

SURE NEWS



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Message from the Founder

Pastor Tim Bash
Founder

Unforeseen Consequences

I recently met a man who shared an incredible story with me about unforeseen consequences of a choice he made and how it cost him in ways he had not dreamed. He was an average guy in his 30's whose parents had recently passed away. As he was clearing out their home, he encountered the medicine cabinet with unused prescriptions. He quickly considered selling the contents of the medicine cabinet to make some extra cash. Without much thought, that is what he did. That is where the story gets interesting.

When he sold the prescriptions, he got caught and was arrested. He was in jail for four months. While he was in jail, his girlfriend trashed and abandoned his apartment. He was evicted and therefore he lost his home. While he was in jail, he lost his job and source of income. So when he was released from jail, he had no job, no home and no place to go. He found himself on the streets with nothing.

He returned to the church where he used to go. He was recognized by a man at the church who had compassion. The man helped him make a plan and offered to give financial assistance if he would follow the plan. After three months of living on the street, he now has a home. There are two important lessons here. First, it is important to consider the consequences of our potential actions before acting upon them. Second, even when we make mistakes, God does not leave us alone. If we return to Him, He is there waiting for us.



***BROKEN THINGS BECOME BLESSED THINGS
WHEN WE LET GOD DO THE MENDING.***

Outreach Update

Brian Fullerton
Outreach Coordinator



Challenges and Blessings

Hard to believe summer is here. This winter has been tough with some cold Saturday nights. We have started to receive a donation of bagged lunches from an organization in our area. We also had another great Christmas outing that happened to fall on Christmas Eve this year. We had several volunteers join us to serve hot meals to those in need. It is definitely one of our favorite traditions each year.

Unfortunately I missed most of the outings this past winter due to a shoulder injury but it helped me to remember how much of a blessing it is to be able to serve each Saturday night.

We would love to have you come join us. We leave for Philadelphia from Gloucester County Community Church at 6pm on the second and fourth Saturday of each month.

If you have any questions please feel free to email me at brian.youthmin@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Annual October Fundraiser Dinner

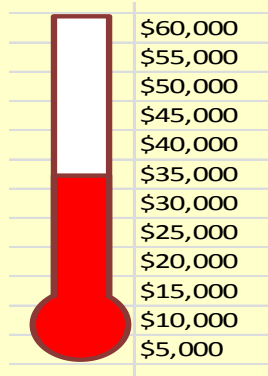


Volunteer Opportunities

Details To be Announced In Upcoming Emails

Camden outings are the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, leaving at 8:30 AM from GCCC Parking lot. Philly outings are the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month, leaving at 6:00 PM from GCCC Parking lot. If there is a 5th Saturday of a month, we take a break that week with no scheduled outing.

WE ARE GETTING CLOSER TO OUR GOAL!



WE ARE AT \$35,000

An Important Note About the Van

As you may know, the Sure House team relies heavily on our ministry van to fulfill our weekly commitments. Recently we discovered some mechanical issues that need to be addressed in order for the van to pass inspection by the end of July. In short, the transmission will have to be rebuilt or replaced. Unfortunately, the cost to repair the problem is very expensive. Our third option would be to purchase another vehicle.

Normally your generous donations above our operating expenses would be placed in the savings account and the graph would rise. However, in light of this situation, donations have been kept in our checking account in anticipation of our upcoming decision.

We are asking that you pray specifically for this situation. If you are aware of a good used van that we can buy for a great price or know someone who could assist us, please let us know.

It is our hope that God will provide a miracle and allow us to continue saving for His greater purpose.

Sincerely,
The Sure House Mission Leadership Team

