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Behind what you see is a human being

Dr. R.W. Bolois, executive director



Dr. Bolois

Appearances really can be deceiving.

Some time ago a man came to our treatment center

looking as if his life had crumbled. His appearance shouted despair. His eyes were piercing and his countenance was that of a distraught man.

I asked him if he would like to sit down and allow me to ask him a few

questions. I thought the man needed help, but that it ought to come from a facility that works with cases more troubled than those we deal with at New Destiny.

I quickly realized that I truly was talking to a scared, empty-hearted man. He didn't want to talk about the treatment center. He didn't even want a place to stay. He just wanted someone to talk with about his losses and pain.

I backed off my initial approach and began to feel his emotions. I then remembered what Jesus did when he met the demon-possessed Gadarenes

(Matthew 8:28-34). It helped me see the man in front of me as a human being Jesus loves. This man had feelings, thoughts, and words that he used to express what he was feeling in his life.

I believe that most people – as I initially wanted to do – would have run from him had they seen him in a dark alley. But, as he cried and I listened (instead of trying to take control of the situation by talking), my heart exploded within me. Here was a man God created who had lost his way and had no one with whom

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Time to begin year-end planning

Believe it or not, October is the month to begin planning for year-end giving. Please consider making a donation by Dec. 31. When you donate to New Destiny, you aren't just giving money. You are making an eternal difference in the lives of men and the generations that follow them. Our donors are a critical link in the rescue of those in bondage to addiction, the restoration of families and the promotion of the Gospel of the living God.

Here are five tips to help you make the most of year-end giving:

1. **Talk to a tax advisor:** Before making a significant gift to New Destiny, ask your CPA or attorney to assist you in understanding the effect of your gift on your taxes and estate.
2. **Do your giving early:** This is especially true if you are giving a non-cash gift such as real estate, stock or life-income gifts.
3. **Calculate your income:** Do some planning in anticipation of year-end tax liability.
4. **Review your stocks:** Look

at stocks you have held for more than a year. Which ones have appreciated the most? It may be prudent for you to make your year-end gift using one or more of these stocks. Here's why: If you sell the stock, you will incur capital gains tax on the appreciation. However, if you make a gift to New Destiny of the stock you get a charitable deduction for the full amount of the stock, just as you would if your gift was cash. If you can't use all of the income tax charitable deduction resulting from the gift, you can carry it forward for up to an

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In the storms of life God still provides!

Rev. Lester Rowan, assistant director



Rev. Lester Rowan

You may remember news reports about severe storms and tornados that ripped through the Midwest this August. One of those severe northeast Ohio storms did

significant damage to our property here at New Destiny Treatment Center. At least seven trees and a chain link fence were blown down and there was slight damage to one of our buildings.

In addition to this unexpected damage, we recently learned that three of our buildings have leaking roofs. We had hoped that the roofs would not need replacement until New Destiny's financial picture improved. However, when the leaks were discovered we immediately made plans to complete the necessary repairs. There is urgency to fix the problem before any further damage is done

to the interior of the buildings. I am sure many of you reading this article have experienced the stress of managing a tight budget. Unexpected extra expenses add additional strain. When these unplanned costs arise we truly have to rely on God's grace and wisdom to find a way through the trial.

The events at the treatment center have caused us similar stress and concern. Yes, we have insurance coverage that will take care of nearly all the storm damage. By the time you read this article, the trees will have been cleared away and the damage to the grounds repaired.

However, we are stepping out in faith to raise funds to take care of the roof replacements. Everyone on our mailing list

has already received an appeal letter to help with repairs. We appreciate every response.

These urgent needs cause us to go to the Lord in prayer and trust Him to provide through His people the finances to take care of our needs. God's people have always been faithful to share the burdens. We are extremely grateful.

Someone once said, "The storms do not destroy our house, they merely reveal how

well we have built." This was stated in connection with Matthew 7:24-27, where Jesus describes the difference between the wise man and the foolish man. Both men suffered the same kind of storm, but one house fell and the other one stood firm.

As we face difficulties in life, let us go to God and weather the storm. He is always faithful!



Overcoming addiction leads to new life

Client testimony by Justin Hayes



NDTC client Justin Hayes

I have been no stranger to addiction since my early childhood.

It has robbed me of years of my life.

I have

proven through nearly 16 years of problem drinking and other drug use that when I abuse substances my life becomes unmanageable. As my life becomes unmanageable and I become maladaptive to life, I ignore the signs that indicate I have a problem.

When I found New Destiny Treatment Center I was physically, mentally and emotionally sick. I was spiritually broken. I was at the end of the road on a painful journey. I was suicidal and afraid to live

without abusing drugs. My chemical use has been the reason behind my jail sentences, two prison sentences, countless hospital visits and several treatment centers.

It took NDTC and nine months to help me to realize the effects of substance abuse on my life. With spirituality at the core of the treatment here, the effects of this program are truly amazing.

I entered the program in August 2006. When I came to New Destiny Treatment Center I was not aware that I would develop a whole new attitude towards addiction. I learned the warning signs I once ignored that pointed out I was on a path of destruction.

At New Destiny I found the most compassionate and understanding staff I have ever met. I have learned and still

am learning more about spirituality and its ability to transform lives. I have regained my family's trust. Before I entered treatment this kind of life seemed impossible. The New Destiny staff now trusts me to help drive clients to and from appointments.

Today, as a result of NDTC, I am aware and totally comfortable with the fact that to avoid destruction I must remain abstinent of all mood-altering chemicals. I have dignity as well as an inner peace and happiness through the Lord that I wouldn't trade for anything.

I have graduated and I continue to live at New Destiny Treatment Center. I, my family and those around me are convinced this is the best place for me. For the first time in my life I am certainly happy, and a very large part of this is due to the New Destiny Treatment Center.

Help us raise the roof!

Melinda Holsopple, director of development

New Destiny residents and staff saw first-hand nature's awesome power as they experienced a recent, powerful summer storm. While many of the items damaged and destroyed will be replaced by insurance, it will not cover all of the repairs and improvements needed to make the dormitories here at NDTC habitable and pleasant.

We need you, our loyal readers and supporters, to assist us in making repairs and improvements to the 17 rooms housed in the "long dorm," home to 34 residents.

The building needs more than replacement shingles; its aesthetics would be greatly improved by adding siding to cover its painted block exterior. The 30-year old flooring would be more inviting and homey if replaced by carpet. The interior walls would become warmer if drywall and a new coat of paint were added. Finally, the replacement of furnishings and bedcovers would make the transition to communal living much easier for those anticipating a nine-month stay at the Center.

Please consider making a special, one-time donation for the repair and improvement of the long dorm. We have been blessed with an offer of volunteer labor for the repairs and renovations, a tremendous savings for a project of this magnitude.

We need \$50,000 to meet our goal of providing a renovated, safe and decent housing facility for the men who come to us seeking refuge from their addictions and despair.

with this project.

Thank you in advance for your support and faithful giving. We pledge to be wise stewards of the gifts entrusted to us.



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additional five years. Such gifts are deductible up to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income.

5. Consider a life income gift: NDTC, working through our financial planners, can provide you the ability to make a gift now, obtain tax benefits and receive income for the rest of your life. Please contact us today at 330-825-5202 to discuss this option further.

New Destiny Treatment Center pledges to be good stewards of the funds entrusted to our care. We are grateful for your continued stewardship and support.

I am confident that we will experience God's power unleashed through His people as faithful contributors financially assist

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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to share his life.

What a difference it makes when you see the man behind the garb he is wearing and the emotional garbage he is carrying.

How I wish men who have wrecked their lives could find someone who would see something in them worth salvaging. A son, a father, a brother, a husband going the wrong direction looking for something they will never find apart from Jesus Christ.

They act like they don't care as they attempt to brush others off. They talk as if they have the world by the tail and can do anything they desire. Usually they want to make you feel like you're the problem and they are just fine. They become argumentative and angry when you try to show them the danger of their situation. The whole world is wrong and they are right. They are in trouble and don't know it.


The question is this: who can look beyond outer appearances and offer help to the sick and hurting?

One thing on which just about everyone at New Destiny agrees is that if we do nothing else for a client that seems to matter to him, he must admit that we love and care about him. Clients know that we are not willing to see them continue to go through their lives running, hurting, offending, and ending up self-destructing.

These men are human beings just like you and me. The only difference is that they are caught in sin's vice. It is my job – and your job – to let them see Christ in us. There are times you may have to preach a sermon to get someone to understand you, but the best way to preach is to let Christ shine through you so others know that you care.

When Jesus encountered the demon-possessed men, he did not only see the evil that was consuming them; He also saw human beings who needed deliverance.

May the Lord help us to reach out to others we don't understand and not be misled by appearances. The main point that brings us all together is that we are the creation and God is the Creator. See man as God has made him: in His image.

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*In memory of Betty Bush:
George Bush*

*In memory of Charles Leanza:
Gerry Beyer*

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