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**NEWSLETTER**

*Friends,*

*Well, it's December! Can you believe it? I guess time just flies, when you're having fun.*

*Believe it or not, it is fun at Grace Happens. Sometimes, disappointing, but mostly rewarding. To hear the stories of life of our residents is amazing. Then see them leave the program, and establish themselves back into society, with family and addiction free. Now this is rewarding. It is proof of what God will do, when He is Lord of our lives. Does all of our ladies exit our program to an addiction free life? Sadly, no. Being addiction free, doesn't solve all the burdens of life. Problems still exist. It's how an individual handles the problem. We teach that Jesus will handle these problems, if we will turn them over to him. He may not move as fast as we would like, or handle our problems to our expectations, but He will handle them. Just Trust Him!*

*Our house is definitely looking better. The resident's love for one another has turned it into a home. Repairs and upgrading is slow. We have volunteers waiting to work. We are waiting for the monies required to purchase the materials. God provides us with extra monies sometimes, but we get anxious to move faster. We have to remind ourselves, daily, to Trust in the Lord. We know He will provide, and know that we know. But, still we get impatient.*

*Currently, we have six residents in our program. One of these is in the second phase of our program, and is working part time. She is on course for completion in mid-January, 2008. Two (2) of our former residents have returned to Grace happens, to do volunteer work as "house moms". They say that they just want to give back to God, because of what He has done for them.*

*Our entire staff is all Christian volunteers and currently we do not have anyone on paid staff. Although, full time, compensated staff is needed, we just don't have the finances to accommodate that need. Please remember us in your prayers and thoughts.*

*Our current monthly expenses are as follows:*

<i>Rent-----</i>	<i>\$1500.00</i>
<i>Utilities-----</i>	<i>350.00</i>
<i>Telephone-----</i>	<i>122.00</i>
<i>Gasoline-----</i>	<i>280.00</i>
<i>Auto Ins.-----</i>	<i>235.00</i>
<i>Liability-----</i>	<i>191.00</i>

Lease Maintenance-----	300.00*
Study Literature-----	250.00**
Miscellaneous-----	300.00***
Conservative Total-----	\$3528.00****

*\*This figure is derived from the amount of labor and materials needed to update the facility. It fluctuates with the amount of financial availability*

*\*\*At present, the literature needed to teach the program is running at \$250.00 per resident. Those that can afford to buy their books, do so. Those that can't, Grace happens, Inc., provides the needed literature, but the resident must return literature to GH on their departure. This literature needs to remain with the resident, and become part of their library for future reference.*

*\*\*\*Includes household supplies, food, etc.*

*\*\*\*\*Currently, there is a need to ask each resident to pay \$500.00 per month for services rendered. (This does not include the monies due for literature.) We have tow (2) partial scholarship fundings at present. This funding is fulfilled approximately three-fourths of one (1) resident's monthly due bill. We find it extremely difficult to turn anyone away, that really desires help. So, this conviction has brought two (2) ladies to our program, without any type of financial support. We know that GOD will provide in His time and place.*

*We're still in need of volunteers to work as house managers (moms), facilitate classes, skilled labor, and general labor. Should you feel a passion for our cause, feel free to contact us.*

*Well, I've given you a summary of what's happening at Grace. Until the next time, we will remain,*

*In His service,*

*Anita Gibson, founder  
Grace Happens, Inc.*