

FROM THE KINGDOM BOUNDARIES STAFF
DECEMBER '22

MERRY Christmas

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

A NOTE FROM JEFF (MINISTRY DIRECTOR)

Merry Christmas from the gang at Kingdom Boundaries,

In 2022 we welcomed 34 new men to KB. We are currently full, with our capacity of 21 men and others being released from prison in the coming months. With affordable quality housing in Sioux Falls being in short supply, it is a challenge to find adequate housing for men ready to move on in their productive transformations.

With the many different hats it seems I get to wear as director of KB, the most rewarding is the one on one visits I am privileged to have with these guys. I spend at least one day a week inside the prison visiting with men who just want to visit or who are interested in coming to KB when released.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

MATTHEW 28:19-20

In Matthew 28 we are given the command to go and teach all nations. *Did you know this can be done inside the walls of a prison?*

This past year I have visited with men from different states around the U.S. and even from different countries around the world—Mexico, South Africa, Germany, and Central America.

Along with men from different areas, I meet and converse with men coming from different faiths and some with no faith. It is rejuvenating for me to talk to men about the Good News and how Jesus came to bring salvation to all who believe. Furthermore, when Jesus said, "It is finished!", the curtain in the temple tore from top to bottom, forever giving us direct access to God through prayer. He wants a personal relationship with each one of us. It is a hard concept for many, that God can be a loving Father when their earthly father was either unloving, abusive, or absent.

And now we're into the Christmas season. For many it is a hard time of year. *Please keep these individuals in prayer!*

Thanks to everyone for the encouragement, prayers, and financial support again this year. Merry Christmas!

Jeff Haverhals

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

JOHN 1:14

A NOTE FROM RHONDA (MINISTRY & CARE ASSISTANT)

As I reflect back on the past year and Christmas - my mind goes to that little Baby in the manger. And all the little things that happened through out the year...

Recently I saw a former resident I had lost contact with and we had a great conversation. He told me he now has a great job and life for him is going good. It warmed my heart! And this summer when my office window was open, a little girl and her dad were walking by, and the little girl said, "Dad, look! The cross that Jesus died on!" And the conversation that followed...

In the busyness of our lives, we need to remember and appreciate the little things in life.

Merry Christmas and have a blessed new year!

Rhonda Haverhals

MERRY Christmas



A NOTE FROM TIM W. (DISCIPLESHIP CHAPLAIN)


News from the Discipleship Corner:

This year has been filled with efforts in discipling new men at KB. There have been many residents who are hungry to serve the Lord and move forward in a new life in Christ. Whether you call it discipleship, counseling, or mentoring, the main reason why we do what we do is the following affirmation posted on my bulletin board:

*"Point to the One who can
redeem the SOUL (mind, will & emotions),
and then give a life of joyful peace and purpose."
(1 Kings 1:29; Rom 5:1; Phil 4:7; Eph 2:10)*

God's blessings of joy, peace, and purpose to all of you!

Tim Wendt



*"Therefore the Lord
Himself will give you a sign.
Behold, the virgin shall conceive
and bear a son, and shall call
His name Immanuel."
ISAIAH 7:14*

A NOTE FROM TIMOTHY B. (DIGITAL MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS)

For me personally, 2022 has been a unique and exciting year filled with unexpected challenges & changes!

For those of you who don't know, I spent 4 LONG years incarcerated before coming to KB as a resident exactly one week after Thanksgiving 2018. But then something amazing happened. After 3 years of living here on parole, 1 year ago TODAY (Dec 16, 2021), my parole agent called me at work to inform me that because I had been doing so well over the last 3 years, I was officially released from parole FIVE YEARS EARLY!!!

"Merry Christmas to me!"

The next day I walked in to Jeff Haverhals office here at the ministry, to let him know what had happened. We talked for about an hour when suddenly his eyes got wide and he said, "You're off parole!"

In my head I thought, *Yeah...that's kind of what we've been talking about for an hour...*

Then he said it again, "Tim, you're off parole!"

"Uhh...yeah, I know..." *I just told you that. A few minutes ago.*

His eyes were still wide when he then said, "Would you want to come work with me here at Kingdom Boundaries?!"

Inside my heart leapt! I let him know I was VERY interested in the idea, but asked if I could pray about it before giving him a firm answer. We agreed I would pray about it and then we would talk again in a couple weeks, after the holidays were over.

I officially started working here at Kingdom Boundaries on Valentine's Day 2022! I was now being given a job with the same ministry that had given me both a home and an opportunity to start over in a safe, Christian environment after my entire world had been turned upside-down! In 2014 I had lost everything, including many friends. Even though some people back then rejected, disowned, and forgot about me...I know God never has. I spent 4 years with Him healing, restoring, discipling, maturing, and rebuilding me during my time separated from the world. Then, when I was released from prison and came to KB, God once again brought people into my life who display on a regular basis the fact that the forgiveness, love and mercy of God is not only real, but available to even "the least of these"...including me!

I will ALWAYS be grateful to the staff and board of KB for listening to God's voice and starting this ministry years ago! And then for giving THIS broken, humbled, and grateful man a home! And THEN, for giving me a job a year ago, too! I've spent all of my life involved in ministry, but 8 years ago that too was stripped away. Yet God, through KB, has restored even this to me!

This year has been FULL of so many unexpected experiences! They have not all been good or easy, yet I've seen God moving in all of them! And I am very excited to see what He has in store for both me and for Kingdom Boundaries in 2023! I hope YOU will choose to continue partnering with this much-needed ministry which has become crucial to so many lives, including my own!

May God bless YOU and YOUR family, friends, job, and ministry this Christmas season and throughout all of next year, as well!

Timothy Bariteau



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MERRY *Christmas* FROM THE KB STAFF



***NOTE:** On page 1 Jeff said the holidays are difficult for MANY people, and NOT just inmates! A few years ago, KB staff member Timothy Bariteau, wrote a song for anyone who may need a way to express the pain of being separated from loved ones at Christmas time.

Please take a few minutes to go listen to his song!
If you know someone else who may also need to hear it,
please SHARE it with them, too!

To hear this song, visit our website,
or go to YouTube and search for
"This Christmas by Grace Fallout"!

Also, would you be willing to **SUBSCRIBE** to Tim's YouTube channel
(GraceFallout) it would really encourage him AND
will help get his music heard by more people!

Friends and family of Kingdom Boundaries, once again, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for ALL of the many ways you have supported the ministry we do here at Kingdom Boundaries this year!

If for any reason, you have NOT yet given financially, but would like to do so...please contact any of our staff or board members for more information on how you can do that!

Or, if you would simply like to make a financial donation, go to:
<https://www.kingdomboundaries.org/donate.html>

From all of us here at Kingdom Boundaries,
Staff, board & residents...

We wish you and your loved ones
a very blessed Holiday season!

Thank you for
GIVING in 2022!

If you still haven't made any charitable gifts yet, that's ok...

Giving Tuesday may be over, but the year isn't!

You can still give!

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