

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

April 17, 2017

Dear Oaks of Righteousness Supporters,

We are so thankful for the ongoing prayer, financial, volunteer, and community support from our many friends and partners as we begin our third year of operation for the Oaks of Righteousness. Since 2014, fifteen residents have been in the recovery program at Oaks of Righteousness. Many of these women are now sober, employed, living on their own in adequate housing, and continuing to recover from problems such as homelessness, incarceration and addiction. The tools they learned in recovery and the relationship they share with Jesus Christ have equipped them with strength and courage to persevere. We give God the praise for transforming and renewing lives for His Kingdom purpose.

At the present time, we have three residents and are expecting one more in the near future. The house is filling up. Kristie and Tonya will complete their three month recovery program in April and then begin job readiness training in May with employment to follow. They are excited to start a new journey in their life, but have some fear of the unknown. Caring volunteers, mentors, and staff are at their side through this time, praying, encouraging and affirming them through this process.

Graduation is a joyous time at Oaks of Righteousness for the resident and the ministry. After completing one year in the program, Leticia graduated in January 2017. She is now working part-time, has her own apartment, a car, and attends cosmetology school during the day. God has a plan for Leticia to give her hope and a future.



Leticia's graduation party in January

The emotional and spiritual needs of formerly incarcerated women can be great. We are blessed to provide a licensed counselor for our residents and a loving House Manager. Also, the daily expense of keeping a safe home operating is ongoing. The success of the Oaks of Righteousness ministry is due in part to the generosity and giving of others. Join us as we support the Oaks of Righteousness on April 23 at 4:00 PM for a Sola Gratia concert at Kingwood United Methodist Church. All proceeds from the concert will benefit the women and ministry of Oaks of Righteousness.

In His Service, Board of Directors The Oaks of Righteousness