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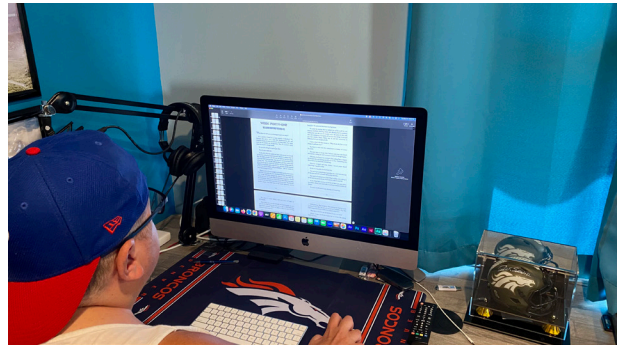


Dear Friends,

Hey Everyone, Happy September! I hope September finds you doing well and your favorite football team having a good week one (unless you're a Cowboys fan, I wish nothing good on your team, lol).

I have absolutely no idea how we are halfway through September already! It is flying past! Before we make it too deep into the month, I wanted to share some information about our ministry via this monthly newsletter.

I have been working night and day to finish the new book and Bible Reading Plan for the 2024 Mantours, and yesterday, we sent the final draft to the publisher to be printed! These two books took the better part of three months to complete. Writing 12 new chapters for the book and 52 new weekly devotionals was quite the undertaking! Then I had to design the covers (I'll show them to you next month, I promise!) and do the interior design, followed by constant proofing and reproofing. To be totally honest, I'm rather tired of reading them! But they are finished!



I have also booked all the locations for the 2024 Mantour Conferences (theme also to be announced next month!), including three new host churches and locations! I have almost all the speakers hired, and then I will start designing the individual promo material for all nine conferences. Postcards have already been ordered so that I can have them at the PennDel Potomac Men's Conference next month.

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So, as you can see, we are in full 2024 Mantour mode here. Unfortunately, during all this hard work, we had a huge wrench thrown into our lives. It is a huge challenge facing us that I want to share with you today.

At the recent Assemblies of God General Council, the Executive Committee changed its rules, significantly impacting us as missionaries. They now require Missionary Associates to raise their entire budget in 12 months. So, I have until the end of 2024 to raise 100% percent of my support budget.

This support budget is how Adessa and I receive salary. The faithful support of our monthly financial partners is what allows Mantours to happen. It will enable us to reach men in Teen Challenge centers. It is how we survive financially.

We have raised about 65% of the budget we are required to raise. We receive this amount faithfully from our supporters. However, according to AGUS Missions, we have only raised 42% of our budget because many faithful supporters haven't made a Faith Promise. Until this point, it hasn't been a huge deal to us. Non-faith promise money spends the same as money given via a faith promise. However, US Missions doesn't take this view.



So we need to raise 100% of our budget, and we need people to make faith promises. It has to be done. It can't be delayed any longer. Failure is not an option!

I NEED YOUR HELP!!

How can you help?

1. Make a Faith Promise

Would you be willing to become a monthly financial partner with us? I know times are tough for many financially, but I genuinely believe this is a ministry that produces fruit! Check out a few of the testimonies we have received from men whose lives have been changed by God at Mantour Conferences.

A who attended the Central Pa Mantour said, "I've been a Christian and attended church for a long time. Still, I knew there were areas of sin in my life that I was excusing and saying, 'It's not a big deal.' Then, we went to the Mantour, and the Holy Spirit convicted me and showed me I needed to change. I went to the altar, made a commitment, and put those things behind me for two months. I'm not going back again."

Another young teen who attended this Mantour was a new believer. He said, "There is something different about this conference. I've never experienced anything like this before." A pastor said he never felt anything like the presence of God that was at the altar that day. You could feel it when you stepped off the stage.

At our Philly Mantour, a man told Adessa at the registration table that he could only stay for the first session because he had an appointment. Then, after the first session, he came out and said, "I gotta cancel my appointment—the Holy Spirit is moving at this event, and I need to be here!"

At our Altoona Mantour, we were able to partner with one of the men who attended, Dennis Dilbert, and donate three copies of each of our ten books to the library he is creating in Bedford County Prison. Dennis shared with us that many different men will read each book through his library, and he told us of some of the testimonies his library has already created. It is our honor and privilege to partner with men like Dennis, who are advancing God's kingdom and reaching other men.

At our Teen Challenge Mantour, one gentleman, who is now staff, told us that he finally finished last year's *"Ride or Die Bible Reading Plan."* He said that before he got this book, he struggled with a lack of direction and understanding in reading the Bible. When he used our *"Ride or Die Bible Reading Plan,"* it gave him direction, showed him how the Bible went together, and the devotionals helped him understand what he was reading. He was so excited that he just finished last year, and now he had *"Legendary Truth"* to use this year.

Another man at Teen Challenge told us how much the book *Legendary Grit* had helped him. He shared that even though he'd gone through the program and been sober for almost two years, his family (especially his kids) struggled to rebuild the relationship. The book and Bible plan had really helped him see the need to try and reconcile with them. While he was excited about what Christ was doing in his life, they still weren't sure if they could trust him. He ended by sharing that he realized that all he could do was continue faithfully following Christ and allowing God to continue making him into the man he needed to be. His prayer is that with time and consistency, his family will see that the change is real and give him another chance. Either way, he said he's committed to following God and changing his life. He thanked us for writing the books and helping him realize this.

At the 2023 Mantour Conferences, we reached men from 129 different churches, and we had 24 men accept Christ as their Savior. We had hundreds of men come to the altar seeking more of God.

We have been able to reach men in 13 different states in Federal Prisons and 14 different states in state prisons. We have reached men at Teen Challenge Centers in 10 different states and in recovery centers as far away as Minnesota, Texas, and Florida!

We are doing a good work, and fruit is being produced. I need your help to continue reaching men!

Please make a commitment to help us financially. To set up a recurring support schedule, visit:



<http://s1.ag.org/jamieholden> to give to my Missionary Associate Account.

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Thank you in advance!

2. If you are a current supporter, please make a Faith Promise as well.

This is so easy to do...all you need to do is go to <https://usmissions.ag.org/FaithPromise> and fill out this info request. My Account number is 2813962. It is such an easy form to fill out, but it means so much administratively and to my Missionary status. Would you please fill out this form?

3. Recommend other friends and churches make a Faith Promise.

If you know anyone looking for a fruitful ministry to invest in, please recommend that they make a Faith Promise to help us financially. If you are a pastor, encourage your church to make a Faith Promise. If you know other pastors, encourage them to give.



4. PRAY!

I believe that prayer can move mountains. I am standing in front of a huge financial mountain right now. Please pray for us!



Would you please pray for:

More churches and individuals to become monthly supporters so we can raise this vital budget. Pray they see the importance and reach this ministry has and want to give to it.

That current supporters will also be open to making the actual faith promise.

That God moves on people's hearts to encourage others to give to our ministry.

There are so many more men who need to reach. We have had requests from so many churches and even other states like New York, Maryland, and Minnesota to bring the Mantour Conferences to their areas. We need to be financially secure to grow where God leads this ministry.

God is doing so much, and I love being able to serve men and help them find freedom in Christ. But I can't do it alone...I need you! You can make a difference!

I hope you have a fantastic fall. If you go to the PennDel Potomac Full Throttle Men's Conference, make sure to stop at our display and say hello. I appreciate every one of you... thank you for reading this newsletter. Enjoy September, and of course, Go Broncos!

Reaching men together,
Jamie Holden

Founder/Director, Mantour Ministries,
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