### Newsletter / November 2022

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord, Praise ye the Lord."

Psalm 150:6

#### **Praise Reports**

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- Praise the Lord for a wonderful Staff Team Building Trip to Flagstaff.
- We here at Eagles' Nest are thankful and want to praise the Lord for all the wonderful men inside who send us regular messages. We are all enriched when we hear the blessings the Lord is giving to those who love Him.
- Praise the Lord for another successful year serving Him here at Eagles' Nest.
- Praise the Lord for the reputation He has given us with Parole & Probation. We are working hand in hand with each of them and many doors are opening.
- Praise the Lord, we have several new applications pending and one new person accepted this week.
- Praise the Lord as Able M. will be coming home in January and Kristopher A. will be coming home in February.

### **Prayer Requests**

- Pray for all the men inside who are patiently waiting for their day to be outside with us.
- Pray for all those who need healing from the Lord
- Pray for the Lord's perfect will with Eagles' Nest Growth Program
- Pray for traveling mercies for all those traveling during this Christmas season.
- Pray for all those coming out in 2023. We have several already accepted and hopefully more to come.
- Pray for continued good relationships with Parole & Probation for all 2023 and beyond.
- Pray for Steve & Deb as they continue to grow Eagles' Nest forward as the Lord leads.

# Gifts

The Christmas season is upon us once again. We have to remember that there are two different Christmas season celebrations going on, one is the worldly celebration and the other is our spiritual celebration. Most people, even true Christians, don't want to discuss this because the reality of it is difficult to face and even more difficult for us to change. We somehow feel we, and especially our children, would be missing out if we changed and centered our intentions on the birth of Jesus instead of on the partying, the food, the drinking, and the presents. Instead, we just fit the celebration of Jesus' birth in and around whatever else we have going on during this time.

The question is, do we have our priorities set correctly? Is the birth of Jesus Christ more important to us than the yearly parties and celebrations not focused on him?

At this point, many of you may be thinking this guy is a fanatic and is going too far with this. I once heard someone's definition of a fanatic, he said, "A fanatic is anyone who believes more about a subject than you do."

"For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba Father"!" ESV

### **ENM Newsletter**

#### Subscriptions:

We are constantly working to expand our outreach with the ENM newsletter. It is a way to keep people up to date with what is happening at Eagles' Nest and with the whole Eagles' Nest Family.

We also want to use the newsletter to reach out to people about the love of Jesus Christ for them. It may be an introduction to Jesus or a uplifting word to help people when they are in need. We look to the Lord to lead us to put out whatever He wants to say.

If you have an email and want to receive the newsletter or know anyone who may want to receive it by email, ask them and if they show interest, get their email and name to us and we will add them to the constant contact list. Let them know that every time they receive a newsletter, they have the opportunity to unsubscribe.

There are no restrictions on who may receive the newsletter, except they need to have an email. The only newsletters we mail out by snail mail is to inmates. If you know any inmates who want to receive the newsletter, please have them send us a letter to our PO Box listed below, with their contact information.

We have been receiving some really good comments on the newsletters we have previously sent out. Help us grow with this ministry.

#### Participation in the Newsletter:

We want everyone to know, we would like anybody that wants to submit material for the newsletter to feel free to do so. You may be an inmate, a resident, a former resident living on your own, or a friend of the ministry, we still would like you to participate.

It may be a poem you wrote or found. It may be a piece you wrote on a subject or a word you heard some preacher speak. It may be a scripture you read that was special to you or it may be a testimony you would like to share about what the Lord has done for you. It also may be a phrase or saying you saw or heard. It may be artwork you have done. There are so many possibilities. We would like you to share things with our whole family.

You can share as many things as you see fit, it does not have to be one and done. We welcome all participation.

There is no guarantee any particular item will be used in the newsletter, but all will be considered. We save them and draw on them as needed. Be one of our contributors. We only use your first name and last initial at the bottom of the piece.

When you send anything to us you are giving us permission to use it in any way we see fit. We do not return any items and they become the property of Eagles' Nest Ministries.

Be a part of this growing ministry. The people we serve need people like you to help them return to society as healthy and productive citizens.

Many people think they cannot do anything for God's kingdom, well here is something anyone can do.

That includes you. Join with us!

Donations - Tithes - Offerings

As you know, we have two nonprofit organizations. "Eagles' Nest Ministries" is a 501C3, donation based, charitable organization and "To the Least of These Adult Only Church".

Any donations to either are tax deductible whether they be money or non-cash donations. Any cash donations not designated as to which organization they are meant for will default to "To the Least of These Adult Only Church."

If you have non-cash donations you would like to make, please contact us by phone call, text, or email. See info at footer. Donations can be made by mail or by using the donation button provide below

Click Here - Be Part of this Ministry - Donate Today

#### Eagles' Nest Ministries 1st Annual Staff Team Building Trip November 2022, Flagstaff, Arizona

#### **Checking In Little America Hotel**

Starting the day in Flagstaff



#### Evening Meal & Great Entertainment

The singer is on one knee singing to Deb. As you can see by the red face and the turning away, she is quite embarrassed to say the least. We all thought it was hilarious. If that singer only knew all she does for us all every day, he would know how much she deserves special attention, even though she does not want it.

Thank you for everything Deb!



Morning Snow Dusting





Just Lounging Around

### Websites are Here for You!

Our websites are up and working great. We are working to add more information and content every day. Please visit each of them as they are there to be helpful and comforting to everyone. Click on the buttons below.

Visit our Eagles' Nest Website - Click Here

Visit our To the Least of These Adult Only Church Website - Click Here

### **Treasures From Outside**

### And Our Prayer Should Be:

"Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!" James 3:5.

Father, although our tongue weighs very little, we are unable to hold it... help us exercise daily to build the strength to hold that weight... What we ponder on now, inspire us to follow Your ways, help us to be encouragers, we pray in Jesus' name. Pastor Tom Green

#### The Perfect Husband!!

Several men are in the locker room of a golf club. A cell phone on a bench rings and a man engages the hands free speaker-function and begins to talk. Everyone else in the room stops to listen. MAN: Hello

WOMAN: Honey, it's me. Are you at the club?

MAN: Yes

WOMAN: I am at the mall now and found this beautiful leather coat. It's only \$1,000. Is it OK if I buy it? MAN: Sure, go ahead if you like it that much.

WOMAN: I also stopped by the Mercedes dealership and saw the new 2005 models. I saw one I really liked. MAN: How much?

WOMAN: \$60,000

MAN: OK, but for that price I want it with all the options.

WOMAN: Great! Oh, and one more thing, the house we wanted last year is back on the market. They're asking \$950,000.

MAN: Well, then go ahead and give them an offer, but just offer 900,000.

WOMAN: OK. I'll see you later! I love you!

MAN: Bye, I love you, too.

The man hangs up. The other men in the locker room are looking at him in astonishment!

Then he asks: Anyone know who this phone belongs to?

#### Quote

"Self-proclaimed Christians who worship a god that requires no self-sacrifice, no obedience, no submission, and no surrender are not worshiping the God of the Bible, no matter how much they claim they love Jesus."

Taken by permission from The Unsaved Christian by Dean Inserra, Moody Publishers.

## Eagles' Nest Ministries 1st Special Project

### **Grant Research Donations**

We are starting a special project. This is something totally new to us and we are constantly seeking the Lord's guidance on this project.

We are seeking the Lord's will concerning Donations and Grants to assist Eagles' Nest Ministries to become totally self-sufficient. We have been in prayer about this for some time and feel now is the time to take the first step.

After some research we have found a company that does this research professionally. The cost is initially \$1500.00. Today, we start the process of asking people to donate to fund this step of the project and see where the Lord decides to take us.

We are looking for at least \$1500 to hire this company. Any donations are welcome. Our original plan was to ask for 15 or 16 people to donate \$100 which would cover the startup cost. That would work great, but it may leave some people out who may want to be part of this breakthrough project, but do not have \$100 to donate or it may hinder someone who wants to do more to support the growth of Eagles' Nest by donating more than \$100. No donation is too small or too large. The Lord loves a cheerful giver at any amount.

We are in the process of setting up easy ways to donate, but for this initial special project, you can send a check made out to Eagles' Nest to our PO Box or you can donate using cash by giving your donation to John Matthews or Deb at the church. Soon there will be a donation button specifically for special projects on the website and on the newsletter (the donation button there now is for general donations). If you have any questions or need help with a donation, please contact John Matthews at the phone number listed below.

If we know who donated, a receipt will be available for tax purposes as we are a 501C charitable organization.

Let us join together and see what the Lord has in store for us and for Eagles' Nest. Praise His Name for all He has done and all He is going to do in His name and for His glory.

Thank you in advance for participating with us and may the Lord bless you beyond your imagination.

WORRYING doesn't take away TOMORROW'S TROUBLE So It takes away TODAY'S PEACE When trouble is in my way I can't tell night from day When I'm tossed from side to side Like a ship out on a raging tide

I don't worry I don't fret God has never failed me yet Troubles come from time to time But that's alright I'm not the worrying kind

Because I got confidence God is going to see me through No matter what the case may be I know He's going to fix it for me

Song lyrics from The Imperials, Elvis, Andre Crouch and many others

### Be Careful

What you do!

- o Be careful what you think about
- o Be careful what you wish for
- o Be careful what you daydream about
- o Be careful what you what you watch
- o Be careful what you concentrate on
- o Be careful who you associate with

Why do you do it?

Ask:

- o Why you think about certain things?
- o Where are your treasures?
- o Why do you wish for the things you do?
- o Why do you daydream about the things you do?
- o Why do you watch the things you do?
- o Why do you concentrate on the things you do?
- o Why do you associate with the people you associate with?

Why be careful about these things? Remember Thinking is the first step in our process toward actions. All of these cautions listed above could, and probably will, lead you to actions. Right thinking will lead to right actions, wrong thinking will lead to wrong actions.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Philippians 4:8

#### The Lion and the Lamb

"for <u>the Lamb that is in the midst of the throne</u> <u>shall be their shepherd</u>, and shall guide them unto fountains of waters of life: and God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes." Revelation 7:17

"and one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not; behold, the <u>Lion that is of the tribe of Judah</u> the Root of David, hath overcome to open the book and the seven seals thereof." Revelation 5:5





#### Jesus said,

"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

Do you come to Him regularly? He is there waiting to help you through every sorrow, every trouble, every sickness, and every joy. He wants to have a close relationship with you. It is a simple request to <u>come</u>, it is easy for you to answer Him. Just talk to Him like you would to anyone who really loves you.

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