

### **R's Testimony October 3, 2016**

Because of my past experiences as a child and deciding to drink my problems away, I lost my marriage, my kids, my business, and even my Christian faith. I thank my Heavenly Father for leading me to Goshen Renewal Ministries to find freedom from my situation.

As a resident at Goshen Renewal Ministries, I have learned that my identity is not made up of my past mistakes, but I am a child of God, in Christ. I have also learned that this home is not a treatment center but a discipleship home where men learn to follow Jesus. I have felt the Holy Spirit's power like never before, for the first time in my life. I have been empowered to be able to make my own choices according to the will of God. I am also learning how to have a voice and a say in my decisions. I believe the only way out of all my trials and tribulations is to deal with them and to go through, regardless of the consequences.

After realizing I was sprinkled as a child into the Christian faith, and learning the meaning of baptism by immersion, the Holy Spirit prompted me to get baptized as an adult, as a declaration of my faith, making this faith my own.

I give God all the glory and praise for the changes I have seen in me. I thank God my faith is the strongest it has ever been in a long time. I know all things are possible with God and I know He has a great future for me. I know I will never look back, but will always look at Jesus for strength and help.