



# U-Turn For Christ New Jersey

Freedom from Addiction through Christ



U-Turn For Christ New Jersey Men's Ranch

*"There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?" Simon answered and said, "I suppose the one whom he forgave more." And He said to him, "You have rightly judged." (Luke 7:41-43)*

This verse came to mind when I thought of the Saturday I spent with a group of gentleman from the U-Turn for Christ program in Freehold NJ. These men rose earlier than they are used to on a Saturday morning to travel to Pennsylvania to help a community that they have no ties to. They worked hard to restore a community center for people that they will never meet. They came alongside a church that they do not attend. But that is the very essence of the verse above, those who have been forgiven much, find much joy in returning the grace that they have been shown. Our church at Calvary Chapel Lehigh Valley has been blessed to be able to serve the Lehigh Valley and minister to hundreds of people that have never stepped foot in our church. I am blessed as their pastor to see the body come together to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the Lehigh Valley. And that was never more apparent than when our brothers from U-Turn and the men from CCLV got together to bless a community in Allentown. We have been forgiven much...and returning that grace to others by showing them love of Christ is what being a disciple of Jesus is all about. To God be the glory!

**Pastor Alan Disbrow**  
Calvary Chapel Lehigh Valley

*Christ has no body on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which Christ's compassion for the world is to look out; yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good; and yours are the hands with which He is to bless us now.*



## Pastor's Heart

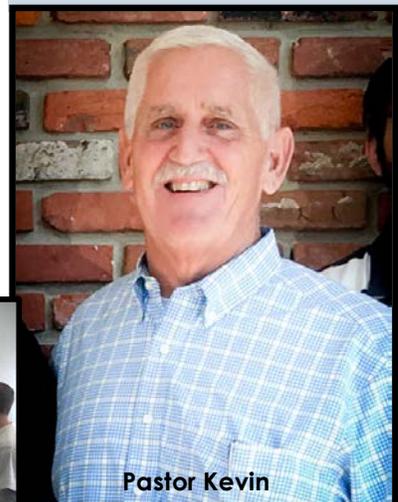
One of the things we seek to instill in the men during their time in U Turn for Christ NJ is the importance of serving. Next to helping them develop a strong prayer life, training them to have a servant's heart is one of our primary discipleship goals. Jesus was a Servant, and as the men find freedom from addiction through Jesus Christ, their desires also begin to change from serving self to serving others.

Recently, we have been BLESSED by a number of opportunities to take the ministry outside the four walls of the church and participate in different community outreaches. The men have really enjoyed working together to serve the needs of others. They are learning that the best way to find freedom from their own selfish desires is to give their lives away. In Galatians 5:13, Paul talks about this freedom, saying,

**"For you, brethren, have been called to liberty, only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh but through love serve one another."**

As the summer approaches, we are praying for more ways to take the ministry outside the four walls of the church and teach the men that apart from a strong prayer life, no greater joy can be found than when we give our life to serving others.

**"Through love serve one another"**



Pastor Kevin

## Learning to Serve Others



**U-Turn for Christ, NJ volunteered at a local runners event to benefit the Special Olympics of New Jersey and the Jersey Shore Dream Center.**

## Ways U Can Get Involved

If you would like to come alongside this ministry there are three important ways you can help.

First and foremost we ask that you would **pray** for the lives of the men we are ministering to, and for their families. **PRAYER CHANGES THINGS!**

*“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and it will be opened to you” - John 7:7*

Another way you can help is through **financial support**. U-Turn for Christ is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. We receive no outside funding and rely totally on donations. If you'd like to support us financially, you can donate safely online at [www.uturn4ChristNJ.com](http://www.uturn4ChristNJ.com) or send a check to: U-Turn for Christ NJ, PO Box 286, Allenhurst, NJ 07711.

*“The generous soul will be made rich” - Proverbs 11:25*

Finally, **let us help you!** If we can come alongside you or someone you love who is struggling with addiction, **please call us**. We are here to offer the help and hope that is found in Jesus Christ. That is what we do!

*“Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted” - Galatians 6:1*

### Praise & Prayer

#### Praise Reports

- Abundant food donations
- Lasting impression from local outreaches
- Provisions for last month's bills.
- Lord's wisdom & guidance

#### Prayer Requests

- S's upcoming marriage
- J/V/H cont'd favor with pending legal issues
- T cont'd reconciliation with wife and family
- A to find a job
- Continued growth in the Lord for all
- Victory over addiction
- Outreach opportunities
- All would continue to seek the Lord for all decisions
- Provisions for this month's bills

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