

One Eighty Ministries

Don't turn to the right, don't turn to the left, do a u-turn to God.

November/December 2010

U-Turns: Ministry News



Announcements

1/1/2011-1/8/2011: The young adults class will be going through a "thing fast." We will each be fasting from one thing that takes up too much of our time from God.

Giving Tree: We are helping Oakland City Fire Department help the local children have a nice Christmas. It is located in the foyer at Lighthouse.

LA Dream Center Mission Trip

The One Eighty Team is heading for Los Angeles in summer, 2011. Projected costs are over \$12,000. Five of our team has reported their costs are covered! Praise God! Please consider helping raise funds or making a donation to help the rest of the team cover their costs.

This trip is critical for the training of our team. Please call Brian at 812-774-0949 for information on how to help.

I read this devotion in "Experiencing God Day-By-Day" for December 3, 2010. It is entitled "Wishing To Be Healed."

"When Jesus saw him (the blind man) lying there, and knew that he had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, 'Do you want to be made well?'" – John 5:6

Jesus asked a man a question that appears to have had an obvious answer! He came upon a man who had been lame for thirty-eight years and who was sitting beside a pool of healing. Jesus asked him if he wanted to be healed. Why would Jesus ask such an obvious question? Perhaps the answer was not so clear. Bartimaeus was blind, yet when he cried out for Jesus to have mercy on him, Jesus asked him what he wanted Him to do (Mark 10:51). It would have seemed apparent that the foremost concern of a blind person would be to receive sight. There were times, however, when Jesus considered it important for people to verbalize their need and specifically ask Him to heal them.

Just because we are spiritually sick, or just because we are near a place of healing, does not necessarily mean we want to be made well. We may attend church regularly, but choose to remain sinful. Our generation has taken many of the activities that the Bible identifies as sin and has labeled them as addictions or character flaws or the result of an abusive upbringing. We act as if having an addiction is sufficient excuse for disobeying God's commands. As Christians, we are no longer helpless victims of our sin. There is no sinful habit or past hurt that is beyond the healing touch of our Lord.

Have you gone year after year without receiving spiritual healing? God is capable of freeing you, but you may have become comfortable in your sin. You may not want to be healed. If you really want to receive spiritual health, God can give it today. He wants you to ask Him.



Brian and DeAnne Splittorff are in charge of this ministry of families in need of clothing, shelter, sanitation and hygiene items. They assist by not just giving a hand out but giving a hand up through education. They teach practical application techniques to first change and then improve the lives of those they minister to.

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