Recovery Ministry Report

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- "When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."" Matthew 9:36-38 ESV
- The work of the gospel is a miraculous work of regeneration. The Gospel that saves is also the Gospel that heals and transforms hearts and minds into the character of Jesus. This healing journey is different from person to person, but it is all a recovery from sin and sin tendencies. Recovery ministry is at the heart of the work of the Gospel. It is the power to save, and transform any human heart who believes. More and more people today suffer from addictive tendencies, over-eating, mental illnesses and other hurts, habits and hangups that destroy lives and relationships. According to research by Johns Hopkins Medicine one in four Americans today suffer from some from of mental illness. Suicide is now one of the leading causes of death in adults aged 15-24. As our Pastors and Churches endeavor to evangelize the lost and equip the saints we must realize these statistics do not just apply to society. These people are our church members, and they are members of the communities we are called to minister to. These people are our deacons, pastors and leaders. Let's pray according to Jesus' words in Matthew 9:36-38 to see with His eyes of compassion, and move to carry out the harvest of healing and recovery, all for Jesus.

Respectfully submitted, LifeBridge Baptist Church

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