



**JASON
BRITNEY
& JUDE**

THE STORY SO FAR



HIS MANSION MINISTRIES

Person Needs:

- Increase in Monthly Financial Support
- Wisdom about decisions related to our future in ministry
- Upcoming birth of Jude – end of July or early August

Ministry Prayer need:

- Staffing needs – specifically a Director of Operations, Female Counselor, and Mentors
- Vehicles
- Monthly Provision

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With a baby on the way, lots of changes have come up for us over the past year. We have been going a mile a minute, but with some of the changes, we will now have the opportunity to keep up-to-date with friends and family in other places, as well as work on sharing more about what exactly we are doing at His Mansion now.

Some of you are new to our newsletter rotation, but most of you have not received one in a while. Either way, we thank you for your support of our family and the ministry we are invested in at His Mansion. Because of your partnership with us, men and women are being set free.

As most of you know, we have been serving with His Mansion Ministries in Deering, New Hampshire for the past four years. His Mansion is a year-long residential recovery program for those seeking help with life-controlling, harmful, habitual behaviors.

Our general population here is usually recovering from drug and/

or alcohol addiction. A great majority of our residents have experienced some sort of past trauma, specifically some kind of repetitive abuse that occurred during their childhood and the effects and consequences have stretched and affected their ability to live whole lives.

Initially in 2010, we had committed to a year serving as mentors or short term staff. The mentors live and work with the residents for a year at a time. They are the front lines of our ministry and without them, we would be greatly lacking. Mentors are usually in their early 20's, single, and fresh out of college – so we were a bit of an anomaly when we arrived. The schedule is (and was for us) tough, but we stuck it out despite the difficulties. We didn't live in the dorms, but we spent the majority of our time with the residents and other staff.

It stretched us physically and spiritually and the hectic schedule (one night off per week and every other weekend off!) stretched our marriage.

In May of 2011, Britney was approached about being the Women's Program Administrator. This allowed us to sign on for more time, which we both desperately wanted.



Jason giving a testimony of what God has done in, and through the life of one of the men he mentors on their last day.

Later on in the year, Jason began serving as an assistant for the men's side of the program. For exactly three years, Britney served as the Women's PA – basically overseeing the mentor teams and resident care outside of counseling. She is getting some time now to prepare for the arrival of our first child, who we hope will be here in late July.

Last fall, Jason transitioned to a new position in the ministry, serving as the Resource Development Manager. He coordinates short-term mission trip opportunities to our ministry, as well as managing the ministry's newsletter and social media.

In January 2015, after we have both had some time to adjust to being new parents, Britney rejoins our Care Team staff in a part time capacity as the Intake Coordinator, which will involve interviewing resident applicants and keeping up communication with them prior to their arrival.

And that is the "catch up" part...

As for the future, we are unsure of what our time at His Mansion looks like. We are committed to the vision of the ministry and working with those that are broken and in need of the Gospel.

We can be honest and say though that there has been plenty of discouragement to pray through along the way. We often feel disconnected from

our "home base" in Florida due to the distance, which most every missionary experiences.

Raising support is a constant battle, and to be honest again, we are surprised that we lasted past the first two years because of it.

But the Lord has always provided for us. We are grateful for His consistency in the middle of doubt and worry about finances. We both want to be able to say that all the sacrifice is worth it so that others may come to know the Lord – and we pray that He would continue to cultivate our hearts towards that.

We are in the process of planning and praying for what life looks like in the next five years. We do not feel a release from His Mansion, but we have been praying about some other opportunities that have come up in the past year or so and how we may be a part of them in the future – specifically pastoral ministry. We are slowly raising some support outside of what we need to continue serving with His Mansion in order for Jason to attend school, which is a part of this preparation for the future.

Thank you again for taking the time to hear our hearts and read an update on what is going on with our ministry and family. If you have questions or would like to hear more or just simply catch up with us – please feel free to call or e-mail. We would be so glad to hear from you.

JOIN WITH US!

Please prayerfully consider joining us in our ministry to the broken young men and women seeking restoration at His Mansion.

Your gift of \$50, \$25, \$100, or however God leads you, will be not only sown into the life of our family but into those who are seeking restoration that only Christ can bring here on The Hill.

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