



*Ministering Hope, Healing and Wholeness
to the Relationally & Sexually Wounded
Through the Power of the Cross!*

Lead them to Jesus, and He will heal them and set them free!

It was December of 2002 that I received the call for my participation in Exchange Ministries. With that call came this vision:

“Lead them to Jesus, and He will heal them and set them free.” That vision has not changed.

The word of God is powerful, life-giving, and transforming if we are willing to believe and apply it in our lives!

John 8:32 says, “Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” That means that we can and will be free if we learn the truth about who we are in Christ as well as what we believe about ourselves and others.

Mark 11:26 “But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father in heaven forgive your trespasses.” We must be willing to forgive those who have hurt us, abused us, mistreated us, offended us, or done anything that

we feel has been a trespass against us. Unforgiveness holds us in bondage, not our trespassers.

This ministry has and will continue to be a safe place for men and women to come and apply *James 5:16, “Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed.”*

I believe that in applying these verses and allowing ourselves to be humbled, God will indeed heal our faults, wounds, and beliefs.

As I continue to grow in my own walk with Jesus, my heart continues to be enlarged towards those who are struggling with areas of sexual and relational brokenness. I know that Jesus and the body of Christ are the answers to these problems. Please encourage your family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors who are struggling with areas of sex-

ual and relational brokenness to come and allow Jesus and this body of “Wounded Healers” to minister to them.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support in the lives of those who are broken in areas of their sexuality and relationships.

Comments

“Thank you for your time on the phone. I am still fighting back tears of grief every day and every night. Your words were an encouragement and comfort to me, however.”

Atlanta, GA

PARENTS, FRIENDS & FAMILIES

We are pleased to introduce Cherrie Rowe as the new facilitator of our parents and family support group. Gabrielle King, who has faithfully facilitated this group for the past two years, will now be assisting in our Living Waters program. Cherrie comes to us from the office of Exodus where she is better known as the “Volunteer Mom.” She has a big heart for parents along with experience in leading support groups. She’s looking forward to meeting all of you on the first Monday of every month...beginning January 2nd. Please join us in room 104 /108 for a time of worship at 7:15 to begin our meeting with each other. This meeting will be a time of prayer, education, and fellowship for parents, family or friends who have loved ones struggling with areas of their sexual identity.

Financial News

Operating Expenses	
January 01, 2005 thru October 31, 2005	
Total Income:	\$ 50,444.43
Total Operating Expense:	\$ 49,242.93
Net Income	\$ 1,201.50
Income Budget	\$ 63,475.00
Expenses Budget	\$ 63,522.95
Budget Shortfall	\$-13,030.57

Ministry Needs!

As you can see, we are substantially behind in our income budget for the year. A large part of this shortfall is in the area of salary. Would you prayerfully consider helping us meet our budgeted income needs by December 31st?

1 Tim 5:18 “For the Scripture says, “You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain,” and, “The laborer is worthy of

To the churches concerning homosexuals and lesbians:

Many of you believe that we do not exist within your walls, your schools, your neighborhoods. You believe that we are few and easily recognized. I tell you we are many. We are your teachers, doctors, accountants, high school athletes. We are all colors, shapes, sizes. We are single, married, mothers, fathers. We are your sons, your daughters, your nieces, your nephews, your grandchildren. We are in your Sunday School classes, pews, choirs, and pulpits. You choose not to see us out of ignorance or because it might upset your congregations. We ARE your congregations. We enter your doors weekly seeking guidance and some glimmer of hope that we can change. Like you, we want to be all that Christ wants us to be. Like you, we pray daily for guidance. Like you we often fail.

When the word "homosexual" is mentioned in the church, we hold our breaths and sit in fear. Most often this word is followed with condemnation, laughter, hatred, or

jokes. Rarely do we hear any words of hope. At least we recognize our sin. Does the church as a whole see theirs? Do you see the sin of pride, that you are better than or more acceptable to Jesus than we are: Have you been Christ-like in your relationships with us? Would you meet us at the well, or restaurant, for a cup of water, or coffee? Would you touch us even if we showed signs of leprosy, or aids? Would you call us down from our trees, as Christ did Zacchaeus, and invite yourself to be our guest? Would you allow us to sit at your table and break bread? Can you love us unconditionally and support us as Christ works in our lives, as He works in yours, to help us all to overcome?

To those of you who would change the church to accept the gay community and its lifestyle: you give us no hope at all. To those of us who know God's word and will not dilute it to fit our desires, we ask you to read John's letter to the church in Pergamum. *"I have a few things against you: You have people there who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who*

taught Balak to entice the Israelites to sin by eating food sacrificed to idols and by committing sexual immorality. Likewise, you also have those who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans. Repent therefore!" You are willing to compromise the word of God to be politically correct. We are not deceived. If we accept your willingness to compromise, then we must also compromise. We must therefore accept your lying, your adultery, your lust, your idolatry, your addictions, YOUR sins. *"He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."*

We do not ask for your acceptance of our sins any more than we accept yours. We simply ask for the same support, love, guidance, and most of all hope that is given to the rest of your congregation. We are your brothers and sisters in Christ. We are not what we shall be, but thank God, we are not what we were. Let us work together to see that we all arrive safely home.

A sister in Christ



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