



"A planting of the Lord for the display of His splendor." Isaiah 61:3

June 9, 2017

To our Partners in Ministry,

**Women are being released from prison in record numbers with limited resources and no rehabilitation; returning to the same people, places, and habits with the same results — prison.** As the Church, we are called to reach out to these women, to restore and heal those who are broken and in great need. The women who live at Oaks of Righteousness want a relationship with God. They want to lead a sober life. They desire God's plan to give them hope and a future.

Thanks to your support, the **Oaks of Righteousness provides this ministry.** We are now entering our 4<sup>th</sup> year having served 16 women whose lives have been transformed and healed. Consider Maria, one of our residents. She was pregnant at 16, incarcerated, and estranged from her family. She is now sober, gainfully employed and reunited with her family. We give God the glory for His transforming power, as He renews and heals those who continue to seek Him.

When a new resident enters the program, she arrives with virtually nothing. **Your gift clothes her, shelters and feeds her, and provides the faith-based programs, classes, job training, and community** she needs to heal and face the world with confidence.

Your gift provides a licensed counselor on site to offer personal counseling each week for the first three months. A caring, capable House Manager oversees the daily activities, provides transportation, leads daily devotionals, and maintains peace and order in the house. Volunteers teach a variety of recovery classes each day including money management, Bible studies, and 12 Steps programs. They also encourage and pray for our residents.

**This ministry is not cheap. Monthly expenses average \$8,000.** We continue to be blessed with community, business, and area church support. But these donations are not necessarily predictable or consistent. With your help, we could cover our monthly commitment to these women!

**We are asking you to prayerfully consider becoming an Oaks Sustainer through a monthly or quarterly commitment.** A gift of any size will help us reach our goal. And, please consider asking your employer to match your sustaining gift to leverage your giving to even greater heights.

Please use the enclosed card to record your sustaining gift and then return it in the envelope provided.

**We have seen God work transforming miracles at The Oaks because you have made these women your priority!** We thank you for your continued faithfulness to them.

To God be the glory,  
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