



Bonner Gospel Mission

*Serving the community
since 1987*

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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
ever
lasting
life.
John
3:16

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The **LORD**
will fight for you;
you need only to
BE STILL

EXODUS 14:14

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Mission Needs

Prayer is our most important need. Continued prayer for our staff to be able to minister to our guests with clarity, wisdom, discernment, patience, and the ability to listen well and give counsel that is in accordance to God's will.

Monthly Needs:

1. Homemade meals are a real blessing to us. If you would like to provide a meal please call and we can set up a time.
2. Monthly Financial Support for monthly operations.

Mission Needs

1. Remodel bathrooms in chapel building. Approximately \$8,000.00
2. Miter box (chop saw) and stand for our woodshop area.
3. New Freezer: the one we have is over 30 years old and on its last leg.
4. Please pray for God's will in preparing the heart of the man to serve as our next Executive Director. And for our Board of Directors as we begin the search. It's all in God's timing!

Thank you!!

We are thankful for all the cleaning and paper supplies donated by Northside Christian Fellowship. They do this faithfully every year with enough supplies to last the whole year. This is a tremendous blessing.

Mission Updates

1. James Noriega is no longer the Executive Director of the Bonner Gospel Mission. If there is anything we can help you with, please contact Steve Schubarth (current Executive Director).
2. This ministry's efforts toward opening a mission for women and children is currently on hold, because we need to focus on our present ministry to men. We are grateful for your prayers and support for this ministry which, also, helps women and children indirectly. We have witnessed that when a man's life is changed by the power of God, he will be that godly support for the women and children in his life.

If you know of a woman in need contact:
Community Resource Envision Center
(208) 920 1840

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 or scan the QR code that will let us know you want to switch to digital.



Mission Highlights Cont...

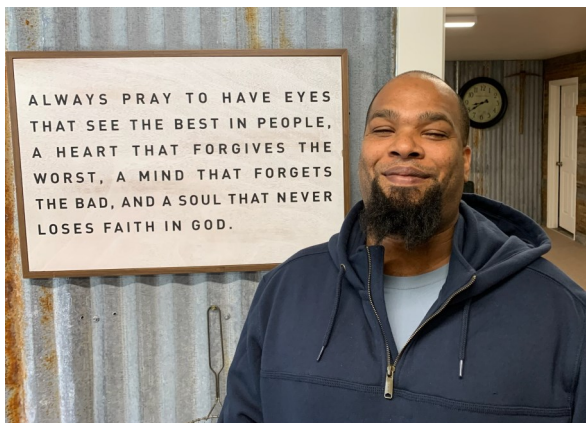
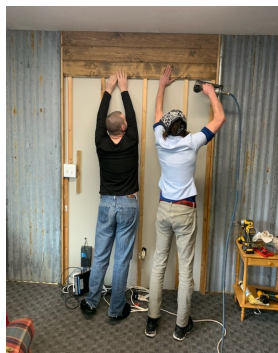
I was talking to one of our previous guests to see how he was doing. He expressed his concern that the transmission on his



car was making it very difficult to get to work and if he couldn't get to work, he could lose his job. The next day a woman called the mission and asked if she could donate a car to us. When things like this happen, we pause and thank God for miracles. I called Nathan and told him about this wonderful gift and I then was able to share with this woman how timely her gift was to bless someone with a car.

Thank you, Natalie Miller!

The Men worked on a project in the Chapel area. They installed rusty, corrugated metal with wood in the center then attached LED lighting around the cross for back lighting. Jerry, one of our previous guests, led the men on this project. It looks really nice.



Nasau:

I was a gang member and drug dealer, and I was in and out of prison. I needed to get out of that lifestyle in southern California, so I moved north to Bonners Ferry, Idaho to start a new life. I wasn't working but was with my kids while living at my In-laws. Which wasn't a great situation. Before I knew it, I was kicked out of the house and issued a no contact order. A Sheriff's officer brought me to the mission. He gave me a choice: you can either stay here and use the opportunity to change your life or not. Then he pointed in the direction of the Amtrack Station.

I was angry, resentful, prideful, and not interested in Christianity. I didn't have any church background or what to expect from the mission. I was immediately accepted by the other men. The color of my skin was never an issue.

After about a month, I started to help in the kitchen, prepping and serving meals. Hearing the gospel every morning and worship in music on Monday nights. Ryan and Todd, 2 men from a local church came regularly and showed the love of Christ to me. They taught how and what it meant to work and serve others without expecting anything in return. I accepted Christ as my Savior on a Monday evening worship time service.

I was hired at the Hoot Owl, busing tables, working as a prep cook and serving where ever they needed me. It's a real joy being part of that family.

On December 18th I was contacted by my wife to be served custody papers. I was broken all over again. But God had a different plan. Two weeks later she had a change of heart because she saw that I wasn't the same man that she once knew. She brought my 3 daughters to see me whom I hadn't seen for 6 months. Since that time our relationship began to heal and got stronger. We've been attending church as a family. Something I never would have believed 6 months ago.

Today is Valentines Day 2023, and I'm leaving the mission to be reunited with my family. I give all the glory to God! Only He could have done this miracle.

A verse that is close to my heart is Exodus 14:14 "The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to be silent."

That's what I did and was blessed way beyond my expectations.

To God be the Glory!
Nasau

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