

# U-Turn For Christ New Jersey

Freedom from Addiction through Christ



This summer has been filled with great opportunities for ministry and fellowship with our friends and U-Turn families. The pictures below are a taste of what the Lord has been doing. Visit our website to see more pictures and ministry information. www.uturn4christnj.com

#### **Pastor's Heart**

"Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it" (Hebrews 4:1)

In our weekly Bible study we are currently in the book of Hebrews. Recently in my study time, the Lord impressed on me the importance of exhorting the men to enter into HIS rest, so they don't turn back to their old sinful way of life.

Understanding this promise is life changing, and will help the men to persevere and win the victory over the sin of addiction. It also falls in line with so many of the other lessons we have been teaching them, such as, not growing weary in doing good and being faithful in the little things.

As God continues to bring men to our front door, we will continue to pour His Word into them, and do our best to teach them the danger of trusting in their own strength, instead of resting in Christ's.

Please join us in praying that each of the men we minister to would understand and enter into His promise of rest.



"Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!" (1 John 3:1)



## Doug Mikula - Testimony

I was raised in a good Christian home, but despite the fact that I had a welladjusted family life I began using drugs in high school. By the time I was in my midtwenties, my life had spiraled out of control. My addiction cost me everything including my marriage and many of my friendships.

In 2015, after a number of unsuccessful stays in various rehabs, I decided to try U-Turn for Christ. During that time I rededicated my life to the Lord and began to develop strong and healthy relationships with people who genuinely cared about me. Many of those relationships remain vital to my recovery today.

When I left the program in late 2015, I stayed strong for a little while but slowly began to drift off the path once again. Eventually I realized that I needed to come back to U-Turn, and in early 2017 I entered into Phase One again. This time I plan to

stay for a while. I want to really make sure that I have a solid foundation and a plan for my life, before I leave. I don't want to make the same mistakes again.

This program has changed my life by teaching me how to continually strengthen my relationship with Jesus Christ! Today, I am getting opportunities to play worship music again, I am able to spend time with my son, I have a job, and I am even helping to oversee the ministry at the U-Turn house. God has truly blessed me beyond words!

"How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word." (Psalm 119:9)



## 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 - Provision for this month's bills 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 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

Pastor Gerry's recovery
All the men who recently graduated phase one & two
Employment for all in phase two
Reconciliations with family members

- New ministry vehicle

Ongoing financial provisions

#### Prayer Requests

Comfort for Pastor Steve (TN) after death of his wife
EJ's upcoming marriage
V's upcoming court case.
Those dealing with legal matters
J's upcoming ISP hearing.
Continued victory over addiction and growth in the Lord for all.
Open doors to share the work of the ministry with others
Comfort for family members
Continued unity in the house
Provision for this month's bills

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