



"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven."

Reaping His Harvest

ECCLESIASTES 3:1

The Harvest Season has arrived! With it, I Care Outreach is reminded of the abundant fruit God is producing in the lives of men and women through this ministry's focus on Christ-centered Compassion, Care and Commitment. Here are a few highlights:

- In mid-August, we launched a nine-week **Boundaries class for women** in a justice-involved housing community. The class empowers participants to live with healthy boundaries.
- This summer we also introduced a revised Work Life Job Readiness curriculum in Bridgeport. Each participant builds a portfolio, which includes a strengths assessment, a resume, job search tools, a one-to-three-year career plan and more. We have over 20 participants in a recovery program that will complete the training in early October.
- We are also offering the Work Life Job Readiness curriculum to 20 participants in a New Haven Recovery Center. The class runs through the end of November.
- Our six-week summer workshop on "Identity and Destiny" facilitated by Recover All Ministry was at capacity with 24 participants from Greater Bridgeport and beyond.
- In October, we will offer a Faith & Finances class in our Bridgeport Training Center.
- **NEEDED:** Bi-lingual Allies and Facilitators who speak English/Portuguese and English/Spanish. If you know of someone who can assist, please email Pastor Rob at rturner@icareoutreach.net or via phone (203) 895-4492.



BUSINESS OWNER JOHN B. ASSISTS WITH

JOB READINESS TRAINING

I Care Outreach needs business and financial professionals to join us in providing training in financial literacy, budgeting and job readiness.

Feel free to contact Pastor Rob via email rturner@icareoutreach.net or phone (203) 895-4492.



"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. They are plans for good and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."

JEREMIAH 29:11

Stepping into God's Plan MEET JOSH TURNER

With degrees in exercise science and intercultural communication, Joshua Turner was working as a CNA and planning to become a physician assistant. But God had other ideas.

"As I got more serious in my walk with Christ, He put this fire in me to leave my job," explains Joshua, the son of I Care Outreach founder Pastor Rob Turner. While seeking God's direction, Joshua shadowed I Care Outreach classes.

"I started to think maybe I could use some of the gifts and skills I have to work around the office." Today he volunteers at I Care Outreach, serving as an Ally for program participants and helping with program development. He finds his work inspiring.

"Just as the Israelites were in captivity when God gave the message we read in Jeremiah 29:11, I Care Outreach participants often feel like they have been captive to substance abuse or other destructive behaviors. But then God lets them know that He has great plans for them," Joshua says. "They discover that they are not to be controlled by the past, that they are able to step into new life – I think that is just the most beautiful thing on this planet!"





BACK ON TRACK - THANKS TO I CARE OUTREACH!

During treatment for alcoholism and substance abuse, Richard Carrion enrolled in a series of I Care Outreach classes.

"It allowed me to prepare for life when I finish treatment," said Richard, who plans to work as a substance abuse counselor. "It helped me get my life back on track and I want to help others do the same," he says. He encourages people to support the ministry.

"I Care Outreach helps men and women become productive members of society. They become better husbands and wives, mothers and fathers. It just works out all the way around."



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