



A planting of the Lord for the display of His splendor.

Isaiah 61:3

September - December 2018

Celebrating Second Chances

Mark your calendars, buy your tickets, and join us November 13, 2018, for a night of rejoicing at The Overlook, 20114 Pinehurst Drive, Atascocita, celebrating the second chances that God provides for us. We will have a silent auction with sports memorabilia and other unique items, holiday centerpieces to buy, a cash bar, and some surprises.

J.R. Richard, the legendary pitcher for the Houston Astros, is our keynote speaker, and he understands the importance of second chances.

After touring the Oaks of Righteousness house in August, J.R. and his wife, Lula, became interested in the restorative work of the Oaks and he agreed to share his story of lost faith and redeeming grace.

Come and meet this legendary man, enjoy excellent food, and support the Oaks of Righteousness in the restorative work this transitional house provides for women ex-offenders.



J.R. Richard and wife, Lula, visit the Oaks

Tickets for the Dinner and Auction go on sale September 30.

Purchase tickets online at www.oaksoftexas.org.

J.R. Richard to Speak

On November 13, J. R. Richard will be the guest speaker at our dinner and auction's at The Overlook in Atascocita.

J.R., former starting pitcher in Major League Baseball who played his entire career, from 1971 to 1980, with the Houston Astros, started off the 1980 season being named to the All Star team for the first time and the starting pitcher for the National League. And no wonder! He had a 10-4 record with a 1.96 ERA. There was no one more feared on the mound than J.R., but all that was about to change and no one saw it coming.

J.R.'s testimony will inspire everyone, from his personal experience as arguably the best pitcher in baseball at his peak, through his fall to "rock bottom," and on to his recovery in Christ. Come hear J.R.'s own account of his life challenges, his struggle, and inspirational recovery.

With Heartfelt Thanks

... to the congregation of Kingwood United Methodist Church and for their very generous June Altar Rail offering that covered over a month's worth of Oaks' expenses

... to The Story UMC for the amazing amount of household goods they've provided for the Oaks

... to the youth and leaders of KUMC and their hard work at making our yard beautiful this year.

Cynthia Graduates!

On June 15, the Oaks of Righteousness community gathered to celebrate Cynthia Hayden's graduation from the Oaks. The many people involved in her growth and completion of activities and programs came together at the house to honor Cynthia and her accomplishments. She was an exceptional resident. Cynthia said that meeting Beth Whittier (our Executive Director) was a true blessing of God, for it led to a safe place in which to work on herself and to step out into life instead of stepping back. She was determined to make changes and build a new life, which she did through programs like Celebrate Recovery and Work Faith. She also completed training in managing her finances, Christian counseling, Bible studies, and other such programs.

She said she delighted in completing things, and she enjoyed receiving her certificates of completion from Celebrate Recovery, WorkFaith, and now from the Oaks of Righteousness. Cynthia has spoken eloquently on behalf of the Oaks on several occasions. She is now employed at Jimmy John's, is restored to at least part of her family, and is serving as a weekend relief worker at the house. She is an excellent role-model to the other residents. Congratulations, Cynthia!



Cynthia slices her celebratory cake!

Featured Ministry Need

A used vehicle with tax-deductible donation, or sale, to Oaks for a resident

***Thank You to all our
Volunteers and Personal Donors!***

To bless us with a gift:

Post Office Box 1731
Humble, Texas 77347

Save the date and support the Oaks!

***** J.R. Richard - Featured Speaker *****

Tuesday, November 13, 6:30 p.m.

The Overlook in Atascocita

Dinner and Auction

* sports memorabilia *

* silent auction *

(including wine tasting for a group, condo usage, food and wine baskets - and more!)

*other surprises *

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