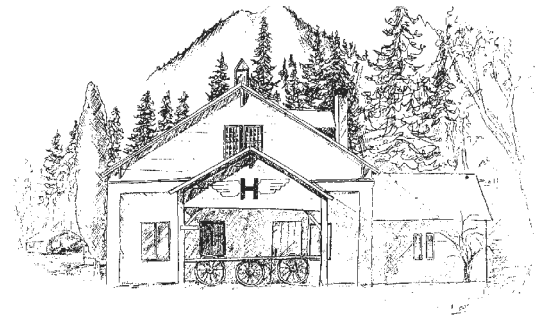


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"...turning the hearts..." Malachi 4:6 since 1962

December 4, 2006

Dear Partners,

In this season of thanksgiving and Christmas, we are prompted to do what God asks us to do all the time, which is "in everything give thanks." In Philippians 4:6 we are told to accompany prayer with thanksgiving; this is God's antidote to fear and anxiety. It is amazing how practicing thanksgiving conditions us to think God's way about life. It focuses us on God as being sovereign and in control, as well as loving and gracious. Thankfulness also leads to the peace promised in Phil. 4:7.

We are thankful for the evidences of God's continuing work to change lives by changing the hearts of the young men that He sends us. Some boys are beginning to ask many of the right questions such as "How can I forgive my parents for divorcing?"; and "How can my mom ever forgive me for how I've made her life so awful?"; and "How can I give up my desires for drugs?"; and "I'm so angry all the time. How can I change?" Many really want to read the Bible and seek God. The desire to be right with God and people does not come naturally for any of us, and therefore is evidence of the Holy Spirit's working, and we praise Him.

We are truly thankful to the Lord for what He is doing, not only in the boys but also in us as staff. He is testing us as by challenging some with low support. God is challenging others to seek Him more completely in their marriage. He is enabling others to deal with both personal and relational issues that tend to lie under the surface undealt with when things are going well, but come to the forefront under pressure. This is how God said He would work: Trials (pressures assigned by God) produce testing of faith, endurance, and completeness (maturity) (James 1:2-4). It is how He is making us like Christ. Pray that we will respond properly to His loving discipline in our lives.

God is faithful. He takes us to places where our usual coping skills aren't good enough any more. It's not until we experience how inadequate we are that we truly turn to God. My coping skills don't lead me to freedom,

they lead me to the bondage of pride. It's not until I learn how woefully inadequate my best efforts are that I turn to the only adequate one in all the universe. When I finally do that, I find peace and joy and freedom. My prayer is that God bless us with just enough adversity that we turn to Him.

God bless,

Bob Hostetler
Executive Director

Our praises:

- Mike B. has graduated from the program! Please pray that he maintain his walk with the Lord.
- Tyler has joined us. Please pray that he desire freedom in Christ.
- The Carliles are here! Chris started his work with the boys last week. Please pray that he stays focused on Christ, and that Karen be able to hear God's voice as to how to be involved in the life of the boys.
- The shell of the new school is finished! And the lumber for framing the school rooms is paid for and stacked inside the shell. Thank you to all who have helped pay for all that lumber.
- Some of the boys and their families were here for Thanksgiving, and we had a wonderful time.
- I am thankful for the staff. God has put people here that truly love the boys.

Our requests:

- We will have four openings for boys in January and February, and need God's wisdom for whom to invite.
- That we, the staff, learn more and more about how to minister freedom to the boys and each other.
- Pray that boys who have declared for Christ be willing to be trained in discipleship.
- Please pray for our safety and protection. The enemy would have us fail.