shepherd, Jesus Christ, who is unique in every way and has no equal. His care, love and provision for us are beyond our understanding and experience. This truth also impacts men in our residential addiction recovery programs, and individuals in our community. What a blessing it is to see the change in their lives as they apply truth.

“The Perfect Shepherd Supplies Our Every Need”

If you are discouraged today, turn to this perfect Shepherd who is the answer to your every need. In Psalm 23 we see that He supplies the following:

- **Provides for Physical Needs** – He is all we ever need, He shows us love and tenderness, and gives us rest and refreshment
- **Provides for Spiritual Needs** – He restores our soul, leads us in His righteousness walk, removes our fear by His presence, and supplies protection and comfort
- **Provides for Emotional Needs** – He honors and blesses us, ministers to us, and shows us overflowing kindness
- **Provides for Future Needs** – He gives us goodness and mercy all of our lives, and prepares for us to live with Him in His presence forever

You too can find this comfort and blessing in your time of need. Please consider Psalm 23 for yourself.



I have personally experienced complete comfort and blessing in His presence in the midst of difficult circumstances and trials. Only He can make this difference, and I am extremely grateful for His mercy, grace and provision! Thank you for partnering with us.

May God richly bless you!

Ken Heater,
Executive Director



MISSION NEEDS

- **Volunteers** to assist in Thrift Store, Clothing Closet, computer lab and GED program
- Non-perishable **food donations**
- **Donated Thrift Store** items
- Residential **room renovations**
- **New roof** for medical building

Because you gave in 2016, WSRM had 76 program graduates, 24 obtained employment/housing, 9 continued with college education or completed a GED. WSRM also provided 1,700 men, women and children with free medical and dental care at our clinic. 1,492 received free clothing, 358 men received lodging and we provided over 310,000 meals. We also serve our community with a “client choice” food pantry and a 44,000 sq. ft. Thrift Store that can furnish any apartment or home.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Graduation of Our Residents	Cedar Grove	September 15
50th Anniversary Banquet	Benton Convention Center	October 26
Mission 5K	Downtown Winston-Salem	November 4

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God is continuing to work through the ministry here at Alpha Acres. We have seen so much growth in our residents since our last newsletter. We have seen **two souls saved**, and **two others publicly identifying with Christ through baptism** in just a couple of weeks! Not only that, **two men have successfully transitioned** out of the program and **two others are set to move into transition** by the end of July! God is good! Here are some words from two of our residents entering the transition phase.



Kyle Parker

Before I came to Alpha Acres, I was living a selfish addict's life. I relied on drugs and getting the next fix. As you can imagine, that lifestyle led to legal troubles. I ended up in jail and then I heard about Alpha Acres. Soon after, I got the chance to be released from jail to come here. In the beginning its tough, but Jesus made me a better person. I've been here for eight months. In the beginning, there was a lot of "not knowing" but coming into the transition period, I am one hundred percent sure I am ready to start my life over. A new beginning. Leave the old in the past, and strive for a better future. I'm thankful for the chance to be able to change my life – through Alpha Acres, I have been led down the right path – how to walk the Christian walk. "Through all things, Christ strengthens me."



Jamie Dollyhigh

Alpha Acres has been life changing for me. God has worked in my life and I now have a relationship with someone that loves me more than I could ever love anyone else, and that's God. I feel blessed to have the opportunity to come here. If a person is seriously wanting to change their life, the means and personnel are here – if they're willing to be honest with themselves. I came here nine months ago willing to make a change. Even when I didn't want to put in the effort, the Alpha Acres staff wanted to help me. It means so much to see people that wouldn't give up on me and wouldn't let me give up on myself. And for that, I want to sincerely thank Alpha Acres and staff.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Scott Cushing

Scott Cushing, one of our most loyal and enterprising volunteers, recently received a Gold Award at the 2017

Governor's Volunteer Service Award Banquet. The Gold Award represents 500 volunteer hours in one year at their organization. Scott has worked in WSRM Food Service for over six years. He loves WSRM and knows the impact it has on the residents, the outreach community, and our surrounding area and loves to share that with others. We are very blessed to have Scott as one of our volunteers.



Howard Coleman

While I was in the Mission's 90-day Life Builders program, I began Work Therapy at the Mission's Thrift

Store where I discovered my niche for helping arrange and organize donations. My life was beginning to have a purpose again. The Lord was teaching me about helping others.

At present, there is peace in my life. I am happy to be part of the Mission and volunteer in the Thrift Store. My desire is to be involved in the lives of my grandkids. I give God the glory for how He has worked in my life!



Blue Ridge Burke Insurance

Through HandsOn Northwest NC, the WSRM was selected as a recipient of their generosity. Members

of the Blue Ridge Burke Insurance Department of BB&T volunteered four days and supplied funding for their materials. They cleaned, painted, restored, laid carpet, cleaned carpet, provided shelving and storage. In addition to many projects completed by this amazing group, they purchased a new Bissell carpet cleaning machine.

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Celebrating Our 50th Anniversary

Banquet Table Captains

Each table will have 10 seats, and we are looking for **30 table captains** who will commit to providing a lead gift and recruiting individuals to help raise the remaining amount for the table goal.

Platinum	\$50,000 table
Gold	\$35,000 and \$25,000 tables
Silver	\$15,000, \$10,000 and \$5,000 tables
Bronze	\$2,500, \$1,500 and \$1,000 tables

Our overall goal is
\$500,000

This will fulfill our mission of helping men be restored in our one-year addiction recovery programs in downtown Winston and Alpha Acres.

On average the ministry invests \$25,000 per year per man, and this goal will enable us to take care of 20 men for the entire year.

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