

With a Heart for Prisoners

Newsletter – February 2022



We here at Eagles' Nest are all excited about this new year we are embarking on with our residents and all of you, our extended family. Please know, we cherish each and every one of you who support us with your love and your prayers.

We are growing in the Lord and in His plans for these ministries. We say "these ministries" because as many of you know, but some may not realize, we have two separate, faith based, donation driven, 501C3 charitable organizations. One is "To The Least Of These Adults Only Church" and, of course, the other is "Eagles' Nest Ministries".

We seek to spread the gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ to as many as the Lord sees fit to put in our pathway, as we serve Him. In addition, we strive to help as many people as possible, as they come out of prison, to get re-established in society with a firm foundation both spiritually, socially and economically.

This can only be done with the Lord's guidance, combined with the work of many friends of the ministries. Thank you for walking this journey with us and the Lord. "I (we) can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me". KJV

We are alive with excitement eagerly waiting to see what the Lord has in store for us this year.

<u>The Depot</u> – We are extremely pleased to let you all know we are finally holding services at our newly remodeled building called "The Depot". It is not completely finished, but the sanctuary and the fellowship room are both fully functional. The studio is the next area to be tackled.







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We had our first service at the Depot on January 29th and our second on the 5th of February. It is a wonderful feeling to be in our own place that is fully dedicated to the Lord. It is a safe, comfortable and inviting place to worship our Lord and praise Him for all the blessings He has rained down on each of us individually and corporately as His church body. Praise His Name.

Prayer Meeting – Effective Tuesday, February 8th we will begin our To The Least of These Adults Only Church weekly prayer meetings. The starting time will be 4:30 PM and will be held at the Depot. All are welcome as we join together to talk with the Lord bringing Him our Praise Reports and Prayer Requests and looking to Him for guidance daily in our lives.

<u>Daily Devotions</u> — As you all know we have a time of devotions each morning Monday thru Friday at 7:45AM at the Filmore house. This will continue and we will begin immediately to add an evening devotion time at the Depot on Monday Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The starting time will be 4:30PM. All are welcome to attend all devotion times. The reason there is no evening devotion time on Tuesday is because that is prayer meeting time and the reason there is none on Friday is because that is the Praise Band practice time.

<u>Celebration of Life</u> – Saturday, February 12th our service will be a celebration of life, remembering Rick Webb and the life he led as a true believer and follower of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It will be held at our normal time for Saturday's "Masters Table" (Evening Meal 5:00PM) and Worship Service (6:00PM). It will be a glorious time of praise to our Lord for His gift of a great friend and a staunch warrior for His Glory!



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Prayer Requests and Praise Reports - Prayer Requests and Praise Reports do not have to wait until Saturday Worship Service in order to be shared. Anytime during the week, you can share your praise reports and prayer requests. You can text them to John Matthews at 602-813-8283 or e-mail them to azeaglesnest@gmail.com . We will add them to our prayer and praise list and start praying immediately for the requests and praising God for His answers and blessings to each of us. In addition, we are plugged into a large prayer chain with people across the country, who will pray and praise with us, in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Only first names are used when sending to this prayer chain.

<u>Amazon Smile</u> – We are now listed as a charitable organization on Amazon. Amazon has provided a way for everyone to help their favorite charitable organization without any additional cost to the individual. All you need to do is sign in with our link and purchase like you normally do and Amazon will pay a small portion to our account. You pay exactly what you normally would and what Amazon pays comes from them. The link to use for this is: https://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-2705878.

In additions, Amazon provides a place for us to make, what we call our wish list of things needed for the ministry, which can be purchased through Amazon. We have a separate link for this service. It enables a person to see our list and if they would like to purchase any items on the list they can do so right there and the item or items will be shipped directly to Eagles' Nest. Our link is: https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/ls/D5JNST13VT7R

Please get these links out to everyone you know who might be interested in helping the ministry in this way. With enough people, guided by the Lord, great things can be accomplished in His Name!



<u>New Arrivals at Eagles' Nest</u> – We would like to welcome 3 new arrivals at Eagles' Nest since our last newsletter:

Jonathan Hill spent his first few weeks here with us while waiting for his interstate transfer to St. Louis, Missouri. Jonathan was and still is, a refreshing addition to each of us and we enjoyed our time with him. He is doing well and is still a part of our Eagles' Nest family. We wish him all the best as he continues to live for the Lord and gain strength from the Lord.

Tim Brown joined us and spent some time at the Fillmore home and now resides in the Taylor St. home. Tim is a real blessing with his timely words from the Lord, especially at devotion time. Tim is always looking to lift others up and be a positive influence for the Lord. What a blessing!

Our newest addition is *Blake Elwood*, who lives here at the Fillmore home. It is wonderful to watch his excitement and enthusiasm as he starts his new life on the outside. Blake is the youngest of all the Eagles and is open to all counseling and support as he gets his first job ever, and many other things he has never done before. He is looking for the Lord's leading in everything and his eagerness is contagious. He is a welcome addition to the family here.

We have several more applications being considered presently, with at least three already accepted and coming home in the next few months. It is always exciting to welcome new Eagles home and see them grow. We are looking forward to welcoming Ray Ayers home on March 10th and Anthony Herbert coming home on April 6th. In addition, Richard Gray coming home October 4th and as of this morning, Jason Adams coming home June 16th, 2023. We are praying for them and know the Lord will carry them safe in His Will.

<u>Expansion</u> – Eagles' Nest is constantly seeking the Lord's will on the direction the Ministry should pursue. We have plans, Lord Willing, to add 4 new homes in the next 4 years. The first one is in the planning stage now and we will have more information for you soon. It is exhilarating to watch the Lord work out His plans in His Time and in His Will. Please pray continually with us regarding this matter, that His Perfect Will may be done in all things.



<u>The Great Physician</u> — Although many here have had bouts with covid, colds and other ailments in the past few weeks, the Lord has brought everyone through by His Grace and Mercy. We praise His Name for watching over each of us and each of you.

<u>Correspondence</u> — We enjoy hearing for each of you and would like to encourage you to write. You may be inside or outside, your thoughts, questions, ideas, and suggestions are welcome here. Please use our P.O. Box for your mail. *Eagles Nest Ministries, P.O. Box33562, Phoenix, AZ 85067-3562* We will respond as quickly as possible. We are eager to build a relationship with all our Eagles' Nest extended family.

May God bless each of you as you walk and talk with Him daily. Remember, God Loves You and we do too!