

2022

THE YEAR OF RESTORATION

Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. -Psalm 51:12 (NIV)

During this year, it has been amazing to see God's restoration in the lives of so many women!

He has restored faith. He has restored confidence. He has restored HOPE!

- Fifty women graduated our 12-week Employment Readiness Program.
- Fourteen women completed Spanish Computer classes.
- 76% of the graduates were employed.
- Computer test scores increased on average by 18 points.
- Twenty-one women rededicated their faith.
- Three women became new believers.
- 100% reported that they grew in their relationship with Christ!



Christie, Spring 2022 Graduate



BOUNDARIES WITH DR. JOHN TOWNSEND

Boundaries has been an important piece of our curriculum for many years. As graduates share about their time with Christian Women's Job Corps, they often mention what a profound impact this part of our program has had on their lives.

Through a community connection, our fall students were given the opportunity to participate in a *Boundaries* class led by none other than the Author himself, Dr. John Townsend!

Video-conferencing from his office in California, Dr. Townsend tailored the class and discussion to our CWJC students. He reminded us that using boundaries effectively keeps us focused on what is truly important. It is beyond simply saying "no" and more about speaking the truth in love. God created us with a need for relationship. Yet at some point in life, we all experience relational issues. Often, those issues are caused by a lack of boundaries. This means that we tolerate or go along with things just to keep the peace but what we cause in doing so is actually the opposite of peace.

By learning and establishing healthy boundaries, our students make lasting changes in all aspects of their lives with improved relationships, expectations and communication. These changes can impact the future for families and generations to come!

CWJC is extremely grateful to have had this opportunity to learn from Dr. Townsend!

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KRYSTAL'S CWJC GRADUATION SPEECH



Krystal, Fall 2022 Graduate

GIVE

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"Upon coming to CWJC, I had doubts and thought I wouldn't be able to complete the program. A little voice inside my head kept telling me to give up. It was not easy working a full-time job at a fast food restaurant and coming to class every week. But every day, I strived through. Coming here consistently made me want to be here more and helped me see myself doing more. I now know that if I can do this, I can do just about anything.

The funny thing is that when I signed up, I thought it was just computer classes and help finding a job but it is much more. You learn about resources and you meet new friends. New doors are open that I didn't know were there before. It has been an incredible journey and experience meeting new people and stepping out of my comfort zone. What I've gained from all of this is finding who I am and applying myself as so. In Jobs for Life, I've been able to speak up, ask questions and grow my confidence. Learning to Dress for Success just makes you feel good. When I was younger, I avoided eye contact but now I look people in the eye and give a firm handshake.

During mock interviews, I learned about a great job opening. The next thing I knew, I was scheduled for a real interview and received a job offer! Best of all, I started my new job last week. It is where I want to be – the increased income will help me financially and the schedule allows me to keep learning and moving forward with my education goals. I would have never gotten this job if I had not come to CWJC!

This experience has opened my mind. My attitude and how I look at things has changed. I used to have little faith and I was not close to God. Bible Study here helped me overcome anger, hatred and resentment. I have now let my bitterness go. It is amazing how the Bible Teachers knew just what to say to help me open my heart.

As I stand here tonight, this is the first time in my life that I have gotten to wear a cap and gown! I cannot tell you how much pride and hope this accomplishment brings to me."

YOUR DONATIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Graduates of our 12-week Employment Readiness Program gain computer skills, confidence, direction and hope for their futures through Jesus. With each passing week of our program, heads are held higher and smiles shine brighter. There is laughter, prayer and hugging in our hallways. Relationships are formed. Lives are impacted now and for eternity!

ANSWERED PRAYERS AND ONE AMAZING SUMMER

This summer, we expanded our Spanish Computer Classes to include Bible Study taught in Spanish. In partnership with the Literacy Council of Tyler, we also added English as a Second Language on site at CWJC. The Spanish program students joined us twice a week from 10:00-2:00 for two months completing classes in Computer, ESL and Bible. It was a big summer for CWJC!

Bible Study was taught by one of our graduates, Yendrix, who moved to the United States from Venezuela. There, Yendrix worked in human resources, training and had her own Christian radio show. She came to CWJC to immerse herself in the language, culture and to prepare for getting a job. Yendrix graduated our Employment Readiness Program with the spring 2022 class.

As we started planning to expand the Spanish classes to include Bible Study, Yendrix was the first person who God placed on our hearts to teach Bible in Spanish. Not only is Yendrix a CWJC graduate but she also attended Literacy Council for English classes which allowed her to easily relate with our ESL students on every level!

Yendrix taught lessons on "God's Perfect Plan", "Identity in Christ", "Women of the Bible" and much more. This special time studying God's Word and developing a relationship with Christ was beautiful to witness.

Of the fourteen women who completed the Spanish program, four of them joined us this fall for Employment Readiness and graduated!

Yendrix shared:

"Finding CWJC was a response from God to my prayer; I was at a time when I had been living in the USA for a few months, I spoke little English and with a culture totally different from my country, it was difficult but not impossible.

Starting the CWJC program and taking a step to another level in the work, personal and above all spiritual area increased my strength to move forward and be able to complete successfully.

During the program I met wonderful women who taught me with patience, love and a lot of support despite the language obstacle.

After graduating from the program, I had the great blessing of participating as a volunteer to give Bible study to Hispanic women with hearts willing to learn.



Without a doubt, it has been one of the best experiences that God has given me.

It is a dream come true to be able to show these precious women the love of God and strengthen their identity in Jesus Christ. God is always good."

VOLUNTEER

In 2022, volunteers shared approximately 1.800 hours with Christian Women's Job Corps!

We would love for you to join our Volunteer Team! Call or visit us online today.

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CWJC LEGACY

Christian Women's Job Corps of Tyler began with a vision of helping unemployed women in Smith County secure and keep employment. CWJC Tyler was founded in 1998. In 2001, it was incorporated as a 501(c)3 and held its first class of six women. Since then, over 2,000 women have participated in computer training, Bible study and the Employment Readiness Program.

The Board of Directors actively supports the goals of Christian Women's Job Corps. Several Board Members have been a part of CWJC for many years volunteering in other capacities and some continue to teach classes today. They have a true love for the mission.

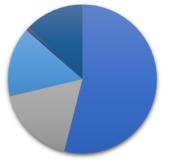
Thanks to a faithful team of volunteers and an in-kind building rental from First Baptist Church, CWJC is able to operate with low overhead and a staff of only two employees. This allows a significant portion of donations to directly support programs. God has blessed us abundantly!

Participants pay only \$34 to enroll in the Employment Readiness Program. The fee covers a slight portion of the program cost but also helps to gain commitment.

All expenses from books, materials and technology to the meals and red graduation caps that mean so much are covered for the students thanks to our generous giving community! With your support, CWJC has maintained a legacy of fiscal stability.

> **EQUIP** for Employment **EMPOWER** with Dignity & Hope **ENCOURAGE** with the Love of Jesus

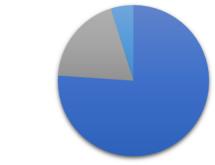
2022 Revenue: \$311,176 2022 Functional Expenses: \$228,648







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