



Dear Friends,

I cannot believe we are just days away from April! I have mixed feelings about April. I love it because the weather is getting warmer (my bones have had enough of the fluctuation between 30 and 60 degrees!) and because the NFL Draft is in April. But I don't enjoy the fact that in April I will be just one year away from fifty! But time stands still for no one!

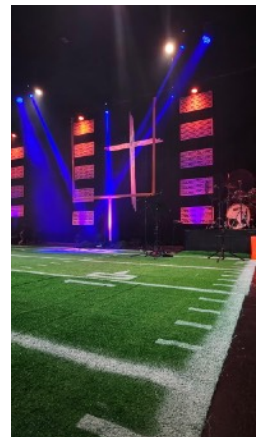
I honestly can't believe we are halfway through the Game Changers Mantours! That's right, four of the conferences are in the rear-view mirror already! Time sure flies when you're having fun!

Let me catch you up on what has happened so far!

We started off the season at Harvest Church in Trucksville, PA for the North East Pa Mantour. It was amazing. We had our largest attendance ever at this event, and the most churches participated. There was a general excitement and enthusiasm in the air, and many of the churches were very proud of how many men they brought that year.

I love working with Harvest Church. They are amazing! Each year, their enthusiasm and creativity blow my mind. It's always exciting to see what they will come up with next.

This year, they went above and beyond expectations. As you can see in the pictures, they built a football field on the stage—complete with green carpeting and goal posts. What a backdrop for our kick-off event! We are so thankful for them and their attention to detail. As always, their worship team had been busy preparing for the event for weeks, and the tech team had our backs, making the first event of the season a breeze.



Of course, what's really important is the men who attended the event. This year was our largest attendance ever for the Northeast Pa Mantour. We had men from 24 churches attend the event! They arrived with anticipation and excitement, ready to see what God had planned for the day. The atmosphere was electric.

And it was exciting to see the enthusiasm of various churches for their Men's Ministries. So many churches were excited to share that this year, they had more men sign up than ever. One pastor even asked, *"Do you remember when we had the first Northeast Pa Mantour thirteen years ago? How things have changed and grown!"* This is all thanks to the faithfulness of God and the men who faithfully come out each year and bring more and more men with them. Back then, seeing men this excited to attend an event was just a dream—I love seeing how God is growing His men and Men's Ministry!

But back to the event...



The morning kicked off with our main session speaker, Tony Cruz, who spoke about *"Gridiron Grit: Making Their Negative Words Your War Cry."* Tony shared how to turn these enemies into weapons that bring us victory. He spoke about Grit and Grace. Tony brought a powerful message. Afterward, the altar was filled with men who responded. It was a beautiful sight where lives were changed.

Afterward, we were blessed to have Pastor Dave Twiss join us to share about the need to *"Stop Making Excuses and Pick Up the Ball."* One of the things that really stood out to me about this session was when Pastor Dave emphasized that one of the excuses we need to abandon is *"We've always done it this way."* He challenged the men that we can't get stuck in this rut, but we need a fresh anointing of God each day, and we will need to follow where the Holy Spirit is leading now. This is just one point of a very practical teaching from a very wise man of God.



But we weren't done yet—in our final session, we were blessed to have Jason Tourville share about creating a lasting legacy. Fun fact: I didn't realize it until we were all there talking, but for the past three years, Tony and Jason have spoken at the same Mantour Conferences. Tony always leads, and Jason wraps it up. They've been to Greater Philadelphia, Central Pa, and now Northeast PA! Where should they go next year? LOL.

As he always does, Jason did an amazing job wrapping up the final session. He talked about how to build a legacy, you first have to build yourself. Essentially, you need to become the man you want someone to follow. It was a poignant and practical message that taught us all how to become godly men so that we can teach others to follow in our footsteps. As always, the session wrapped up with Jason calling the men to



the altar to commit to being Game-Changing men for God.

Once again, it was a beautiful sight—men around the altar seeking God. That is the whole ballgame—seeing men’s lives changed. It’s why I get up in the morning and do what I do. I absolutely love it!

The next weekend, we made the long drive to the other side of the state for the South West PA Mantour at New Stanton Assembly of God Church. As soon as we arrived, it was clear that we were in Steeler country!! As always, Pastor Ron and his team did an amazing job hosting the event—starting with the stage set-up.



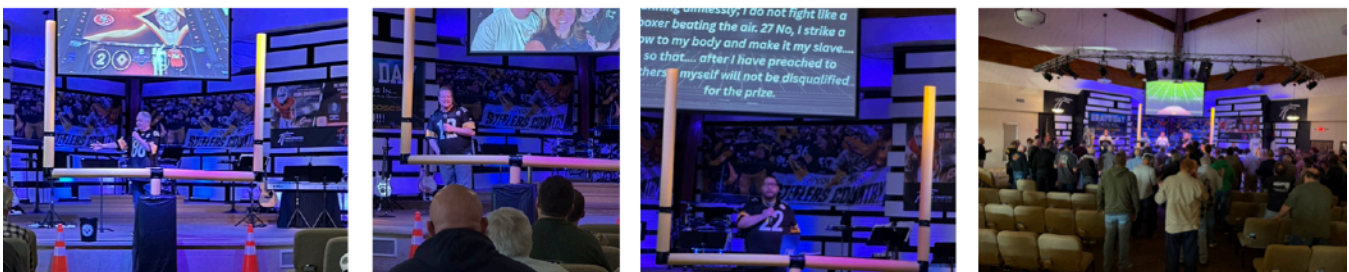
Leading into the Mantour, Pastor Ron did a sermon series on the theme of “*Game Changers*”. They built goalposts on the stage and placed stand-up figures of popular Steelers players everywhere. The pastor said the guys were so excited they wanted to do more, but he said, “*It’s only one day.*” Believe it or not, they had a wedding and a funeral at the church with this stage. They took

down the goal posts for the wedding, but the family said they could leave everything up for the funeral because the gentleman who passed away was a Steelers fan.

Of course, it wasn’t just the stage that made this a great event. The men who attended were so enthusiastic to be there. We had men from over 20 churches at the event.

The speakers were phenomenal. Starting off, we had a true Steelers fan, Jeff Marshall, who spoke about “*Making Their Words Your War Cry.*” Jeff always does a great job sharing his heart with the men, and he had a great response to his altar call.

Jeff was followed by Pastor Kurt Jenkins, who shared a heartfelt inspirational message and gathered the men around the altar. The morning wrapped up with Pastor Josh Koss, who challenged the men to create a lasting legacy. This was Pastor Josh’s first time as a Mantour speaker, and he hit it out of the park. We can’t wait to have him back again.



Overall, the Southwest Mantour was as phenomenal as the weather outside the event. (For those of you who were stuck on the other side of the state, it was a perfect 75 degrees and sunny the whole time we were there.) It was great to see so many men responding to the altars and committing to being Game-changing men of God.

The very next weekend, we found ourselves back on the other side of the state for the Central PA Mantour. While the warmer weather in the southern part of the state was certainly enjoyable, there's something special about sleeping in your own bed!

We were especially excited to host this Mantour at our home church, Christian Life Assembly in Camp Hill, PA. Once again, they did an outstanding job welcoming and serving the men from 22 different churches who attended.

This event is always a highlight for us because over the years, so many attendees have become dear friends, and it's a joy to reconnect each time. This year was particularly meaningful for Adessa, who had the opportunity to see one of her childhood Sunday School teachers, as well as someone we both attended Christian school with for almost all 12 years. Moments like these remind us that Mantour is not just about events—it's about the people.



Here's a testimony from one of the men who has attended Mantours for years: *"So, I bought 4 tickets. I knew I was going, but I wasn't sure why or who else would be there, so the Lord pressed me to buy 3 more tickets. My neighbor across the way found Jesus this year. So I'm taking him, his dad, and his son."*

How awesome is that!!! We are excited to be a part of this new believer's faith journey!

One of the people who made this event special was Pastor Don, who delivered a powerful and timely message on overcoming the words spoken over you, challenging and encouraging men to walk in truth and freedom.

Our second session speaker, Aaron McNatt, was very well received. We heard a great deal of positive feedback about how much the men connected with and appreciated his message.

And as always, Eric Goldsborough truly hit it out of the park. His sermon resonated deeply, and we received overwhelmingly positive responses from those in attendance.

One of the most encouraging highlights came from the men of Baltimore Teen Challenge. Their engagement was remarkable—so much so that when Eric spoke, he pointed out that the section where they were sitting was full of energy. This is especially meaningful, as groups from Teen Challenge can sometimes be more reserved. This group, however, fully embraced the experience and clearly loved the conference. Thanks to the generosity of those who gave to the Mantour Challenge, each man from Baltimore Teen Challenge went home with a copy of this year's book and Bible plan. Thanks for helping us bless them!

Another touching moment was shared by Jamie, who noticed a young boy—around five years old—responding to every altar call... even one his own father did not respond to. It was a powerful reminder that God is moving in every generation, regardless of age.



This brings us to last weekend and the Greater Philadelphia/NJ/Delaware Mantour at Philadelphia Christian Center in Bensalem. As always, Philadelphia Christian Center did a phenomenal job hosting. From the food to the volunteers to the jerseys hanging from the lobby ceiling, this church made everyone who attended feel welcome and excited.

One cool thing about this Mantour is that we had two of the board members as speakers—Tom Rees and Scott Carver—and both did an amazing job. Tom challenged the men to leave their negative words behind and instead believe what God said about them. He had the men break into “huddles” for each “quarter” and interact and pray together.

We also had TJ Harris from Trinity Church do the second session. He did a great job on the topic “*Stop Making Excuses and Pick Up the Ball,*” using personal examples from his high school football days. He led a unique altar call in which he had men come forward, “*touch the sword*” as an example, and then spend time alone with God at the altar.

Scott Carver spoke about how David prepared Solomon to succeed in building the Temple, and how we need to build up the next generation to succeed. He ended by having the men form groups and pray together.

One of the most exciting aspects of this event was the number of younger men in attendance. While we truly value ministering to our more “*mature*” men (and yes, “*mature*” feels more appropriate as I approach 49 next month!), It is incredibly encouraging to see how God is raising up the next generation.



They are the future of Men’s Ministry, and when younger and older generations come together, there is a unique strength that magnifies the impact.

Now we are at halftime. At the Mantour's this year, we have been doing our Mantour Challenge offering a little differently. We have had three offering buckets, one for Steelers Fans, one for Eagles Fans, and one for every other team. It has been fun to add some competition to the giving as men donate to reach hurting men in prisons, Teen Challenge Centers, homeless shelters, and halfway houses. Let me share the halftime report on the competition with you.

As you can see, the Steelers are in the lead with a whopping \$1,673 donated to the Mantour Challenge. Next is the Broncos (or every other team) with \$1,133, and the Eagles are in last place with \$1,055.

If you want to give to help boost one side or the other as well as help tech the hurting men, you can give at WWW.MANTOURMINISTRIES.COM/MANTOURCHALLENGE. (Designate which team) Thanks to all who have donated and helped us purchase books for men in prisons, halfway houses, and Teen Challenge Centers! You are making a difference!



Speaking of impact, here's a testimony I can't wait to share with you. Those of you who were partners last year may remember that last year's Mantour theme was "*Unbreakable*". After the Greater Philadelphia Mantour, a gentleman who was obviously physically ill and wearing a mask came to Joey and me and shared that he had stage 4 cancer. Before the conference, he was so discouraged that he just wanted to give up and die. However, after hearing everyone speak about being Unbreakable, he had the courage to keep going and keep fighting.

This year he was back—— cancer-free!!! Thank God he kept going.

This is why we do Mantour Conferences—to see men encouraged and inspired, and to help them grow in their faith. It isn't just a one-day event; it's a time where men set aside time to meet with God, and He meets with them and changes their lives.

This is just one testimony of the impact that our monthly financial supporters are producing. As we say each month (because we mean it), we can't do what we do without our support partners. We are so grateful and honored that they continue to partner with us so that we can hold these conferences, write books, and reach people for Jesus.

If you're not a monthly partner, WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?? You are missing out on an amazing opportunity to invest in a ministry that is making a difference. I am not going to do the whole thing where I promise you health, wealth, and a long shelf-life (had to think of a rhyming

word) because you give to us. All I know is that in my life, God has been faithful when I have been a faithful giver.

I believe this is a ministry worth investing in. Men are under attack in today's society, and this ministry exists to reach men and remind them they matter—whether they're in the church or outside of it. God has a plan for every man, and we want to come alongside men to help them walk in their calling and become everything God created them to be. We want to see men's ministries grow and thrive in the local church.

Mantour Ministries is more than just conferences. We are a 365-day-a-year ministry that works tirelessly to produce resources, help develop men's ministries, and reach men in every walk of life. We work tirelessly to accomplish this goal. God has grown this ministry more than we ever imagined, and we need to grow our support to keep up with its growth.

Join the team today. Please set up your recurring giving at <https://www.mantourministries.com/partner> and help us reach even more people.

We also value your prayer support. Please pray for:

1. The remaining three Mantour conferences. Pray for growth at each event so more men can experience a move of God in their lives.
2. Please pray for physical health and strength. It takes everything I have to do what God has called me to do, pray for endurance, strength, energy, and for a healing.
3. Increased Monthly Support: God has blessed this ministry with tremendous growth, and we're seeking additional support to keep pace with what He's doing. This must happen, pray for people's hearts to be open to increasing their gift if they are current supporters and for more new monthly supporters.

We are also praying for and seeking a one-time \$10,000 gift: We are believing God for a one-time donation of \$10,000 to help cover upcoming ministry expenses, special projects, and new opportunities for growth in the year ahead. Please join us in praying for this miracle provision!

We covet your prayers so much! Know that Adessa and I will be praying for you, and we trust that you will keep us in your prayers as we head back out to the second half of the tour after Easter!

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Last year, over 1,000 men have seen the life-changing impact of our Mantour Conferences. Each year we are excited to have men from over 200 churches, 100+ men's groups, and thousands of men's groups for 2024 and beyond.
In July, we host a 3-day Men's Conference at the Challenge Conference Center.

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If you haven't registered yet, there's still time to sign up for the North Central PA Mantour, the North West PA Mantour, or the East Central PA Mantour. We'd love to see you there!

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In the meantime, have a Happy Easter!

Sincerely,

Jamie and Adessa Holden

