HEART Love & SOUL

"Serving the Community Since 1983"

Dear friends,

As the seasons shift and Spring begins to awaken the earth around us, we are reminded of the cycles of renewal and hope that animate our lives. In many cultures and traditions, Spring marks a time for new life, a fresh start, and a reminder of God's endless love for all of us. At Heart, Love & Soul, this season of renewal calls us to reflect on the deep love we share with our guests and the promise of new life that is ours to inherit.

At the heart of our mission is the belief that each person is made in the image of God, and therefore we are called to respond with respect, kindness, and wholehearted service. It is with this understanding that we come together as a community not only to honor the living but also to remember those who have passed. Earlier this year, we held memorial services for guests who had touched our hearts – Juan, Jeffrey, Tina, Rodney, Roger, and Harold – as well as for our beloved volunteer, Rodger.

Gathered in Daybreak's cathedral-like Gathering Room—bathed in natural light and framed by soaring ceilings—we celebrated their lives not as "people in need," but as Children of God, each blessing us with their own unique gifts. Juan was a jokester who could always make you smile. Jeff was kind and unassuming. Tina was a former corrections officer who inspired us by her faith after becoming disabled by serious injury. Rodney served his country in the United States Army and loved R&B music. Roger could talk your ear off but always did it with a smile. Harold told stories you could listen to over and over but still find them entertaining with each telling. Rodger served his country throughout his career in the United States Air Force and then spent his later years serving the guests of Heart Love & Soul. Each one had a story to tell. All of them touched us in some way.

Our dear friend and Board member Rev. Laura Buisch beautifully guided us through moments of remembrance, reminding us how each guest was deeply valued in the eyes of God. We left with sadness mixed with gratitude, hope in the new life that is promised to them, and a renewed sense of how we are, called to embrace God's people around us – especially those who may otherwise go unseen by a society that casts them in diminished light.

It is this spirit of love and reverence that makes Heart, Love & Soul such a special place. As we enter the Spring season and embrace the promise of new life, we ask for your continued support for our work. Your generosity helps us nourish a community where renewal and hope are not just fleeting moments, but an ongoing reality for all those we serve. With your help, we can continue to shine light on people like Juan, Jeff, Tina, Rodney, Roger, Harold, and Rodger, whose lives were touched by the hope they found at Heart, Love & Soul.

Thank you for your prayers, your partnership, and your enduring commitment to honoring the God-given dignity of every person. We are deeply grateful for your support as we continue this important work.

With gratitude,

Mark Baetzhold

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Executive Director

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