



Newsletter

Living the Gospel by Loving the Fatherless.

Living the Gospel by Loving the Fatherless — A Testimony



One of our goals for this year was to feature an impact story from many different people in our newsletters. Over the course of 2019, we featured stories of the impact Raleigh's Place has had on one of our board members, a local church, and a longtime camper. We have been greatly encouraged by the work God has done here at Raleigh's Place and in the lives of our friends and supporters. This was on full display at our Celebration event last month where we featured 12 different stories of how God has used Raleigh's Place to impact the lives of others. If you were unable to attend the Celebration event and read the

stories, do not fear, we will be publishing those on our website (raleighsplace.org), Facebook page (Raleigh's Place), and Instagram page (@raleighsplace) over the next several weeks. One of those stories is featured below from one of our Camp 1:27 counselors, Isabella Finley:

"At the end of May last year I felt strangely unsure about what to do with my summer vacation. Every year since I was 15 I'd known what my summer would hold: Girl Scout camp. I loved it and I knew the application was due soon and still I stalled. I had this feeling that God wanted me to wait. It was so unnerving to feel this confusion. I thought, "Maybe I'm losing my passion for helping kids." But then Mike came to speak at the Baptist Campus Ministry at my university. He talked about the kids that I grew to love so much this past summer but didn't know yet. And while I listened to him talk I heard a voice say, "This is it!" So I grabbed a pamphlet on my way out! This led to one of the most rewarding few weeks of my life. The joy that came every morning I was there was nothing short of incredible. The kids I got to lead were so special. They made me a Christian that desires a closer relationship with God because I got to see how much a relationship with God was impacting them. The sheer number of times I watched God work in unexpected ways to help me and the kids grow to trust in Him made it evident I was in the right place. From just making a kid feel special to watching one of my campers accept Christ, every minute was meaningful. I'm so grateful to God for asking me to serve at Raleigh's Place. It is a gift I don't deserve."



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Celebration Update

The Raleigh's Place Celebration was a huge success. The turnout was the best we have ever had. We appreciate everyone who donated gifts and/or gift cards. We had more items up for auction than ever before. We ended up raising over \$30,000! Thank you all for making this night a huge success.

Raleigh's Place is a Christ-centered foster care ministry. We desire to Live the Gospel by Loving the Fatherless. We are a 501c(3) organization; all contributions are tax-deductible.

Christmas Whistle-Stop

Our second annual Christmas Whistle-Stop is coming up November 15-16 from 10 AM - 7 PM each day. We will be having this event in our dining facility/worship area. We have several vendors offering all kinds of items for sale, including home decor, Christmas decorations, clothing, jewelry, and more. Please make plans to be there! We also have space for additional vendors. Visit our website or social media pages to find out more information.