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"MEET OUR NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR" — Cassidy Morris

My name is Cassidy Morris, and I am excited to be selected as the new Executive Director for the Family Renewal Initiative. My professional experience largely focuses on addressing the contributing factors to the various forms of crisis our families are experiencing in our community.

After high school, I joined active-duty military and began my undergraduate education. I have completed my bachelor's degree in sociology and psychology, my master's degree in criminal justice, and I am in the final stages of my PhD in forensic psychology.

My passion for developing effective interventions that improve the functionality between families and our community's resources is a challenging focus that has strengthened my faith and relationship with God. I began attending Independent Bible Church in 1993, and my relationships within the church have encouraged me to remain at IBC alongside my husband and children.

I have been married for thirteen years to my husband, Jared, who serves as a firefighter and paramedic in Virginia. We enjoy staying involved with our church and children by serving as volunteers in the children's ministry, coaching soccer, and participating in school-based activities. As a family, we enjoy traveling and spending time outdoors.

As Executive Director, I aim to expand our capabilities in planned interventions to prevent crisis from resulting in family separation. This will include the widened use of our referrals among several organizations, and the use of a comprehensive risk and needs assessment to identify root causes of each family's unique crisis. With Family Renewal Initiative, we are also there to provide faith-based support, guidance, and encourage reliance on the Bible's teachings. This not only allows us to engage with families that are currently living without faith, but also allows us to join a large team of churches that are passionate about serving and family preservation. I look forward to engaging with you and our community, serving our families in need, and serving our loving God.

The Morris Family

FAMILY TREE APPRECIATION AND FUN DAY!!!!!

When: September 7, 2024; 10 am—12 pm

Where: Fellowship Bible Church Pavillion

160 Daniel Road, Shenandoah Junction, WV 25442

Come together to show appreciation for our donors, volunteers, clients, prayer partners, meet the new Executive Director and learn more about becoming an FRI volunteer.

- Bounce House, Balloons, Face Painting
- Snacks, Drinks, Giveways
- Fellowship

Bring your family because it's in our name!!!!

THANK YOU!!!!! From Illona Roman

I wanted to say thank you to the entire Board of FRI for believing in and encouraging me to be the first Executive Director of this amazing organization. Thank you to the volunteers who stepped out in faith and hosted children, even though there was much more to learn about process and paperwork. Thank you to the donors who make it possible for this organization to serve vulnerable children and families in our community. Thank you, Cassidy, for seeing what we saw and for being willing to step into the next stage of bringing the Hope of Christ through FRI. I am so very grateful to have been a part of this organization, and will be praying for everyone involved.

God Bless you all!

DON'T FORGET GOBENA!!

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SAVE THE DATE!!

FRI Prayer Meeting, 10/7/24 at 3 pm

Details to Follow!!!!

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