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The OVERFLOW

2020 In Review !

So much has happened in the past 12 months. So many people have been touched and lives have been changed. Our activities have included Funerals, Weddings, Live Music Concerts and Church Services PLUS our weekly RENEWAL Recovery meeting.

A Typical Day in the Ministry

2021 is definitely off to a great start. You could refer to many of our "typical" days as "crazy" days.

One day in early January Pastor Butch helped to rescue a woman on heroin who was not doing well. She ended up in jail which probably saved her life. After getting the mail, I helped a woman make arrangements for an apartment. Then I took a hungry man to the Salvation Army and the New Life feeding program as he had no food to eat.

Then I got a call from a motel for help saying that a man was having a nervous breakdown and could I come and help him. I visited with the man and brought Brother Butch in to meet him as well. We prayed with him and offered him some resources.

Next I got a call from Randy Stonehill who wanted to do a concert at The Overflowing Cup on Sunday night January 28, 2018 at 7 pm. Next I got a call from a funeral home to see if I could meet with a family and do a funeral for their son who committed suicide

that week. Afterwards I was asked to take a lonely woman to eat. My wife and I had dinner with this woman and didn't get home until 9 p.m. Before we could get out of the car, I got a call from the hospital asking if I could come in and give last rites to a 90 year old man who was dying. I was privileged to pray with him and his family.

When we finally got home from the hospital, there was a full grown Fox two feet from our door. The fox was hungry and looking for food. He stared at us but I wasn't able to get his picture because he took off. Then finally, I got to do a little work on our coffeehouse concert calendar before going to bed. Thank you God for another day.

There are SO many needs. In addition to crazy days like you just read about, there are more and more people calling Pastor Butch for help with their addictions. The community is learning that Pastor Butch runs a very effective Recovery program on Wednesday nights. Butch has put more than 50 people into treatment in the past year. Unfortunately, both Butch and myself have conducted a number of funerals in 2017 for young people who have overdosed on heroin.

Mental Health Issues

The Overflowing Cup seeks to be God's hand extended to the oppressed in our society. In doing so, we meet people with all kinds of needs. Some of the people that we work with are suffering from Mental Illness.

Every year, about 42.5 million American adults (or 18.2 percent of the **total adult population** in the United States) suffers from some mental illness, enduring conditions such as PTSD, depression, bipolar disorder or schizophrenia. (These statistics were released by NEWSWEEK in February of 2014.) I am concerned that the numbers are increasing each year. We have found that many of those diagnosed with mental illness also have substance abuse problems.

Not everyone with mental health issues struggle with addictions. Some truly have a chemical imbalance and for some it is genetic. Others have been traumatized in the past by sexual, physical or emotional abuse and need a healing. Still others have a spiritual problem and need deliverance from demons and/or demonic oppression.

We have seen God's Word work mightily in people's lives through prayer. However, we have also lost some people when they have gone off of their medications. So please pray for us as we advocate and intervene in the lives of the people we serve. Thank you so much for your prayer support and your financial support. And if you wish to become personally involved in this ministry, please contact us as we can always use more help.

Pray for those suffering with Mental Health Issues

We published this story in our previous news letter but are repeating it to draw attention to the needs of those suffering with Mental Health Issues. In January of 2016 our Associate Pastor, Jimmy Strong, was driving in the township and saw a man walking in his pajamas and tennis shoes with no warm coat or gloves. It was below freezing outside. Jimmy offered the man a ride and brought him to the Cup. He had walked away from his car on I-90 after it had slipped in the snow into a ditch. When the tow truck came, he took off walking and walked 15 to 20 miles before we found him.

Butch, Jim and I fed him, got him warm clothing and ministered to him. We prayed for him and

he accepted Jesus as his personal Savior. The man had a mental health diagnosis and had been off of his medication for about 3 months.

Later Pastor Butch took him to the Rockford Rescue Mission, but he walked away from there. He made it to a Rockford hospital but did not stay. He ended up in Chicago at the Pacific Garden Mission, where they took him to a Chicago hospital. He later left that hospital and walked over 30 miles to his suburban apartment. Unfortunately, his father found him on the floor days later, and discovered that his son had passed away, apparently from pneumonia. Please pray for this grieving Father and Mother who loved their only son very much.

What Is The Answer?

The fact remains that "Jesus Is The Answer for the world today." He is truly more than just an answer and more than just an option. He is a God of Love and His message of love, acceptance, and forgiveness truly sets people free.

God has a plan for you my friend. Jeremiah 29:11 says: "**For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.'**"

I believe that in order to experience God's plan and His best for us, we must truly put Him first in every area of our lives. Even when we seek Him first and follow Him to the best of our ability, we still may face many trials and difficulties in this life. But I encourage you to "**Keep On Keeping On**" and **never give up**. He has promised never to leave us or to forsake us. And you can TRUST in God's promises.

We are ALL Ministers

Whether you are a Priest, Pastor, Evangelist, Teacher, Deacon, Elder or a "Lay Person" the Bible says that you ARE a Minister. (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

We are called "Ministers of Reconciliation" and I believe that term has a two-fold meaning. First, I believe that we are called to "reconcile" the world to God through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Secondly, I believe that God wants to use us to “reconcile” people to one another.

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2 Corinthians 5:17-21 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁷ Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

¹⁸ And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

¹⁹ To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

²⁰ Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

²¹ For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

What We Do “As Unto The Lord”

In addition to the youth of our community, we work with alcoholics, drug addicts, homeless people, the mentally ill and people in crisis. We take MANY phone calls daily. It seems that when all else fails people are told to call The Overflowing Cup. That is alright, we generally see those calls as “divine appointments.” Whenever we meet someone at a gas station to bless them with \$10 worth of gas, we never miss the opportunity to share the love of Jesus and to pray with them. When we help homeless to find shelter or the addict to find detox and/or long-term treatment, we tell them about Jesus and how He loves them and has a better plan for their life. Sometimes we only plant seeds and may not see the results of our actions. And other times, we are able to lead them into a “personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.” But either way, we do it “as unto the Lord.”

Friday YOUTH Night Resumes

The Friday Youth nights will resume on February 16th 2018. We plan to have youth oriented bands periodically do concerts along with our Open Mic nights. Adam and Kathy Jo Taylor are the Directors of Frontline Youth Initiative and will provide oversight. However, our latest staff members, Chris Bell and Chandra Cole, will be actively involved in the outreach. Our attendance was averaging about 100 young people under the age of 26 for the Open Mic nights. However, in December of 2016, we had to suspend our Friday night activities until further notice, because Kathy Jo was diagnosed with Lymphoma Cancer. Praise the Lord she has had a regiment of six Chemo treatments and is officially in remission. So please include Kathy Jo in your prayers. Thank You.

You Can Have a Part

If you believe in prayer, please pray for The Overflowing Cup Total Life Center and our staff of volunteers and ministers. Also, your financial support is not just appreciated, it is those gifts that are sent from our supporters that keep our doors open so that we can continue.

We continued to help MANY people in 2019 including:

- Disbursed many gas/food cards
- Emergency food and meds for people
- Given rides to pantries, treatment, job & MD appointments.
- Referred many to treatment, homeless shelters, abuse shelters & limited overnight housing.
- Wednesday night RENEWAL RECOVERY Meetings, led by Pastor Larry Stultz, continue to grow.
- **Prayer & Support to those in need/crisis, as every day we have opportunity to share the hope that is within us thru CHRIST JESUS.**

Ministry Needs?

- Monthly financial & prayer support
- More Volunteers to assist
- Grocery, fast food, & gas cards
- Building/warehouse for storage of donations for distribution center
- Box truck for donation pick up, delivery & assist people to move.

Thank you to the faithful donors and volunteers who support us with their gifts.

How can I help - what can I do?

We all have much to be thankful for and we want to THANK each of you who pray for our ministry and believe in what we do. We also want to express thanks for those who support us financially. Even though God is faithful to keep our doors open, **it would be so much easier if more could catch the vision and be part of our support team.**

All gifts are welcome and appreciated, and no gift is too small. Tax-deductible gifts can either be sent to the post office box: 1075 – Beloit, WI. 53512 or given online via PayPal. **The PayPal link is safe** and secure and can be found on our web site: <http://www.overflowingcup.org/donate.php>

Special Thanks to all who made our Annual Thanksgiving Meal a success. We served nearly 250 people again this year including veterans, homeless, families and children, elderly, those alone without family, shut-ins and volunteers. **Some of the sponsors** who contributed were Masonic Lodge, Pizza Ranch, Neli's, Sophia's and Beloit College.

The Overflowing Cup opened on April 19, 1974 as a Christian Coffeehouse Ministry. We are truly an “Inter-

denominational Street Ministry” ministering to Youth, the Homeless, the Un-Churched, the outcasts, those addicted to drugs, alcohol and those dealing with other life controlling issues.

**Thank you for
Helping Us To Help Others!**



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In His Service,
Dave Fogderud, Founding Pastor and Staff

*My wife Diana and all of our Volunteer Staff
offer their prayers and blessings*

Weekly Schedule includes:

Wednesday night at 7:00 pm –
RENEWAL RECOVERY Night

Thursday night at 7:00 pm –
Kingdom Living teaching by Rick Hobson

Friday night at 7:00 pm –
Growth Group night led by Virginia Zinke

Saturday night at 7:00 pm –
Coffeehouse Concerts (Live Music)

Sunday night at 7:00 pm –
WORSHIP Service w/Music & Word

Monday night at 7:00 pm –
College & Career Group with Collin Wise
First Tuesday night of the month) at 7:00 pm –
Spirit Wind Gathering with Dave Lawrence

- **Saturdays from 10 am to 1 pm -** Cup of Charis led by Pam Pearson . Teaching by Andrew Womach & Lunch

24 Hour phone: 608-365-0365.

Weekly Schedule includes:

Wednesday night from 7 to 9:00 pm –

RECOVERY Night led by Pastor Larry Stultz. Appropriate for ALL life-controlling issues - Alcoholism, Drug Addiction ETC.

Friday night from 7 to 9:00 pm –

Frontline Youth Initiative Open Mic night led by Chris Bell and Chandra Cole along with Adam and Kathy Jo Taylor

Saturday night at 7:00 pm –

Coffeehouse Concerts (Live Music)

Sunday night at 7:00 pm –

Ministry of the Word with Pastor Dave and Diana Fogderud, Pastor Butch Martin, plus other speakers. The service includes Praise and Worship and Prayer.

"LET'S TALK" Television Show on Beloit Cable Access Ch 992

LET'S TALK airs Wednesday @ 6 pm and Sunday @ 6 pm.

Our 24-hour information line is (608) 365-0365.

"What the World Needs is Jesus!"

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