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## IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS



### JESUS LOVES YOU!

God blessed us tremendously in May and we are excited about everything He is going to do in us, through us, and to us in the Month of June. We look forward to fellowship with you each and every week, as often as the Lord grants us. We are enthusiastic about our upcoming Faith and Freedom Festival rapidly approaching at the end of June here in Phelan.

Mark your calendar and plan to come out June 30th, 2018 to Serrano High School between 6 and 10 PM for our second annual Faith and Freedom Festival brought to you by New Life Church, Calvary Phelan, High Desert Baptist, Harvest Christian Center, Victorville Motors and us, Set Free Church of the High Desert. Admission is absolutely free and the event promises to be a blast. There will be food, live music, family fun, face painting, giveaways and even a skate park. Of course we can't forget...the FIREWORKS! You won't want to miss out, bring the entire family. Serrano High School is located at 9292 Sheep Creek Road in Phelan. For more information about this exciting upcoming event please call (760) 868-3805.

At Set Free Church of the High Desert, We know that a busy church is a growing church. We have many opportunities to serve the Lord throughout the week. Our *Ministry of the Word* team is constantly about the King's Work, reaching into the highways, byways, inner-cities, and alleys, river bottoms, and hospitals. Every Wednesday our Ministry of the Word team spreads love and joy with our family at the Apple Valley Post Acute Home. There we are blessed to share the time and the smiles and radiate Christ's love. What a privilege it is for us to be able to go into the home and enjoy this time of fellowship. We also love hitting the streets. On Saturdays, we do exactly that! We set up shop at the corner of 7th Street and La Paz most Saturday mornings...in May we had so much going on we missed a few weeks, but we are looking forward to being on location in the weeks ahead. There, we share Jesus with all whom He places in our path, radiating His light as ambassadors of His love. We love sharing the Word, prayer, food and fellowship in the community. We are typically there Saturday mornings between 11A and 2P. For more information please call Rico at 909-380-1885. JESUS LOVES YOU!



### **PASTOR'S CORNER**

BY PASTOR  
 RON THOMAS

*"Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart." (Luke 18:1 NKJV)*

We want to invite everyone to pray, and as we pray, remember to pray for Set Free Churches World Wide. We would also like to pray for our surrounding communities-Victorville, Apple Valley, Hesperia, Adelanto, Wrightwood, Pinon Hills, El Mirage and Phelan. We would also like to lift up in prayer our upcoming Faith and Freedom Festival that God uses this event to break chains in peoples lives that bind them. Pray for God to prepare hearts that many open up and receive Him as their Lord and Savior and recognize that He is the only one who can fill the void in their hearts and truly set them free. The Word of God tells us in John 8:36, "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." It is of great importance that we have a cover of prayer from this event and that we continue to pray for people to be set free from the chains of sin, addiction, lust and those things that hold us back so that we can enjoy the freedom of loving and worshiping the Lord. Please keep this event and our communities fervently lifted up in prayer as we approach the date, June 30th and during the event as well. We thank you for your continued prayer support. God Bless You!

-Pastor Ron



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# Word of our Testimony

## Jennifer's Testimony

My Name Is Jennifer Smith and this is my testimony. I had an amazing childhood, wonderful parents, and a husband of twenty years, three beautiful kids, the house, the cars, and the career. There was a point of my life where I thought I had it all-Everything you dream about as a young girl, thy typical American Dream, I suppose.

On the outside it all looked so good, but on the inside there was a feeling of loneliness, there was a void, something was missing. While searching for that missing piece is where I met and fell in love with Vodka. Love at first sight, Vodka filled the void, kept me company, and numbed the pain. It didn't take long however that drinking took over my whole life and became most important. I lost all control. Instead of numbing my pain, my drinking caused nothing but pain. This darkness, the sickness not only affected me, but it affected everyone around me, everyone that I loved and everyone that loved me.

Vodka, my drinking took everything from me, everything that mattered. I lost everything-total destruction, complete chaos. I hit rock bottom.

I tried everything I could to make it stop-treatment after treatment. I spent eleven years trying to take my life back, trying to gain control. With every attempt just came failure. I lost the battle; I had enough so I gave up and decided to end the suffering. So I tried to take my own life. Well obviously my attempt failed because I'm here sharing my testimony. There had to be a reason, a better purpose for my life.

A few months prior to this attempt to end it all, someone had told me about this place called Set Free that was structured around God. Honestly with nothing left to lose, I called the ranch. Turned out to be the best thing I could have done for myself. Broken, lost and afraid I walked through the door of the Women's Ranch

and was welcomed with open arms. I was surrounded by beautiful, powerful God-fearing women. These women were inspiring to me and showed me love. They knew the Lord and how to allow God to work in their lives. I always believed in God, but that was all. I didn't know Him. I never even opened a Bible until I got to the ranch. Once I started reading, I didn't want to put it down. I became hungry for the Word. Guide me, Teach me, everything you know, share His Word with me. It was the most incredible feeling I ever had when my heart was opened and I found God living inside of me. The past that caused so much pain and shame, He completely forgave me. The piece that was missing now has been made whole with His unconditional love. My darkness has been turned into light. The chains have been broken, my heart mended-I have been saved. I am alive and I have a purpose and with God I know all things are possible. This relationship I am building with my God, My Savior has been the best experience ever, almost indescribable, absolutely incredible.

So Thank You to the women at the Ranch for opening that door with your open arms and your inspiration so that I now have God on my side working in my life.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Smith

## Adriana's Testimony

My name is Adriana and this is my testimony. Growing up was pretty rough for me. I went from foster home to foster home, the group home to group home. I felt like a paycheck for some of them-like a lost soul with no real place to lay my head. I didn't even feel love until I was 15 years old. That's when I was adopted by

my Mom and Dad. I finally had a home with parents that not only loved me, they really wanted me-I had a family. I had a bedroom that was mine. I was safe, wanted, and loved. For the first time in my life, everything was going great, and it really was for awhile, but that's when I met and fell in love with what I thought was the love of my life. Shortly after we met, I found out I was pregnant with our daughter, which was the best thing that ever happened to me. But it turned out that my Mr. Right was Mr. Wrong and my life began to fall apart. I became very depressed to the point I didn't even want to get out of bed and I fell in my darkness. In order to deal with my pain I would cut and burn myself and numb myself with drugs and alcohol which helped for awhile, but wasn't enough. So I tried ending the pain for good by trying to take my life. In my past I had heard about Set Free but I wasn't willing to get help. However, I was so lost and broken and I knew something had to change. So I picked up the phone and reached out for help. That's how I got to Set Free Women's Ranch in Phelan, CA. To be honest at first I thought - Oh My...reading all day long in the Bible. What did I get myself into? But I opened my mind, my ears and my heart and I began to learn who God was and what He could do in my life, and my relationship began to grow. I even decided to show my love by being baptized. I am so grateful for the ranch and all the women there that have helped me on this journey. It has been a true blessing and the beginning of my new future in Christ.

