

Denton Freedom House

Second Quarter Newsletter 2017

A Word From Our Founder

Solomon said that a poor man that oppresses the poor is like a beating rain that leaves no food. How unfortunate when that which was intended to bring life and refreshment instead brings oppression and destruction. Oppression of the poor occurs when we leverage our power, authority, position, title, wealth,

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Jeremy Adams -

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inherent weakness that summons the power of Christ in my trials and difficulties, that provides the motivation to forgive and release others of their debts to me, and that moves me to bring comfort to those that are distressed in all manner of trials.

Through the awareness of my own nakedness I am compelled to engage in charity and benevolence to the poor and defenseless, which enables me to avoid the pitfall of becoming nothing more than

a beating rain in the midst of such a great potential harvest.



people in attendance and raised close to 37% of our annual budget in this one evening. That's the great

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gifts, talents, and abilities over the interests or well-being of another, especially one that is weaker. Abuse of the weak can also occur when we neglect to be that source of life and refreshment that the weaker one so desperately needs, particularly when we are in such a privileged position to provide it.

To Solomon's point, this is even more grievous when we fail to remember that formerly, we were that poor person, and that also, presently, we are that poor person.

The understanding of this principle of personal poverty of spirit is that which undergirds all righteousness. It is the understanding of my own

I am pleased to report to you that we here at the Denton Freedom House continue to be engaged on the front lines of human desperation, and we invite you to join us as we water the barren with the tender showers and dew of heaven!

DENTON FREEDOM HOUSE 2017 GALA

I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone who made this year's gala at the Texas Motor Speedway a success. It was an amazing evening in the Presence of God. The worship, testimonies, speakers, and entire program were incredible. We are pleased to report that we had nearly 600



news. The rest of the story is that we have 63% to go! If you are



interested in learning how you can contribute, check out the article on the Nehemiah Project on the next page. For those interested in attending next year's banquet stay tuned. Information coming soon!

THE NEHEMIAH PROJECT

Rebuilding the ruins of men's lives for less than
the price of a daily latte!

Nehemiah Chs. 1-3

The rebuilding of the wall that was destroyed in the destruction of Jerusalem was a project that was bigger than one tribe. Nehemiah called on all Israel to participate. They responded...each tribe bringing their beams, bolts, bars, and doors.

TOGETHER, WE CAN DO MORE!

Some of you have asked how you can get involved at the DFH and what our greatest need is. This year we have introduced The Nehemiah Project, which is our primary giving campaign!

LESS THAN THE PRICE OF A LATTE PER DAY!

The Denton Freedom House performs a ministry that few individuals, families, or even churches in the North Texas area are able to perform.

We provide residential rehabilitation to broken men

coming out of addiction, incarceration, and broken homes, free of charge. Many of these men come from our own homes, families, and churches.

Our work has grown to the extent that we can no longer operate without the support of the greater faith community of North Texas. Would you consider partnering with us that we may continue to battle on the front lines of the spiritual war that is claiming the hearts and souls of many of our own?

OUR GOAL: 500 PARTNERS AT \$50/MONTH

A little bit of consistent support can be worth more than larger one-

time gifts. Five hundred partners at \$50/month completely funds our entire 2017 annual budget!

Would you consider partnering with us by becoming a recurring

monthly donor or by becoming a champion that recruits other donors? If you would like to partner with us you can make your donation at the link below:

www.nehemiah.dentonfreedomhouse.org





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Testimony Spotlight

Walter Lofton



Hello my name is Walter Lofton. I am an intern at the Denton Freedom House. I am going to tell you the testimony that God has blessed me with. I was a hard-headed kid growing up. I did drugs and stole everything that wasn't bolted down. When I was ten years old I was molested by my aunt's boyfriend. I went years in-and-out of the homosexual lifestyle. All that I was doing got me to the point of going to prison. While I was locked up Jesus found me broken, and I gave my life to Him. But I was not done with the lifestyle of sex, drugs, and being a criminal in the world. When I was 28 years old, I was raped three times,

because God had let me go to my sin. In that, I surrendered all to Him, and for the first time I felt salvation and true forgiveness for all people and what they had done to me. Now God has put in my heart to love His people, His creations. I want to go around the world to show people that are lost, lonely, and afraid, all of the love that Jesus Christ has for them. I want to be more in communion with Christ so that I can be an ambassador for His kingdom. I want to plant churches, and to worship with people in underground churches. I want to fellowship with all types of Christians all around the world.

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Get Connected With

Chad Eskew

Director of Development and Growth

completely and utterly broken. I sincerely cried out to Jesus that night, November 18th, 2014, and He forever changed my

heart and life.

TURNING A PAGE

Having recently accepted

guidance, and unending love. For that I am forever grateful. God began to change my heart immediately and my relationship with Him continues to grow stronger with each day since.

Today I am a staff member at the Denton Freedom House and find joy serving the Lord as the Director of Development and Growth.

ministry has grown to the extent that this now keeps me busy full-time!

I WOULD LOVE TO CONNECT WITH YOU FACE TO FACE

to see how we might best connect in serving the interests of the kingdom of God!

CHAD ESKEW

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH

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I spent 18 years of my life consumed by drugs, alcohol, and gambling. I was robbing other people and stealing from my family to make sure I had enough drugs to get through each day. I was a master manipulator and a bold-faced liar. Over the years I managed to accrue an extensive criminal history and ruin countless relationships. My heart was hard. I was lost. I was scared and I had no hope. In a jail cell at Tarrant County Jail, facing my third felony, I was

Christ into my heart and experiencing the overwhelming presence of God in my life, I was released from jail and needed spiritual guidance, direction, and accountability. On January 28th, 2015, I enrolled in the discipleship program of the Denton Freedom House in Aubrey. The DFH and its staff took me in, at no cost, and provided me with a bed, food, biblical knowledge, spiritual

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It is my responsibility to help connect resource with the needs of our home and ministry. Our

Follow along on the next page for more information!



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CONNECTING RESOURCE

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PLEASE CONTACT ME...

to learn how you can get connected with the needs of our ministry. For example, you can ...

SCHEDULE A TOUR OF THE DFH CAMPUS

or you can get the most intimate

exposure to our ministry by attending our weekly dinner and church service on Saturday night when all of our residents, staff, visitors, and church members are present together.

YOU CAN ALSO ATTEND OUR MONTHLY LUNCHEON AT ZERA COFFEE COMPANY

on the first Tuesday of every month from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Your presence in our home and around our men is priceless and greatly appreciated. You can also...

SCHEDULE US FOR SPEAKING/TESTIMONIALS

in your church. I can also help get you connected with some of the daily physical needs of the home such as

FOOD, TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT, AND VARIOUS SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES.

You can teach a class, cook a meal, repair a vehicle, or offer professional services. And finally, I can also connect you to some of the larger projects

that are ongoing or are being planned, such as a future women's home, our plans for a waste water treatment plant, or our current children's home in India.

I may be reached by:

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Thank you,

Chad Eskew

Join us for dinner and worship on Saturday nights at 5:30 p.m.



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*From the guttermost, to the
uttermost, to the outermost!*



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