

Ministry Center Special Need Request

New Commercial–Grade Roof

Dear Friends of Genesis Institute,

Unwelcome News. Our Board of Directors just received a status report, from a trusted commercial roofing company, indicating the need to immediately replace the roof on our ministry center building. An earlier assessment led to the hope that a patch-repair job would remedy the leaks which we were dealing with this winter. But upon closer scrutiny, after all the snow was cleared, the larger problem was discovered: the existing roof is made of defective materials which simply cannot be patched any longer. A new roof of upgraded material is necessary.

Immediacy. Currently we have moderate leaking with minimal interior damage which has not interrupted our ministry activities. The roofer has expressed his surprise that more significant damage hasn't already occurred. So we are vulnerable to extensive damage, potential costly interior repairs and possible disruption of our counseling and training ministries. So we must act soon.

Financial Need. We did not anticipate the severity of this problem and our 2017 budget has essentially no wiggle room. After receiving multiple bids, the most competitive bid reveals the cost will be \$23,940 for removal of the old material and construction of an appropriate new roof. If asbestos is encountered during this process, an additional \$3,600 will be needed for its removal.

Will You Please Help? We are cautious not to bring unanticipated needs to you in this general way. We are careful to be fiscally conservative and work diligently as an organization to be wise stewards of all the financial resources which our many supporters faithfully give each year. But this really is a *special* need requiring quick action. So please prayerfully consider a special financial investment to help us raise the needed funds. Some of you may be in a position to give a large gift of \$500, \$1,000, or more. Others may be able to give a smaller gift. Please know any amount you give will be greatly appreciated.

Details. If you currently donate funds to Genesis, your monies are already earmarked for designated purposes, so please make this special donation over and above your regular giving. If you are a first time giver, please indicate Roof Fund, Exclusively, on your gift.

Thanks. We are deeply thankful to have this amazing building which God provided for our ministry work, and we have been careful to maintain it as an inviting and functional space within which we can do the soul-care work so vitally necessary in people's lives. We thank you for how you have helped us in the past and we thank you also for the help you may provide for this special need. May you be both sensitive and responsive to the leading of our Lord and may He bless you abundantly.

Sincerely,

The Genesis Institute Board of Directors