



Dear Friends,

Another mile-marker has been reached in the life of Andrew! He has reached the finish line for his time spent in Teen Challenge. Now he will follow his dream to become the man that God has created him to be.

“My name is Andrew. I grew up in the Greenville/Greer area. I went to church as a young boy and even joined a church group called Royal Rangers. But all this did not prevent me from making some very bad choices in life. I began using pot and other drugs. This escalated to some of the hardest drugs that I am very ashamed of doing. I did some awful things to get these drugs and hurt a lot of people. After a time, my life became a nightmare of run-ins with the law and shame to my family. Eventually, I was incarcerated with some very serious charges. I figured at that time that my life would be spent in prison; and, basically my life was over.

A family friend who knew about Teen Challenge introduced me to an open door to come and get my life together. At first I figured it was a quick way out of jail; and, I thought I could continue to fake people out. There was much legal maneuvering that took two months to go through the lawyers and court to get permission to come here. Eventually, I received the word I had been approved to transfer; but, then embarrassment of having to arrive in a “state official car” was tacked on to the delay.

This year has been an indescribable time of change. Physically, I’m not the 107 lb. skinny kid I was. Emotionally, I have dealt with serious things from childhood; and, spiritually I am a new person (creation) and God is now #1 in my life. When I leave here, I have some things to clean up and debts to pay. But, I have a dream of being involved in youth ministry and looking forward to bringing hope to others.”

We are all pulling for Andrew to be a shining light in his corner of the world. His life verse while here is Isaiah 41:9 that says, “I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corner. I have chosen you and not rejected you.” I asked him if he wanted to add anything to this and he said, “PRAISE GOD HALLELUJAH, when do we eat”?

Thanks to the church that sponsored Andrew into the program; and, thank you to all of you who have given this year. Because of your help, Andrew gets a second chance at life.

Helping Hurting People,

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Service Schedule - August 2019

Sunday, August 4th - 11:00 a.m.

Faith Chapel
Blackville, SC

Sunday, August 11th - 10:30 a.m.

First Assembly of God
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