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For God So loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoso ever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life. John 3:16

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*Cast All your Anxiety on Him because He cares for you.*

1 Peter 5:7

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# Mission Needs

### Needs:

1. If you would like to bless the men with a meal, contact the mission and we will set up a time. Call Steve at 208-610-6074
2. Monthly financial support to help with the ministry operations.
3. Meats: hamburger, chicken, sausage, bacon, eggs  
Vegetables: onions, peppers, salad fixings.
4. It's that time of year that we put out our request for firewood so that it will cure for next winter. We will need 4 cords, logs no longer than 15".
5. The reason we need to remodel the Chapel/ Dining hall bathrooms is that they haven't been touched in approximately 30 years. The flooring is the original sheet vinyl that is cracked and split in several areas. The toilets work but need to be updated. The bathroom that our house manger uses is Pink! The shower door has cracks repaired with duct tape and the weak shower pan is about to fail. Our vanity was pieced together with particle board. The estimated remodel cost is \$8000.00, any amount would help.

### Prayers:

1. Continue to pray for the men that the planted seed of God's Word will take root, grow, and mature so the men can enjoy the blessing of being a child of God. And for the men that leave the mission to hold fast to God's plan for their life and not return to the ways of the world.
2. We ask that you join us as we pray for just the right man (a God prepared man) to fill the position of BGM's Executive Director. We have posted our job description, qualifications, and application on our website, and sent several emails.

# Mission Updates

### Thank-You!

1. To those of you that have contributed to the purchase of a new upright freezer.
2. To Idaho Department of Fish and Game for donating fish to us from their netting program. We received Lake Trout, Northern Pike, and Walleye.
3. To the women's group, Triangle United, for the nice gift of food, toiletries, and some clothing.
4. To all those who support this ministry in so many ways.

### New Digital Newsletter

The new digital newsletter is up and running. If you would prefer to receive your newsletter by email instead of mail, please send Kelsey an email at [bgmsecretary@outlook.com](mailto:bgmsecretary@outlook.com) or scan the QR code that will let us know you want to switch to digital.



## Mission Highlights Cont...



Christopher Benedict:  
I was going through the darkest and saddest time in my life. So when I came to the mission I had zero expectations. The prayers and support from the guys were amazing. Even though my heart was broken into a million pieces the ministry lifted me up and gave me hope. Since then, many miracles have taken place in my life. I'm so grateful for the love of Jesus Christ and all my blessings. I almost caught a train out of this place and put an end to all my pain. Instead of that happening now I'm helping others and healing hurt everywhere I can...2 weeks can really make a difference. Thank You, Jesus and thank-you Steve and the guys at the mission. It was a blessing to be able to be there.



Marcus



Niall

Both have spent some time here at BGM. Unfortunately, they left the mission before I had a chance to get their testimonies. These are good men, they encouraged other men as they themselves were being encouraged. I know that we planted seeds of truth into their lives, and we pray that as they go back into the world, they will continue to grow and rely on God even if life gets difficult.



Josh left the mission back in March and has been living in Coeur d'Alene. He finally got a job. Hollis, a local Sandpoint pastor, ran into him at a mini mart and sent me this picture. It made my day to see him happy and doing well.



## Life at the Mission

Dear Friends,

It's been five months now since stepping back into the role as director of BGM. Time has gone by fast, and I have been blessed. I've been having meaningful conversations with the guys along with laughter! The men desire to change their lives to become better men, and it starts with a solid relationship with Christ. Each day we talk about the gospel and discuss practical applications. The men must memorize a Bible verse (Monday – Friday) and recite it at morning Bible study, even if they have to read it to help them through. We want to plant God's Word in their hearts and minds.

Taking from my pastor's sermon title, "God is in control, and I'm going to trust Him.", we talk about how God has a plan for their life. We also talk about how their lives do affect others. We all need to accept God's free gift of grace and trust Him to use us however He chooses.

Sometimes men come here who think they are entitled to a bed, shelter, food, shower etc., but are not at all interested in spiritual things. That's when I remind myself and the other men, "This is what we do!" Once our guest is showered, fed, and given any needed clothes, some of his rough edges break down and he becomes more receptive.

[Mat 25:34-40 NKJV] "Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 'for I

was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; 'I [was] naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed [You], or thirsty and give [You] drink? 'When did we see You a stranger and take [You] in, or naked and clothe [You]? 'Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' "And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did [it] to one of the least of these My brethren, you did [it] to Me.'

God Bless!

Your servant in Christ,

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