



# Newsletter

## Living the Gospel by Loving the Fatherless.

### Dear Raleigh's Place Family,

As we reflect on this remarkable year of ministry, we are overwhelmed with gratitude — for God's provision and for people like you who make this work possible. Because of your prayers, generosity, and love for vulnerable children, Raleigh's Place continues to be a refuge of hope for foster children, families, and young adults across Alabama.

We are excited to celebrate what the Lord has done in 2025 — and invite you to help us step boldly into the opportunities ahead in 2026.

### A Year of Transformation — Made Possible by You

Every child who stepped onto our campus...  
 Every foster family who found encouragement...  
 Every young man who discovered confidence and purpose...

They experienced Jesus' love through your partnership with Raleigh's Place.

Here are just a few highlights from this year:

- **Partner Homes:** 18 foster and adoptive families received ongoing support, resources, and encouragement rooted in Gospel-centered care.
- **Camp 1:27:** 110 children enjoyed a life-changing week of camp while hearing about the love of Christ.
- **Katie's Klostet:** Thanks to daily community donations, we provided essential clothing and items at no cost to 94 foster and adopted children — along with another year of record thrift store sales that directly fuel this ministry.
- **Workmanship Initiative:** 19 teens gained critical life skills through our partnership with Chilton County DHR. 5 young men found safety, mentorship, and belonging while preparing for independence in our transitional living apartments.

Every number represents a precious life — and your generosity has helped make futures brighter.

### Community Support Makes It Possible

We are grateful for the community's unwavering support. From local businesses to generous donors and dedicated volunteers, each contribution plays a vital role in ensuring that Raleigh's Place "Lives the Gospel by Loving the Fatherless."

Thank you to everyone who donated, volunteered, and spread the word about our mission. Because of you, we are able to provide life-changing experiences and a stable foundation for these deserving children.

### Spotlight: Isaac's Story: "A Chance to Live, Not Just Survive"

Isaac entered foster care at just four years old and remained in DHR custody until he aged out at 21. Like many young adults aging out of foster care, he stepped into adulthood alone—without family support, a safety net, or the basic life skills most of us learn at home.

That changed in July 2025 when Isaac moved into the Transitional Living Apartments at Raleigh's Place.

For the first time, he has a safe place to call home and a community walking alongside him. "Being here has reminded me how far I've come—and how far I can go," Isaac shared. Through the Workmanship Initiative, he's learning how to manage his finances, maintain a home, drive, and build healthy friendships. Most importantly, he's experiencing what he calls

As 2025 comes to a close, I want to personally say thank you. Your generosity has made every moment of ministry at Raleigh's Place possible this year.

Each gift and note of encouragement reminds us that we are not alone in this calling to Live the Gospel by Loving the Fatherless. As we look ahead, we continue to rely on faithful friends like you who pray, give, and champion this mission. Would you consider a year-end gift to help us finish strong?

Your support is changing lives. Thank you for standing with us. You are making a real and lasting difference. Thank you for standing with us.

Gratefully,  
 Mike King, Executive  
 Director

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“a normal life.”

Isaac enjoys reading, art, video games, working out, and researching random facts—and now he has the freedom to enjoy these things. “I’m having fun for the first time,” he said. “I get to go out, make friends, and actually live—not just survive.”

His goals include becoming financially stable, starting college, and growing into a man. He shared, “If my older brother had something like this when he was coming up, he’d be so much further in life.”

Because of supporters like you, Isaac is no longer facing adulthood alone. He has hope, guidance, and the tools to build a stable future. And his story is just beginning.

### **Looking Ahead: Big Opportunities in 2026**

We firmly believe God is calling Raleigh’s Place to serve more children and families than ever before. To do that, we are stepping forward in faith:

- **Launching Foster Parent Small Groups**  
Discipleship-focused, Biblically grounded support for caregivers — in partnership with STEPS.
- **Expanding the Workmanship Initiative**  
We currently have room for five more residents who urgently need housing and discipleship. To fill these apartments, we must hire a full-time Program Coordinator — a vital role to ensure young men are mentored in life, faith, and adulthood.
- **New Annual Fundraising Event**  
Coming in May — we are excited to gather our community to celebrate and champion this ministry!

### **We Need You — Now More Than Ever**

As this year closes, will you prayerfully consider a generous year-end gift to help us expand our impact in 2026?

Your giving today will:

- Provide safe housing and Christian mentorship to young men aging out of foster care
- Ensure Camp 1:27 continues to be a place of joy, healing, and rest
- Equip foster families with the support they urgently need
- Give every child we serve a tangible reminder that they are seen, valued, and loved by God

*Your gift changes the trajectory of a child’s life.*

You can give securely online, by mail, or by becoming a monthly partner who sustains this ministry all year long. We gratefully accept non-cash gifts too—such as property, stocks, vehicles, and more.

### **Thank You for Loving the Fatherless**

From the bottom of our hearts — thank you. You are helping Raleigh’s Place continue to “Live the Gospel by Loving the Fatherless” in ways that honor Christ and transform lives, one story at a time.

May the Lord bless you and your family with a joyful Christmas season and a hopeful New Year.

Living the Gospel by Loving the Fatherless,

The Raleigh’s Place Team

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**James 1:27**



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