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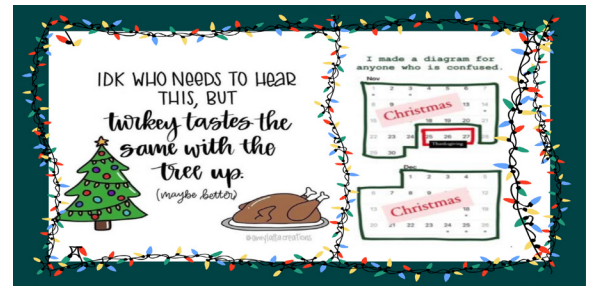
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Dear Friends,

I hope you are doing well. The other day, I saw a reel on Instagram about someone saying, "Can you believe it's November?" and another person sarcastically replying, "Well, yes, you see, we've had all the other months. If we just came out of April, you'd have a point." It made me laugh (I'm weird, I know) because I honestly can't believe it is November!

We are 41 days away from Christmas, 49 days until 2024, and 96 days until the first It's Who We Are Mantour Conference in 2024! Time is flying!

Thankfully, we celebrate Thanksgiving and the Christmas holidays between now and the start of the new Mantour Season. I admit, we already have our Christmas trees up for a week or two, and I started listening to Christmas music towards the end of October! If Anyone has an issue with this, refer to the image below next to us.



Welcome to the Board!

Before we fully enter the holidays, let me tell you what's happened since our last newsletter. Things have been busy!! One of the highlights of the previous month was our bi-annual 4One Ministries business meeting. We are happy to announce that we have added two new members to our board of directors: Pastor Tom Rees and Pastor Jason Tourville. We are thrilled to have both of these men serving for the next year on our board and helping us navigate several areas of growth within the ministry. Trust me when I say there

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are good things ahead for our ministry—both in men’s and women’s avenues. We are so grateful for a board of directors who empowers and challenges us to follow wherever God leads us.

One of the things that our board of directors challenged us with during this meeting was an almost immediate miracle. You see, for a few months before the meeting, Adessa’s laptop—the one where she does all of her writing and work on the women’s side of the ministry and does all the administrative work and bookkeeping for Mantour Ministries, was having significant problems. The battery was slowly dying, the screen was flickering, and the keys were falling off. When we took it to get repaired, they said it was “*vintage*” and could not be repaired.

Well, this was not an expense we had planned in the budget. While Adessa and I wanted to discuss where we could personally cut back to pay for the new iMac, our board of directors told us to make the need known on social media and watch God provide. We were skeptical that anything would happen, but we followed their advice. I cannot tell you how incredibly grateful we were when a pastor contacted us and said they had a gently used iMac they’d like to donate.

What an incredible blessing! We were ready to do the dance of joy!!!

Not only did this blessing relieve tremendous stress, but the computer they donated was much higher quality than what we could afford. I cannot tell you how grateful we are that God provided this need. Again, I’m thankful for our board, who advised us to share the need and walk in faith



Later that week, we headed to the Full Throttle Men’s Conference in Lutherville, MD. To help with our budget (see, I told you we are frugal with our ministry finances; you should partner with us!), we drove home two hours Friday and back down again Saturday to save money on the expensive Baltimore hotels. It was a great weekend connecting with men from all over the PennDel and Potomac Districts. I loved how excited the men are for the upcoming 2024 Mantour Conferences! We didn’t have to explain what a Mantour was. Guys were walking up to the table saying, “**WHEN is my Mantour? We’ll put it on the calendar and be there!**” That’s exciting!! Of course, we had postcards with all the dates available.



We were also encouraged by men who came to the table to share testimonies of how Mantour Ministries is affecting their lives. For instance, one gentleman told us he has been getting our Bible Reading Plan daily in his email for three years. He’s reading along and saving them all! That makes all the work of creating this plan worth it—because people use it to get into God’s Word.

Another man told us how he received copies of our books while he was in the Teen Challenge program. He shared how these books helped him while he was at the center and now as he’s graduated and walking with Jesus. It really touched my heart when he said, “*You won’t know until you get to Heaven really how many lives have been touched by the books you’ve written.*”

That’s why we do what we do. It’s also why we are so grateful to every one of our ministry partners who have committed to financial invest into this ministry every month. They make it possible for us to do what God called us to do.

I know what you are thinking. You are pumped up and excited at the thought of men being reached with the Gospel and seeing lives and families being changed. You are jumping with enthusiasm because you know that, as goes the man, so goes the family, as goes the family, so goes the church, as goes the church, so goes the community, and as goes the community, so goes the world! You are waving your arms around, dancing joyfully, and thinking, How can I be a part of what is happening at Mantour Ministries?!?



I have good news for you...there is definitely a way for you to be a part of this move of God! We need to raise our complete Assemblies of God US Missions Budget by the end of 2024, no high-way option. We need monthly partners to commit to giving every month to fund this ministry.

\$200, \$100, \$50, \$25, \$10...no amount is too small, and we appreciate every cent received. We try to be wise, faithful financial stewards. We regularly reevaluate our expenses to see how we can save and use every means possible to stretch every dollar. But we need more supporters. We MUST raise the remaining 40 percent of our budget, and it must be soon!

If God is speaking to you now, PLEASE OBEY. Make a Faith Promise at:

<https://giving.ag.org/donate/700001-281396> to give to my Missionary Associate Account.

-Click "Give Now"

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I greatly appreciate any help you can provide.

Maybe you know some friends who are looking for a ministry to invest in...please tell them about us and ask them to make a faith promise, too!

I cannot wait for the day we are fully funded. It will be a fabulous day to celebrate.

Until then, we will continue to work hard to raise this budget as we also work to reach men. We are busy preparing for the 2024 Mantours. This week, Adessa will create the advertising packets we will send to the churches in January. (She'll probably watch a Christmas movie while she does it; after all, 'tis the season.) At the same time, I'll be creating videos, writing my sermon, and doing a host of other jobs necessary to make the **"It's Who We Are"** Mantour Conferences the best we can be.

We are so grateful to have the opportunity to serve in this way. It's an honor and privilege to serve Jesus, serve people, and see God move among men.

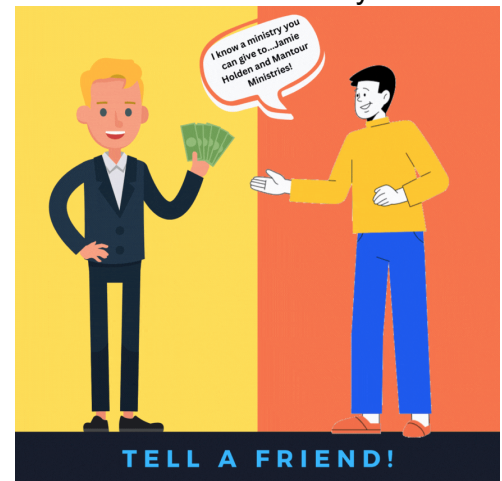
Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Reaching men together,

Jamie Holden

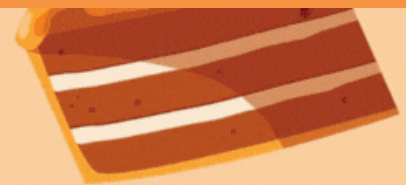
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HAPPY THANKSGIVING

We are so thankful for you and your continued attendance at Mantour Conferences!



SAVE THE DATE!

Potomac

February 17, 2024
Springfield Assembly
Springfield, WV

North East PA

March 2, 2024
Harvest Church
Trucksville, PA

South West PA

March 9, 2024
New Hope Assembly
Elizabeth, PA

Central PA

March 16, 2024
Christian Life Assembly
Camp Hill, PA

North West PA

April 13, 2024
Family Life Church
Hermitage, PA

Greater Philadelphia/ Delaware/New Jersey

April 20, 2024
Philadelphia Christian Center
Bensalem, PA

Altoona PA

April 27, 2024
New Life Worship Center
Altoona, PA

East Central PA

May 4, 2024
GT Church
West Lawn, PA

Teen Challenge

July 20, 2024
Teen Challenge Training Center
Rehrersburg, PA
(Closed event just for TC Men)

JOIN THE TEAM:

I am in need of individuals and men's ministries to partner with me as a Missionary Associate on a monthly basis. I work on Mantour Conferences and the Mantour resources full time year round, and would value your financial support. Will you prayerfully consider partnering with me and with Mantour Ministries on monthly or yearly basis? You can give online at www.giving.ag.org using Account Number 2813962 (make sure to check the box for Faith Promise), or print and return the form below using account Number 2813962.



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