

RESTORATION *Ministries*

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Dear Prayer Partners,

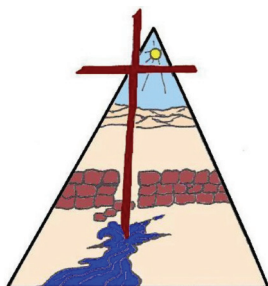
Have you thought about the ripple affect your life has on others when you choose to follow the Lord Jesus? One day Jesus saw two brothers, casting a fishing net into the sea trying to catch fish. Jesus said, "Come follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." (Matt. 4:19) They had no idea how the Lord would unfold the future and use their obedience. They just followed and Peter and Andrew were used to bring many people to the Lord Jesus.

Evangelism involves catching the fish (bringing people to Christ). However, that work continues through discipleship which involves cleaning the fish. The Lord isn't just satisfied with people being saved. He wants those who are saved to be set apart and become obedient followers through whom He can work to bring others to Himself.

At Restoration Ministries much of what we do involves cleaning the fish. As people experience the Lord's power in setting them free from the strongholds of sin and the control of negative emotions, flowing from their wounded hearts, they become part of the discipleship process in ministering to and loving others starting with their own spouse and family. A recent letter from one of our alumni who experienced the Lord's healing of her heart and marriage (over 6 yrs. ago) is a vivid reminder of this principle. She says, "I was sitting in church a couple of weeks ago and looking around at all the couples you and Brenda have helped just within my church and community. When my husband and I were going through our struggle, I wondered why it was happening. I don't know that my parents would still be together had they not come to you. They came because I didn't give them a choice because of what I experienced! Just want to say THANKS for being willing to follow where God has led you!"

We want to encourage you to take steps of faith and follow the Lord and watch how God unfolds the future. Thanks for being a part of "cleaning fish".

In Christ and For His Kingdom Purposes,
Roger and Brenda Daum



Isaiah 58:11-12

A Word from Roger: Suggestions For Being Emotionally Available To Children and Grandchildren

(Continued from our February newsletter)

7. Affirm and consistently praise them. There are always negative things that can be pointed out. There is a right way and time to do this; however, everyone needs encouragement and affirmation. Find positive things to affirm or to express appreciation for. Express affirmation to their parents as you see them doing a good job in parenting. Do not go to their games or activities and then later talk about what a good athlete, musician, etc. their classmate is, but neglect to affirm our children or grandchildren first.
8. Understand and discern their love language. There are 5 ways that people speak the language of love (Acts of Service, Physical Touch and Closeness, Gift Giving, Quality Time, Words of Encouragement). People will have one or two primary love languages out of which they show love. They will feel loved as love is communicated in their love language.
9. Make more deposits into your relationship account than withdrawals. There are times in every relationship when a withdrawal takes place due to a failure or fault.



However if we are making consistent "love deposits" in the account we will not find the relationship overdrawn when there is an occasional withdrawal.

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Upcoming Conferences

“Equipping People To Help People”-Parkview Baptist (803 W. 18th St. in Lexington, NE) Fri. Aug. 23 (7-9 pm), Sat. Aug. 24 (9 am-4:30 pm). We will share important concepts for disciplers, small group leaders, pastors & counselors, to help them understand how to care for emotional wounds & help people remove hindrances to spiritual growth & emotional freedom. We will share practical insights on helping people resolve their emotional wounds and spiritual problems or enemy oppression. A powerful prayer process will be illustrated. For reservations call Parkview Baptist Church (308-324-4410).

“Transforming Relationships God’s Way”-Sept. 8 & 15 at Faith Chapel in Gothenburg, NE. Sessions will be at 10 am, 11 am, & 7 pm.

“Essentials To Enjoying Marriage”-Nov. 22-23 (River Valley Evangelical Free Church in Arapahoe, NE). For married couples or those preparing for marriage. Watch our web-site for more details: <http://restorationministriesonline.weebly.com>

Praise & Prayer Items

1. God’s faithfulness in providing for the financial needs of Restoration Ministries.
2. Pray that God prepares the hearts of those who are coming in the next few months.
3. For several who have trusted the Lord as their Savior in the counseling process recently.
4. Pray for those who have come to continue applying the truths they learned and continue to love and care for their spouses heart and not fall back into the old ruts they were once in.
5. For Brenda and I to have a safe and restful vacation Aug. 4-18. Pray that we will be spiritually, physically, and emotionally refreshed through the Lord.

Testimonies

A wife writes:

“One year ago today, my husband and I were finishing our week of counseling with you. Both of us “glance” back and can hardly believe we are in such a different place today. Our time in Cozad took us out of a deep, miserable hole and set us on good ground. Of course we have had our ups and downs, but we are now traveling together, walking through them side-by-side. It’s so great to be able to really love somebody and feel their love. It fills our home with peace, security, and smiles --even from the dog.”

A wife writes:

I cannot thank you enough! The work of the Lord in my heart and what He did for us...too wonderful to express! So very grateful! Our week will go down in our memory as a point in which we have learned, grown, and received more of Jesus.”

A husband writes:

When we walked in your door on Monday, our hearts were so damaged, we thought a miracle would be required to heal our hearts and restore our marriage. My wife and I can’t thank you enough for the Godly shepherding you provided to us during our week with Restoration Ministries. To say God worked a miracle in our marriage is an understatement. Through you, God took the scales off my eyes and unlocked my heart.”

A wife writes:

“Thank you so much for the time and kindness you extended to us. We have truly felt the tenderness and love of Jesus through you.”

Report From The Philippines:

When we were in the Philippines in 2008 with Dr. & Mrs. Chuck Lynch to help equip, teach & train Christian leaders, we partnered with Ed & Norma Gaston. They are a wonderful Christian Filipino couple who are training Christians to minister to the broken hearted & help them experience the power of Jesus Christ in their lives.



Recently they wrote: “The ministry has been good; we are kept busy with the opening of the new school year. We have been asked to do Parenting & Marriage Enrichment Seminars all over the country. The materials & visual aids left with us are used extensively. Thank you for your continued partnership. It is a joy to serve the Lord with you.”

They also shared an exciting Mid-Year report of what God is doing through their ongoing ministry of training pastors & Christian workers from jungle churches, as well as through counseling seminars for parents & couples, & the training of 10 young leaders from 4 different churches in Davao who are being equipped to do the counseling in their local churches. You can find the complete mid year report and a power point presentation with pictures at: <http://restorationministriesonline.weebly.com/philippine-typhoon-pablo-victims.html>.

If you would like to give a love offering to help them provide basic needs, help & hope through Jesus Christ & the Word of God please send your gifts to Restoration Ministries designated for the “Philippine Project”.