

Pastor's Notes (1) "Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, Whose glorious beauty is a fading flower

Which is at the head of the verdant valleys, To those who are overcome with wine! (Isaiah 28:1)

Remember now, that Israel has been split into two nations, with Ephraim being the largest and strongest of the northern ten tribes. When God spoke to them He often called them "Ephraim", another name for the northern nation of Israel. God was directly speaking to them about "The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim". You see, there was such a big problem with "drunkenness", that God had to address it to them! "Wine is a mocker, Strong drink is a brawler, And whoever is led astray by it is not wise." (Proverbs 20:1) Drunkenness has always been a problem with the people of God, and He has given us instructions in His Word regarding alcohol: "And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit." (Ephesians 5:18) From the Old Testament to the New Testament, this problem has plagued the people of God, and we have been instructed to abstain from "Drunkenness" by the Lord Himself! 1 Peter 1:8 says, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour."



God Bless! Pastor Gerry Brown

TESTIMONY FOR JESUS (Ú)

I was born and raised in Los Angeles, CA. When I was 5 years old my parents divorced, and my mother began a life of abusing alcohol and drugs. My father had a massive stroke, and that's when my grandmother took us in to live with her. I was introduced to drugs in high school, and by the age of 17 I had become a coke addict. In fact, I met my son's father in a bathroom at a party while doing drugs, and he actually became my supplier. One year into our relationship I stopped using drugs and gave birth to my son, nonetheless my life was in shambles and I was still in a very abusive relationship. That all ended when one day my son's father beat me so badly he left me in a coma. After three days I woke up, and the only person standing there in my hospital room was my mother. She had gotten clean and sober, and had begun attending church. I wanted what she had, but I couldn't trust her. For the next six years I drank and partied.



In 1998 I got married and moved to an apartment complex full of Christians. I met this neighbor who invited us to church. It was the start of my new beginning, I had never felt more alive than I did during that time. I gave birth to my daughter and helped raise my stepson. 10 years later my marriage fell apart, and I started pulling away from the church. In 2010 I met Carlos, and four years later we got married. I began drinking again. I could hear the Lord speaking to me, and finally one day I put the glass down and prayed. It was not that easy for Carlos, but by the grace of God, in 2018 He led us to U-Turn for Christ. Not only did it help my husband get through his addiction, it helped me to really understand why I had to go through all those hard times in my life to get me where I am today. I am so blessed that Carlos and I can now fellowship with the men and women at the Ranch and to share our journey with them. I know it helps to give them hope, and it allows us to continue to give thanks and praise for all God has done, thanking him for restoring our marriage and bringing our family back together. God is so good and He is so faithful. - Yvone

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THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving Day at the Ranch was a great time filled with reminders to be grateful for everything the Lord has done, especially this last year. As we adjust to uncertain times and ongoing challenges, we are reminded to "give Thanks to the Lord, for He is Good!" We would like to say thank you to all those who came out and made this day so special.



YOU'RE INVITED (1)



Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of Christ. God gave His only Son to take the punishment for our sins. He paid the price in full, and we are FREE. It's what makes this time of year so wonderful, and on behalf of U-Turn For Christ we wish you and yours a very, Merry Christmas. We also would like to formally invite you to join us for Christmas Eve Service, which will be held on December 24th at 7 pm at Calvary Chapel Romoland. We would also like to take this time to thank everyone for their support throughout the year. It is truly the mercy of our Lord demonstrated through your generosity that our doors are able to stay open. We feel so honored to work with you in ministering to men and women who need Jesus. We hope you will join us at Calvary Chapel Romoland and look forward to what God will do in 2022.

MOVING FORWARD

Opportunities to help us keep the ministry in motion...

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- We are in constant need of hygiene products, toothpaste, soap, and toilet paper.
- Shovels, rakes, tables, chairs, etc.
- Video cameras, cameras, audio equip.
- We are in need of new vehicles to transport the men and women.



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