



## **Boise Rescue Mission Ministries**

Front Street Mission  
Lighthouse Rescue Mission  
City Light Women and Children's Home  
River of Life Rescue Mission

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### **PRESS RELEASE: BOISE RESCUE MISSION RIVER OF LIFE TO OPEN NEW KITCHEN SATURDAY**

On **Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**, Boise Rescue Mission's River of Life Rescue Mission will dedicate the newly constructed kitchen and renovated dining room. The River of Life will be Boise Rescue Mission's main center of operations for serving homeless men in Boise, the Mission having sold the old Front Street Mission and purchased the River of Life in February of this year.

With the construction of the new kitchen, the **River of Life will be able to house, feed, and clothe hundreds of homeless and needy men**, as well as providing them with services such as counseling, job training, financial accountability and work ethics training. "The goal of this mission is to help the men get back on their feet – a "hand up, not a hand out", so that they can become contributing members of society," said Mission Executive Director Bill Roscoe, "The acceptance and the love of God that they find here at the River of Life Mission is often the first step to a whole new life."

**Between May and September of this year, over 80 men transitioned out of homelessness and into their own housing through the River of Life** – and the numbers keep rising. The goal of a rescue mission is always to work itself out of a job, and we are making headway towards that here at the River of Life!

Tomorrow, the community is invited to join Reverend Roscoe, the board of the Boise Rescue Mission, Bruce Chatterton, Sally Zive, Pastor Montie Ralston, Pastor Bob Hoover, and other notable members of the community to dedicate this new construction, take a tour of the new kitchen and the River of Life Mission, and meet members of the New Life Recovery Program and Mission Staff.

**This project has been funded in large part by the Treasure Valley Community, and the Boise Rescue Mission and the homeless men who will come to the River of Life for help are so grateful for all that this compassionate community has done for the homeless.**

"God has blessed the Mission with a community of caring citizens who will not let those in need go hungry, and this kitchen is a result of their generosity," Roscoe said.

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