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Witnessing a change

Dr. R.W. Bolois, executive director



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Each month we share stories of clients that have made radical changes in their lives.

Each month we receive phone calls

and letters about how these stories are blessings and are passed along to other people who need to know that change is possible.

Knowing that these are true stories inspires others struggling with addiction and sin. I marvel at the great work God is doing here at New Destiny. Miracles are continuous. Don't ever forget that a conversion is a miracle of love. It is exciting to see the evidence of change in a man who had once said there is no hope and he wants to go back home. "Nobody can get rid of addiction. Why would God do anything for me?"

I never lose the thrill of hearing clients who once felt that way say how wrong they were and how good it is to be free.

Another gratifying aspect of NDTC's work is to have the privilege of introducing clients to someone who has supported them with prayer and financial contributions. We see the joy of our supporter and the client's excitement.

Robert Bartlett, from Grafton, W.V. has become a close friend to me and my family. Bob learned of New Destiny a few years ago when we sent a group of clients to Rev. Dave Maley's church in Webster, W.V. Bob attended a service there and his heart was stirred by what he saw and heard.

Later I returned to Pastor Dave's church with a different New Destiny group, Bob sat in the first row and held my grandson, who slept through the service. Bob's love for New Destiny's work has grown and he is investing in our ministry as a 900 Club member.



Dr. Bolois and Robert Bartlett

I once gave Bob a special invitation to come to Ohio and see first-hand what we are doing to rescue men from sin. He took me up on that offer this past Christmas season, during the Dec. 20 weekend. My wife, Judy, and grandson Andrew were with me to greet Bob. We had a weekend planned and prepared for our wonderful guest.

While Bob was with us he met most of my family and they all fell in love

with him. My two granddaughters said that he was "one cool Christian." He carries the Spirit of Christ with him as he offers praise and hope.

I took Bob to the Saturday evening service at the treatment center. He worshipped with our clients and sensed how God is moving. After the service a number of the men asked who was with me. I told them it was a man from West Virginia who loved and cared about them. They could sense his compassion. I had a difficult time getting him away to return home and to bed to be ready for a full day on Sunday.

The main Sunday event was attending the "Dads Still Care" Christmas party, during which clients present gifts purchased with donated funds to their children. We all go to the dining hall where there are decorations and food. Each family gathers around a table, where children receive gifts from their fathers. Bob witnessed many happy little children, fathers and families.

Bob talked with clients who are fathers. He talked with the children and saw their joy. Bob himself has a spirit that helped charge the atmosphere with the presence of the Lord.

Bob witnessed something that most people never get to see. We hear many cases in the news of the horrible

Expressions of sincere love

Rev. Lester Rowan, assistant director



Rev. Lester Rowan

February brings Valentine's Day—as well as President's Day and, of course, Groundhog Day. Each is marked in different ways, but it's Valentine's Day that brings great enjoyment as we demonstrate love

pork sirloin, potatoes, noodles, vegetables, salad and dessert. An abundance of food made it possible for everyone to enjoy all they wanted.

The Steiner family cheerfully served everyone in the true Spirit of Christ. Various family members expressed gratitude to New Destiny staff members for the wonderful work that is accomplished here for

annual event for these young people;



Top right: Clients receive gifts from the Apostolic Christian Church youth group.



Above: NDTC client, Gary Efford, shares his testimony with the group of students.

and affection for the special people in our lives. We try to think of new ways to show our love.

The information shared in this article is about



Steiner family lovingly prepares and serves a meal for clients on Dec. 18.

expressions of love and sincere concern for the well-being of others. I speak of those who came to New Destiny Treatment Center during the Christmas season to show their affection for our clients.

On Thursday, Dec. 18, the Steiner family served a delicious meal to clients, their family members and NDTC staff. The menu for this extraordinary dinner included grilled

those caught in the trap of addiction.

We deeply appreciate this marvelous display of service and love.

On Sunday, Dec. 7, a large group of youth from the Apostolic Christian Churches in Rittman and Smithville, Ohio, came to New Destiny to hold an inspirational service and distribute gifts to our clients. This is an

clients appreciate it deeply.

A few clients shared their testimonies during the event. Clients spoke of how Satan had lured them astray, but God began working to transform their lives when they arrived at New Destiny.

A client named Kent described the service:

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Dads Still Care party

Melinda Holsopple, director of development



Above: NDTC client Mike Bowersock (left) with his wife, children and grandchildren.

Right: Kaleb is speechless after he opens his gift presented to him by his father Mike Leavers



Squeals of delight, laughter and excitement were plentiful at the Dads Still Care Christmas Party held Dec. 21, 2008. Activities began with youth from

Akron Bible Church presenting an inspiring puppet show. The youth and puppets praised and brought

the Gospel to life for dads, children and other family members. The puppet show told the life-changing story of Jesus in an understandable and meaningful way.

Following the puppet show, families went to the dining hall for more Christmas festivities. The singing of Jingle Bells brought a familiar visitor—Santa himself. Children reveled in telling him their secret desires and posed happily for Christmas photos. Each dad (and a couple of grandfathers) presented their children

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A beautiful Christmas proposal Congratulations to Mike Leavers and Jamie Beamer!

NDTC resident Mike Leavers planned a Christmas surprise for Jamie Beamer... a proposal during the Dads Still Care festivities. "I wanted to be around Christian people when I asked her to marry me," Mike said before getting on one knee and



presenting Jamie with an engagement ring.

Mike and Jamie have had a relationship for the past five years. Their son, Kaleb Uriah, is four years old. Mike indicated in a recent interview that he "wanted to make it right with God," hence the proposal and upcoming wedding.

A May 2009 wedding is planned. Mike will graduate from the New Destiny program in late

July. He reports that Jamie is supportive of him and his decision to participate in the New Destiny program. He plans to become a certified addiction treatment specialist and work with juveniles after graduation.



Jamie currently works with disabled individuals while attending nursing school. Following graduation, Jamie and Mike will make their home in Tuscarawas County, Ohio.

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with gifts they had lovingly selected and wrapped.

"This is the best Christmas ever!" exclaimed one dad. "It is the first one I've been sober for in 12 years." His joy was shared judging by the looks on his wife and teenage daughter's faces.



Former NDTC client's son, Corbin is overjoyed by the gifts.

children and families. Dads Still Care is an important link in returning husbands to wives, fathers to children and sons to parents.

Dads Still Care would not be successful without the selfless sacrifices of our loyal contributors. We are grateful for the funds specified for the program. They were used to purchase gifts for 38 children. The funds from you, our donors, purchased more than just material things; they provided a reminder that dads indeed still care.

Dads Still Care is more than toys, games and other gifts. It is an opportunity for New Destiny dads to demonstrate that they have changed, that their families can depend on them. Dads Still Care gives our men an opportunity to strengthen the fragile connections with their



'Princess' Emily, daughter of an outpatient client.

Yes, I want to help return husbands to their wives, fathers to their children, and sons to their parents.

I am enclosing \$ _____ as a: 900 Club Member (\$100 per month) beginning the month of _____, 200__.

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I am unable to contribute at this time, but I want to be a prayer partner for the New Destiny Treatment Center. Please continue sending the *Destiny* newsletter.

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“Everyone was amazed at the number of kids who came to share time and show their care and concern for us. The singing was beautiful. Everyone was singing with enthusiasm.

“The gifts were very nice and many of us were moved by the generosity of these kids. It felt great that so many took time to be here. The clients were talking about it the rest of the day.”

Other articles in this newsletter focus

on our Dec. 21 event, “Dads Still Care.” This was another expression of love from fellow believers in Christ who wanted to demonstrate God’s love to those who need Him most.

In conjunction with Dads Still Care, a group from Akron Bible Church came to New Destiny that same afternoon to present a Christmas puppet program to clients and their families. The church group also gave food boxes to client families.

Another client, Gary, commented on all of the events. He said, “It seems like a little bit of Christmas every day here at New Destiny. I feel truly blessed.” He described the wonderful meals and gifts. Gary wondered if there was a “fat farm” near NDTC to knock off the pounds from the good food and treats from visiting groups as well as the New Destiny cooks!

Praise the Lord for wonderful Christian friends who enjoy showing the love of Christ in such practical, important ways.

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acts of sin and violence some fathers commit against their children. But the scene in our dining hall produces the exact opposite effect. Fathers whose addictions once caused them to want nothing to do with their families sat at tables with them and cherished the moment.

Bob left for home Sunday evening. No one of us wanted him to go. He brings such life and joy with him. He left his mark on New Destiny and I know he will never forget what he saw here

Thank you, Bob, and thanks to all of our other supporters who feel the work we do

is worthy of prayers and giving. We cannot do it without you. Only eternity will reveal what has been accomplished through your love and care for the men of New Destiny.

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