



# Roseburg Rescue Mission

*A Beacon of Hope  
for the Homeless*

**50** *Years*  
1964-2014

NOVEMBER 2014

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## *With Thankful Hearts*

*Rochelle was eating for herself and her unborn child.*

*Since the photo was taken, baby Emily was born.  
Good nutrition is so important for an expectant mother.*

*We have so much to be thankful for this  
Thanksgiving. We look forward, with thankful hearts,  
to a new, larger Samaritan Inn for homeless women  
and children. We are thankful that a day is coming  
soon when women and children in crisis will not be  
turned away for a lack of available beds. There will  
be a commercial kitchen large enough to cook several  
turkeys and a whole traditional Thanksgiving dinner  
for all the hungry. There is gratefulness that next year  
there will be room for every woman and child to eat  
Thanksgiving Dinner together in a single dining room.  
Soon there will be a chapel area large enough for all to  
praise the Lord at the same time.*

*We give thanks to the Lord for His bountiful  
provision, and now even to be a part of this new  
shelter in contributing to the remainder of what is  
needed to complete this project.*

*Have a Happy Thanksgiving,  
Lynn Antis, Executive Director*



## My Special Gift For The New Samaritan Inn

**Yes!** I want to help provide a new, larger facility for homeless women and children. Please specify contribution for New Samaritan Inn and for November's operation expenses.

For New Samaritan Inn: \$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$\_\_\_\_\_

For November's Operation: \$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please accept my donation by:

**Check:** PLEASE ENCLOSE

**Credit Card:** CIRCLE ONE



Exp.: \_\_\_\_\_



*Thank you for using the enclosed envelope. You  
will receive a receipt for your tax deductible gift.*

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Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

## Thanksgiving Dinner Menu Items Needed:

Turkey  
Potatoes  
Boxed Stuffing  
Gravy Mix  
Yams  
Salad  
Rolls  
Cranberry Sauce  
Mixed Vegetables  
Pie  
Whipped Cream  
Coffee

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Thanksgiving  
Day Dinner at the  
Mission at 1PM

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**Sock Drive**  
We need new socks  
to give away at  
our Thanksgiving  
Dinner as an extra  
way of saying we  
really care for all  
the needs of the  
homeless. Have a  
sock drive at your  
church or school.  
Let's make some  
happy feet!

## Breaking Point

In high school and into Christina's early adulthood, life seemed like a conflict between family and church on one side, and friends and school on the other. She was living between two incompatible cultures. Home life was good; her social sphere of influence was corrupt. Her loving, adoptive parents were powerless to convince a self-willed teenager of the danger in making the wrong choices. In the natural transition from the dependence of childhood to the independence of adulthood, a person searches for their identity, even a social group to identify with. Sometimes its just the acceptance of a group, any group, that draws a person into a social order. Sometimes there are not a lot of choices in company. Combine that with the human traits of curiosity and rebellion, trouble happens.

Three years ago, when Christina was 22-years-old and Lucius was 3-months-old, the consequences really became evident. Child Protection Services was anonymously notified that she and her child were living in an unacceptable situation. She needed to get away from the baby's father. The bridges to home were burnt. She had never held a job more than a couple of months. She had custody of Lucius because she had no criminal history, but unless she could support her child in a safe place, the state would take custody. Reluctantly, she and her baby went to Samaritan Inn.



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back on the right road."**

to think about, mommy-mode kicked in. I needed someone to get me back on the right road."

Christina was at a breaking point, that point of consciously choosing her lifestyle, not just following along with the crowd, her peer group. She was at a point of falling headlong into a lifestyle that she did not really want, but felt trapped in. She needed to be rescued. When she was held accountable, presented with her options, Christina stayed with the way in which she was raised. She said, "I was reminded to, 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind' Luke 10:27. Samaritan Inn really saved Lucius and myself. It was up to me to accept the change and God would never give me more than I could handle. I had to have faith in Him." She has now mended broken family relationships and attends the same church with her parents.

Over two years ago, Christina moved out of Samaritan Inn, after an eight month stay. Now, she has completed her education, held a job longer than ever before and is living independently with her children.

Christiana said, "I was at a breaking point. It was nerve-racking to come to Samaritan Inn. I felt like my world was a snow globe, everything shattered to pieces. Everyone I grew up around was in the same cycle. I had ambitions to go to school. I felt stuck. I had to hang around these guys. I heard stories about losing kids through DHS, that was my fear. It was the same old stuff, different day, no opportunities, going nowhere at all, no job, no money. Sometimes you just need a little push; Samaritan Inn was my little push. I didn't mind the rules; curfew and devotion were just like when I was living at home. It motivated me. I liked the structure. I had Lucius

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***The New Samaritan Inn pictured from the back parking lot.***

