

NEW BIRTHS

On June 24th, we celebrated with two men in recovery that were immersed into Christ. We experience victory in Jesus Christ by pursuing a relationship with Jesus Christ. We are delighted to have shared the joy of these two young men committing their lives publicly to the Lordship of Jesus Christ.



Dale baptizes Mark

REFINER'S LODGE - MISSION STATEMENT

The ministry of Refiner's Lodge is to help men who struggle with sexual integrity by freeing them from impure thinking and acting out. We spread the message of hope and freedom. We encourage men to break through the barriers of fear and shame; to join with other men who fight the same battle. These men participate in Lodge meetings for education, encouragement accountability and prayer. We believe that with God's help, men can confront the causes of their struggle and begin to honor their commitments to purity. Men will begin to see change and victory. Churches will benefit from unhindered, active

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CELEBRATE RECOVERY

every Saturday at Rochester Assembly of God

6 P.M. WORSHIP

Worship Celebration which includes teaching on recovery principles, the Christian 12 steps, and "testimonies from the trenches."

7 P.M. GENDER SPECIFIC GROUPS

People safely share their thoughts and feelings as we work through the biblical steps of recovery.

8 P.M. SNACKS & FELLOWSHIP

We serve a light dinner over which relationships can be formed and encouragement expressed.

WHAT IS RECOVERY?

Recovery is the process of spiritual growth. It is the shrinking of the rearview mirror and expansion of the windshield as we move forward with life in the present.

WHO IS RECOVERY INTENDED TO REACH?

Recovery is for everyone! We all suffer hurts in this life. Many of us are seeking to overcome hang-ups and habits. There is a word for people that don't need recovery..."liar"!

WHAT IF I CAN'T COMMIT TO SATURDAYS?

Recovery small groups during the week are another avenue to work the process. Call Dale and let him know of your interest so that you can get plugged in.



Nick makes his commitment

REFINER'S LODGE - CONTINUED

men. Cities will benefit from revitalized Churches and our nation and world will be that much more refined for the glory of God.

Our Lodge in Rochester is making final preparations to kickoff regular meetings this fall:

- Starting Thursdays, September 27th - 7:30pm at Rochester Assembly
- A second group is planned for meeting at Crossroads College.

On the web, go to www.refinerslodge.com.

IT IS THE VISION - Dale DePeel

My vision for what God is about to do through our partnership is exciting and realistic!

- IT IS THE VISION to have a teen Celebrate Recovery in Rochester in 2008.
- IT IS THE VISION that Dale's support will allow him to be in fulltime recovery work.
- IT IS THE VISION for a Celebrate Recovery to be formed every night of the week in Rochester, Minnesota, through the encouragement of Net Mender Mission.
- IT IS THE VISION to develop a national resource through refinerslodge.com where men can be freed from impurity and set apart as holy for the Lord's service.

Vision is the ability to see by faith what God is about to do for His glory, all the while depending upon Him to bring fulfillment. Vision casting must be done with prayerful consideration and observation. God can alter the vision, yet most often he changes the eyes of His servants to see more clearly.

One Year of CR!

Year one of Celebrate Recovery was highlighted by changed lives. People that gave their testimonies encouraged us on in our daily faith walk. The baptisms of Mark and Nick filled us with joy. We also saw the addition of 3 new group leaders and the desire of the

nine member extended team to be further trained. Six potential or current leaders are planning to attend the regional CR training in Racine Wisconsin, September 29th.

My life is changing and my testimony is coming more naturally. I can see that boldness in others. To be able to offer a purity ministry through refiners lodge is exciting. We are on the vanguard of advance with Jesus Christ as Lord!

NET MENDER MISSION UPDATE

In July, the NMM team attended the annual meeting of Soul Harbor Christian Fellowship, where Dale communicated the vision. The old by-laws of incorporation were changed to reflect the outreach nature of SHCF and allow inter-denominational service on the board. A new budget was also presented.

We have continued to meet together through the summer and have shared in the peaks and valleys of what faith in the Lordship of Christ means to the DePeel family and their ministry.

Rejoicing

- The tie-dye day at Wal-Mart North went well as a fund raiser for CR.
- Dale had an extremely uplifting time in California at the Celebrate Recovery Summit, August 15-17. Highlights included speaker Kay Warren and being available to lead a young woman to Christ. A truly God-orchestrated event!
- A replacement car has been found for Dale! This has been a concern and a request for some time. A Christian dealer in Winona had just what was needed.

Prayer

- Dale's son, Brian, has had a very difficult summer and is still facing a range of depression and other mental health issues. Pray for his placement in a home where he can be surrounded by godly influences.
- Pray for the Rochester group traveling to the CR conference in Racine, WI.
- Pray for the growth of CR in Rochester!

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