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NEW ORLEANS MISSION
LYNHAVEN RETREAT
GIVING HOPE RETREAT

JULY 2021
While last summer was a very difficult for all of us, God was still in control. Your support and God’s amazing grace impacted so many lives at the Mission in 2020. Now, it’s a new year and we are getting back to normal. Our wonderful volunteers are back; we will actually be running in our 8th Annual Big Easy Big Heart Run; and so many more exciting things.

I can’t thank you enough for your continued prayers and support. You make it possible for hurting women and men to heal from addiction and start new lives. The meals, shelter, Christian counseling and so much more makes a difference.

But that’s not all. Faithful partners like you are a part of the largest anti-hunger network in Louisiana. Our Mission Pantry has been a blessing to food insecure residents in New Orleans, St. Tammany Parrish and other areas. Hungry men, women and families receive much needed food boxes because of you.

I hope you will visit the Mission and see first-hand the incredible impact you’re having. Call 504.523.2116 to schedule your visit. Again, thank you for your generous support. It truly makes a difference!

Sincerely,

David Bottner
Chief Executive Officer

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

— Matthew 6:21 | NKJV

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Lynhaven Retreat

Each year at this beautiful property in Hammond, hundreds of women struggling with addiction and abuse come for healing. They experience hope and a new life through the Women’s Discipleship Program that you help support.

But, did you know that Lynhaven is also a wonderful location for parties, banquets and picnics? Women participating in the program assist with special events on the property to earn income and learn all aspects of the service industry, including culinary and serving skills.

To book an event email Emily at: emily@lynhavenevents.com
Moving Closer to God

In middle school, I struggled with all the awkwardness of that time and was desperately searching for self-worth. Sadly, I tried to find it with the wrong crowd and was smoking marijuana at the age of 12. Over the years, I graduated to more dangerous drugs like heroin.

Things got so bad I lost everything. My fiancé left me . . . I lost my house . . . I lost my job. My mom was the only person who would take me in, but it came with a condition – I had to get help.

A pastor at a local church told me about Giving Hope Retreat, the men’s recovery campus of the New Orleans Mission. I left a message asking for help. Wendell called and he listened to me share my story for over an hour. The next day I was at Giving Hope.

I am a Christian, but over time, I had moved away from God and let other things become my god. Now, I know I am nothing without God. Because of your support, I am moving closer to God every day and have a new life.

“I had to get help.” - Nick

ADDICTION RUINED MY LIFE!

My grandmother raised me and over the years, I began to rebel, which lead to drinking with friends. Alcohol soon controlled my life. The first thing I thought about when I woke up in the morning and the last thought before bed at night was taking a drink.

That addiction ruined my life. I didn’t care about people, I only cared about where I would get the next drink. My ex-husband told me he found a place where I could get my life together – Lynhaven Retreat. I am so thankful God had him tell me about Lynhaven.

From day one, they accepted and loved me. Your support, the volunteers, and the team at Lynhaven helped take me from the path to Hell to walking in the Light. There was such a sense of freedom when I accepted God’s

“I am free!” - Denise

Become a Monthly Partner!

It takes hundreds of hands and thousands of dollars to minister to our guests at Giving Hope Retreat.

Our monthly partners play a critical role in making it all possible by having a gift drafted monthly through a credit card or checking account.

When you become a monthly partner, your giving becomes a constant lifeline of support to those we serve. Each gift you send provides hope for a better life today and the promise of a brighter, more secure future tomorrow. Moreover, your monthly gift saves us administrative and fundraising costs.

To become a monthly partner, complete the information on the reverse side and send it back with the enclosed envelope.

For more information, please call 985-218-9121.
Volunteers are vital to the heartbeat of the New Orleans Mission. We depend on groups, families and individuals to bring food to impoverished areas and to help serve lunch or dinner. There are so many other opportunities to connect talented individuals with skilled labor. If you, your church or civic organization would like to volunteer your time or talents or participate in outreach fill out a volunteer form here https://neworleansmission.org/get-involved.

Building Hope
Check out our recent flooring, electrical, lighting & stage sound system installation at Saints Community Church. Give us a call for all of your remodeling needs. We do everything; electrical, plumbing, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, drywall and paint. You can contact us at (985) 687-7797 and ask for Jason.