

Kingdom Builders Newsletter

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Five Fold Ministry

Bread of Life Studies Discipleship Training

Bible study

The Servants Heart Volunteering

Recruiting and training volunteers for Kingdom work

Fruits of the Spirit Project Sharing

Training and recruiting mentors and support group leaders - building godly character

Parables for Life Discovering

Having a positive impact on lives through the Arts

Operation Excel Improving

Life skills training and tutoring as the Christian life is lived out

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A Precious Stone

I was far inland when I came upon a deep ravine. I carefully climbed down and after a few steps I found a treasure - beautifully colored rocks! In the middle of the glistening pile of rocks was one dirty little stone. I thought how lonely it must be as the only one of its kind. To me it was the best among the shining rocks. I tenderly placed the lonely stone in my pocket and proudly returned to the boat.

I was confident that I would win the prize for the best find. Eventually everyone returned with their treasure. Each person began sharing what they had found, and finally it was my turn! I pulled out my beautiful dirty stone. Everyone began to laugh. Their laughter made me cradle my precious stone even more.



It seemed no one saw the value but me. A few days had passed when my dad asked to see the treasure that I had found. After close examination my father's jaw dropped and his eyes glazed over. He announced with a strange calmness, "son tomorrow we will go and have your stone checked by a jeweler."

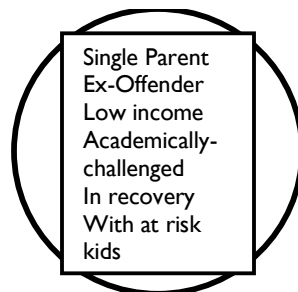
Early the next morning we left for the jeweler. I had no doubt that my stone was something special. No one seemed to recognize its beauty but me. Soon, however, everyone would discover

what I already knew! The jeweler took one look at my stone and said "let me just clean it up a little and you will be able to see what I see." After he carefully and lovingly took my stone and cleaned it, all you could see was sparkle. It was a diamond. It was now a treasure for all to see!

We too can be like the child in the story and find a diamond in the rough. Jesus is the Jeweler and the precious stone is the hurting, bruised, person who has no hope. After being lead to the Jeweler the stone becomes the beautiful treasure that it was meant to be.

by Sheila Green

*The Person We Minister To
Could Be A...*



Ministering to the whole person

We are sharing the reason for our hope while providing discipleship training. We are ministering to the needs of the hurting, as we share God's love. We are walking with people through the challenging times of their lives, one step at a time.

Support Groups*

Prime Time (boys and girls) Ages 8 – 13
Young Men of Valor 14 - 30
League of Extraordinary Gentle-Men 31 & up
Ladies of Destiny 14 – 30
Women of Virtue 31 & up

*Ages may vary depending on special needs

Voices from Prison

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound,"

Isaiah 61:1

Letters from behind bars:

"The book 'The Purpose Driven Life' I found it. I also am on a 40 day plan...So if you would still consider helping me along the way I would greatly appreciate your assisting me. Because I need all the help I can get." Tammy

"I can't run this race of life alone"
Bonnie

"Thanks for sending the envelopes. It's much easier for me to respond this way. Most of all, thanks for all that you're doing with my children & family...and my mother & me" Jan

"...will you please have a power group prayer for me & that's to ask our Lord in prayer to help take away the strong desire away from me to



...to proclaim liberty to the captives.

stop drinking beer, for that is the choice of drug I got." Jeanette

"I'm in my bible everyday. It's my life now. I made it to be a routine in my life now...But thanks be to God I've changed." Sarah

"God said 'that He would never leave me nor forsake me' even in my most troublesome times I can call on him and he will answer, so I thank Him for being here for me and I also thank him for putting you in my life." Joan

"I'm learning a lot here this time around. I want to make something out of myself this time I leave here. As long as I put God first everything else will fall into place." Sue

Inspiration Today

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is sadness, joy;
Where there is darkness, light.

Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
Not so much to be understood, as to understand;
Not so much to be loved, as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
It is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

The prayer of
St. Francis of Assisi

"Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matthew 5:14, 16

Up and Coming Events

Orientation Wholly Committed Ministries

George Washington Carver Museum
1161 Angelina St, Austin, TX
Thursday, August 3rd 6:30 – 7:45 PM

Come join us as we share the vision God has given us for Kingdom Building. Meet some of the people who have been impacted by this ministry. And learn how you can help hurting people walk victoriously through the very difficult times of their lives.

They will know us by our Love

Back to School Celebration

Austin's Park
Pflugerville, TX
August 2006

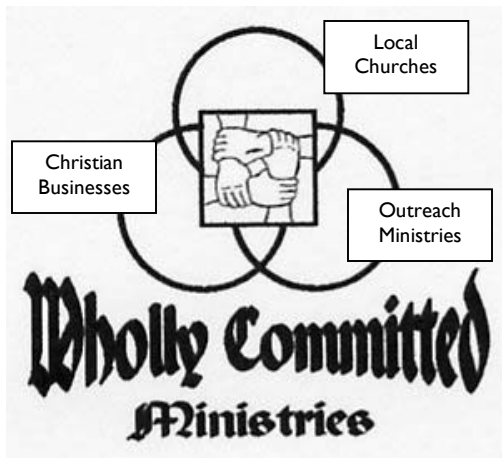
Celebrating the 2006/2007 school year and bringing hope to children in need. Providing new school clothes, backpacks and supplies. And encouragement that they can have a successful school year. Letting them know that someone cares.
Serving Children from 6 – 16
Austin, Round Rock, Taylor

2006/2007 School Year All Central Texas Schools Back in Session Week of August 14th

Adopt a school in your neighborhood and one from another part of town to pray for the administrators, teachers, employees, students and parents.

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Someone Needs You



We need you!

Wholly Committed Ministries are looking for people with the heart to make a difference in the lives of the hurting and the lost.

We are currently looking for prayer partners, volunteers, and sponsors. We need a web designer, Financial Planner, Fund Raising Chairperson, Ministry Leaders, Teachers... Join us Aug 3rd, 6:30 PM at the George Washington Carver Museum for an orientation of our ministry. For additional information please call Sheila at (512) 636-1381.

We are walking with people through the challenging times of their lives.

Won't you join us?

We can accomplish great things together!

Running the Race – To Victory!

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“Since we have such a huge crowd of men of faith watching us from the grand stands, let us strip off anything that slows us down or holds us back, and specially those sins that wrap themselves so tightly around our feet and trip us up; and let us run with patience the particular race that God has set before us. Keep your eyes on Jesus, our leader and instructor...” Hebrews 12: 1,2a (NIV)

Growing into a godly leader and living a victorious life in Christ takes training and practice. For Sheila training started in pre-adolescence and continues as she nears the age of 50. Through physical disabilities, near financial ruin, from shielding herself from disapproving eyes and voices of skepticism she now lives Philippians 3:14. *“I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.”* Her calling is to Kingdom work in Austin, TX.

One thing is for sure, she is not alone. In Austin there are individuals who are electing to live as Paul *“For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain”*. *Philippians 1:2* For many are willing to give up lucrative careers, 401 (k) plans, homes, businesses and vacations to follow the path that God has set for them. These individuals do not ask “what can you do for me God?”, but rather they say “Lord where you send me I will go and I will not concern myself with what I will get in return.”

Austin is the place God has sent them. It is a mission field and the streets are waiting for as many as will come. Laborers for the harvest are few.

Wanted: As many as will dare to touch the lives of the outcast, the mentally ill, fathers who are absent from their children, women with multiple children and a different father for each child, addicts, dope dealers, gang members, prostitutes, criminals, juvenile delinquents, disagreeable people and hard to love individuals who have sweet little children and some who are not so sweet.

Beware: You may be accosted, taken advantage of, you may meet death, not have an income, you may go hungry, give more than you receive, be misunderstood, you may get dirty, you may cry, you may make a difference, be a bearer of hope and lead someone to Christ.

To run the race and win the victory you must be willing to endure some discomfort, push pass the pain and follow the leader, Christ Jesus. The race is given to the one who holds out until the end. Endure and persevere for the cause of Christ!

“To him that overcometh, will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.” Revelation 3:21,22

*“And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.”
Revelation 22:12*

Victory!

Wholly- totally, completely, utterly, entirely committed to a Christ centered life. Wholly committed to submitting to the will of God, to serving and leading others to Jesus and to working with other believers to bring hope to our city.

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