



CHANGING DESTINIES MINISTRY (CDM) STEPS TO FREEDOM

Newsletter Issue No. 1

**We provide awareness & prevention
education to the community
AND
a place of refuge for *survivors***

CHANGING DESTINIES ONE LIFE AT A TIME

27.6 MILLION

**Estimated number of those who are
trafficked worldwide
at any given time**

https://www.state.gov/humantrafficking-about-human-trafficking/#how_many

OUR VISION

*To see sex trafficked women encounter God's love,
experience transformation, and reintegrate into society.*

OUR MISSION

*To provide a place of refuge for sex trafficked women
in a Christ-centered residential program.*

Showing Tangible Evidence of God's Love and Affection through Our Actions

Rachel's Refuge

Rachel's Refuge is a restoration and reintegration shelter for sex trafficked women. Located on 13-acres in Moore County, NC it includes 4,700 sq. feet of living space for both residents and a separate apartment for a live-in resident assistant. The home features 5 bedrooms with private ensuites and the common area consists of a kitchen and dining combo, media room, powder room, living space, Carolina room, laundry room, and storage. Additionally, there is office and storage space on the third floor for staff only. Outside the home there are beautiful gardens including a place for residents to pray & room to grow vegetation. There is a newly built deck, additional building and acreage for future growth.



A Message from Kym Nixon – CDM Co-founder

“For the past two years, our wonderful staff, volunteers, and supporters have funded and diligently worked on renovating this 102-year-old house, transforming it into a gorgeous, inviting home. It is exciting to see my vision finally coming to fruition in the most beautiful ways—only made possible by all of you.”

“We are very close to being able to welcome women into Rachel's Refuge. The rooms are in various stages of completion, most only needing finishing touches with decorating and staging. The outside is almost completely landscaped, looking more spectacular than any of us could have ever imagined. We received our Certificate of Occupancy a few short weeks ago. The only thing left for us to be able to open is developing our program, posting jobs, and interviewing, hiring, and training staff. So, be on the lookout for job descriptions posted on our website very soon!”

FASHION, DANCE & MUSIC FOR FREEDOM

June 28, 2024



OUR SINCERE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION, CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS

Carolina Philharmonic Junior Orchestra

LMace Dance Studio,

Denker Dry Goods

Eve Avery Boutique

Monkees

Perle By Lola

Youth Models & Solo Dancers

Forest Creek Country Club

Volunteers & Guests

A special thank you to Kathy Newcomb for her dedication and hard work in making this a wonderful and successful event!

You were all instrumental in helping us to continue bringing awareness to our community and youth!

Moore County Republican Women's Lunch

We were very honored to have been invited to speak at the Moore County Republican Women's monthly luncheon and for the opportunity to share information about our ministry and mission.

Our sincere **Thank You** for collecting so many generous donations during this event!



Kym Nixon



Brooke Autry

UNITYFEST 2024



CDM felt so blessed to be invited back to [Unityfest](#) this year. What a great time connecting with others in the body of Christ who want to make a difference in our world and advance the Kingdom of God together.

SAVE THE DATE

DENIM & GLITZ BENEFIT

Friday, November 8th

Pinehurst Fair Barn

6:00 – 10:00 pm

Put on your favorite jeans and join us as we bring light to the darkness with an evening benefiting *Changing Destinies Ministry*, an anti- human trafficking organization. Sparkle on and choose to shine for our survivors.

They were born to sparkle too!

- ◆ ***Music & Entertainment***
- ◆ ***DJ & Dancing***
- ◆ ***Live & Silent Auctions***
- ◆ ***Keynote Speaker***
- ◆ ***Buffet Dinner***
- ◆ ***Dessert Bar***
- ◆ ***Casual Attire***
- ◆ ***BYOB***

**DETAILS
COMING
SOON**

www.ChangingDestiniesMinistry.org

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE SUPPORT BY DONATING TO OUR MISSION

We want to express our deepest gratitude for your unwavering support. Your generosity makes a real difference in the lives of those we serve.

Thank you to some of our most recent donors, sponsors & volunteers:

- ❖ Bible Tabernacle
- ❖ Reaves Landscaping
- ❖ Sandy and Bill Terryberry
- ❖ Dr. Leslie Murphy
- ❖ April Collins & Avis Pilewski -
Carolina Philharmonic Jr. Orchestra
- ❖ Women of the Pines
- ❖ The Village Chapel
- ❖ Sue and Carl Durham
- ❖ Williams Yard Service Irrigation, LLC
- ❖ 12th Man Ministries
- ❖ Men of the Grove Church
- ❖ First Baptist Church Pinehurst
- ❖ Seven Lakes Baptist Church

- ❖ Carol and Dan Butler
- ❖ Women of the Pines
- ❖ Southern Pines Garden Club
- ❖ Ruth Hoffer
- ❖ Bode Chiropractic Center
- ❖ Michael and Elette Owen
- ❖ Lesa J. Measells
- ❖ Moore County Republican
Women
- ❖ Lorie and Thomas M. Van
Camp
- ❖ Grace Church
- ❖ Chapel in the Pines
- ❖ DeLette Spain and her team
- ❖ Staging Team Volunteers

And so many more who have given so much time, energy and talent to help make Rachel's Refuge a reality!

To help us continue our goal of opening and funding the operational expenses for Rachel's Refuge, we are relying on the generosity and support of donors. Your contribution, no matter the amount, directly contributes to our mission.

*We kindly ask for your donation
to help us reach our
annual fundraising goal of
\$500,000*



You can easily donate at: <https://www.changingdestiniesministry.org/>

NORTH CAROLINA IS AMONG THE MOST AFFECTED STATES

NC DOA(gov.)

- Human trafficking is one of the fastest growing crimes in the country and one of North Carolina's most pressing issues. *NC DOA(gov.)*
- According to the NC Human Trafficking Commission, NC consistently ranks within the top 10 states in the nation for human trafficking.
- State-funded victim service agencies in NC reported serving 494 human trafficking survivors during fiscal year 2022-2023. *NC DOA(gov.)*

In the News

US Marshals Find 200 Missing Children in Nationwide Operation

The U.S. Marshals Service (USMS) found 200 missing children, including sex trafficked children, abused children and runaways in a six-week nationwide operation, the [Department of Justice](#) announced July 1.

Of the children found, 173 were endangered runaways, one was a family abduction, another was a non-family abduction and 25 were considered otherwise missing. The youngest was a 5-month-old baby.

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We commit:

*to provide our services completely free-of-charge.
With God's help, we will raise all the financial
support for our programs through private funding
and grants.*

**WANT TO LEARN HOW YOU CAN HELP TO MITIGATE
HUMAN TRAFFICKING EFFECTS ON SURVIVORS?**

CHANGING DESTINIES MINISTRY

is available to help bring
Awareness & Prevention tools and information
to your venue or event.

If you are interested in scheduling a guest speaker or
inviting us to participate in your event, please contact:

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INFORMATIONAL AND HELPFUL LINKS:

- Blue Campaign - <https://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign>
- Polaris Project - <https://polarisproject.org/>
- Survivor Network - www.survivor.networknc.org/allies
- Human Trafficking Institute - <https://traffickinginstitute.org/>

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