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Dear Friends,

I cannot believe October is halfway over! Next week is the PennDel/Potomac Men’s Conference already, and then it will be time to put up the Christmas tree! (Don’t be a hater; it’s a lot of work, so you might as well enjoy it as long as you can!)

2023 has flown by for sure! But to be honest with you, I have been living in 2024 land for a few months now as we plan the 2024 Mantour Conferences. Whenever I have to write the date on anything non-Mantour, I keep writing 2024 because I am so used to putting it in all the promo materials, which are all created and will be added to the website soon!

I am so excited for the new year of Mantours! We have 8 Mantours planned, plus the Teen Challenge Mantour! We also have three new host churches this year and are doing our first Southwest PA Mantour since 2017! Here are all the dates and locations for the 2024 Mantour Conferences:

- February 17, 2024, Springfield WV, Springfield Assembly
- March 2, 2024, Trucksville, PA, Harvest Church
- March 9, 2024, Elizabeth, PA, New Hope Elizabeth
- March 16, 2024, Camp Hill, PA, Christian Life Assembly
- April 13, 2024, Hermitage, PA, Family Life Church
- April 20, 2024, Bensalem, PA, Philadelphia Christian Center
- April 27, 2024, Altoona, PA, New Life Worship Center
- May 4, 2024, West Lawn, PA, GT Church

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We have another great season of Mantours planned for this year. After a lot of prayer and eliminating two other themes that I really like, the Holy Spirit showed me the theme He wanted. I'm happy to announce our 2024 theme: *"It's Who We Are"*.

I think it is vital in today's world for men to truly understand their identity, especially their identity in Christ. We live in a world desperately trying to redefine everything, especially manhood and men, predominantly Christian men. They are trying to get you to think differently, act differently, and cover in the corner. They honestly see little use for men.



We live in a society that demonizes men and blames them for everything wrong in the world. Masculinity is called *"toxic"*. The woke agenda wants to destroy all institutions built on male patriarchy. In today's world, men are the enemy.

Daily society is bombarded by a micro-minority trying to make their way of life seem normal, superior, and desirable. They are trying to change the identity of a man—especially a man of God.

That is why now, more than ever, we need to know our identity. We need to know who we are in Christ.

This year's conferences will focus on three different topics.

- Session One will focus on who we are as God's sons.
- Session Two will focus on what we do, examining the actions and behaviors of man of God.
- Session Three will focus on why we do it and the real reason we are part of God's kingdom.

Spoiler alert: It isn't about us; it's about helping others find the same freedom in Christ!

We have a fantastic lineup of speakers this year. I am excited about what God will do in His sons' lives during the It's Who We Are Mantour Conferences!

To go along with the theme, we also created our new resource for 2024, a book also titled *"It's Who We Are."* I LOVE how this book turned out! This is what we put on the back cover:

### *Our Identities Are Under Attack!*

*Today, like never before, the world is trying to change our identity. As men of God, we need to know who we are in Christ, and our identity must come from this knowledge.*

*Knowing our identity in Christ gives us the strength to stand against the attacks and influences constantly bombarding us.*

*Do you want to be a mighty man of God who refuses to bend, bow, or blend? This is our calling. It's Who We Are!*



Check out these chapter titles!

- Who Are You?
- Created, Not Evolved
- Heirs, Not Slaves
- Warriors, Not Wimps
- Leaders, Not Rulers
- Pure, Not Polluted
- Followers, Not Fans
- Victors, Not Victims
- Doers, Not Hearers
- Coaches, Not Competitors
- Influencers, Not Influenced
- It's What We Do

As always, the book includes a workbook and group study questions that you can use personally or in a men's small group with other guys.

Now, in my best Billy Mays impersonation, *"But wait, there's more!"*

We have once again created a Daily Bible Reading Plan for 2024 titled *"It's What We Do Daily Bible Plan."* This plan has six days of Bible reading and a devotional every week. It is available as a free daily email, or you can purchase a softcover print edition.

Each of the 52 weekly devotionals focuses on actions that should be a part of every man of God's life. These actions are the result of our faith. They are the things we need to adopt in our daily life that demonstrates God living and working in us. As it says on the back cover of the paperback version, *"Talk's cheap. Actions show who you are."*

Both of these books will be life-changing resources for all men. They will reach the men at our conferences, as well as men in state and federal prisons, Teen Challenge Centers, homeless shelters, drug rehab centers, and halfway houses via our yearly Mantour Challenge.

Speaking of Teen Challenge, we have once again scheduled our yearly Teen Challenge Mantour for 2024. On July 20, 2024, we will hold a closed conference for the men at Teen Challenge in Rehrersburg. They will get the same conference we take everywhere else, and each man will receive a copy of It's Who We Are and the It's What We Do Daily Bible Plan for free.

People always ask me, *"Jamie, how do you write a new book and a new Bible Plan every year?"* Usually, I make the joke that it gets harder each year. But the truth is I can do it because of my amazing monthly financial partners. Their monthly giving allows me to focus full-time on the ministry.



It's true. Our monthly financial partners are how Adessa and I receive a salary. Without it, we would be unable to do what we are doing. Because of them, we can focus our lives on reaching men and women with the Gospel and helping them find freedom in Christ.

We love our partners, and we would love to love you too! We need more financial partners to invest in this ministry! We need them NOW!

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.

Last month, I told you we had raised 42% of our budget via faith Promises. I am happy to say we are now at 50% of our budget with Faith Promises! But we still need to raise the remaining 50% ASAP! 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

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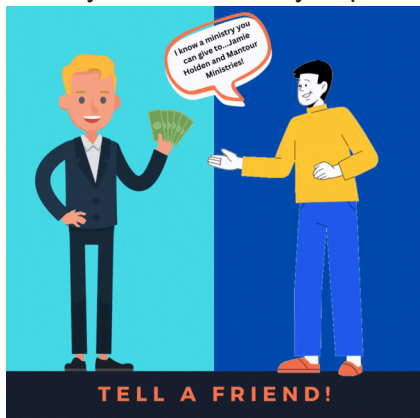
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I really appreciate any help you can provide.

### 2. If you are a current supporter, please also make a Faith Promise.

This is so easy to do...all you need to do is go to <https://usmissions.ag.org/FaithPromise> and fill out this info requested. My Account number is 2813962. It is 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!

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 we 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 am so excited to see God move financially on our behalf and for us to become 100% FULLY FUNDED! This will free up even more time to reach men and see more lives changed! It will also allow us to keep the cost of the conferences low and not have to raise the cost in a world where the price of everything is increasing exponentially.

I am pumped for what God is going to do in 2024! Our theme is set, our dates and locations are booked, and our speakers are confirmed. Books are printed, and the Bible Plan is ready to go! I need to do a TON of video work and promo material design for the conferences, so the rest of October and November are looking to be busy. But hey, we are always busy, so it's all good!

Oh, one final thing...I am currently booking speaking spots for June-November of 2024, and I'd love to share at your church, men's retreat, or men's conference. If you'd like to schedule me to come share, visit <https://www.mantourministries.com/invitejamie>. I'd love to add you to my 2024 schedule.

If you will be attending the PennDel Potomac Full Throttle Men's Conference, stop by our table and say hello! It is going to be a great weekend!

Have a great rest of October. I'll be sending a new newsletter before Thanksgiving to let you know what is happening between now and then! Have a great fall and of course...GO BRONCOS!



Reaching men together,

Jamie Holden

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Location	Date	Venue
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
Altoona PA	April 27, 2024	New Life Worship Center, Altoona, PA
Greater Philadelphia Delaware	April 20, 2024	Philadelphia Christian Center, Bensalem, PA
East Central PA	May 4, 2024	GT Church, West Lawn, PA

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YOU MUST KNOW YOUR IDENTITY IN CHRIST

# IT'S WHAT WE DO



DAILY BIBLE PLAN

# 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](http://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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