



**U-TURN
FOR CHRIST**

LIVES CHANGED
FAMILIES RESTORED
COMMUNITIES STRENGTHENED

EDITION

**June
2025**

“And when Saul had come to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples; but they were all afraid of him, and did not believe that he was a disciple.” - Acts 9:26

PASTOR’S NOTES

Saul was infamous for persecuting Christians, overseeing the imprisonment of many, and being involved in the martyrdom of individuals such as Stephen.

After the killing of Stephen, Acts 7:58 tells us, *“And they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their clothes at the feet of a young man named Saul.”*

The disciples had valid reasons to fear Saul. It was understandable that the other apostles were cautious about accepting him among them, considering his recent involvement in Stephen's death. Sometimes individuals must demonstrate a change after leading sinful lives before earning trust. This was the case for the apostles who accepted Saul into their midst.

Being skeptical is one thing, but being closed-minded is another. The apostles learned a profound lesson that God has the power to save anyone, regardless of the depth of sin they have been entangled in.

As we reflect on this passage, let's remember that transformation is possible for everyone. Just as God changed Saul's heart, He can do the same for anyone, regardless of one's past. Let's remain open to God's work in others and trust His power to redeem and restore, welcoming those who seek Him and believing in their potential for change!



Pastor Gerry Brown

TESTIMONY FOR JESUS

Two and a half years ago my life was falling apart. I was trapped in addiction pursuing money, status, and relationships that ultimately could not support me. Everything I had built collapsed, leaving me to face the consequences of my choices. I felt empty and alone.

A family member brought me to the ranch of U-Turn for Christ. There, I found an environment free from distractions, surrounded only by scripture and people who had a heart for ministry, guided by the Holy Spirit. I entered with nothing to lose and stayed because I encountered God in that place. Daily Bible studies both morning and evening, provided me with truths to counter the lies I had believed. Working during the day taught me the value of perseverance and how to be an effective member of a body of believers. As I surrendered to Him, God began to change my heart. Step by step, He revealed that true freedom comes from following Him, not from escaping my struggles.

Today, my life looks different. God is helping to rebuild my family relationships. I have served as an usher at church and currently overseeing the Second Phase men's home, I also play electric guitar on the worship team—all for His glory. Each morning, I wake up with a sense of peace and purpose. I know I belong to Jesus, and He is guiding my future. I look forward to what He has planned next. My goals are now simple: to grow in faith and to be a good servant of the Lord.



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None of this seemed possible before, but God makes the impossible possible. ***Philippians 4***

20TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

“And He said to them, ‘Go into the world and preach the gospel to every creature.’” Mark 16:15

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all golfers, sponsors, volunteers, and staff who participated in U-Turn For Christ’s 20th Annual Missions Golf Tournament. Your support is invaluable to our mission.

For those interested in becoming involved in next year’s event, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at **951-943-7097**. Additionally, if you wish to contribute to our efforts in spreading the message of Jesus, you can make a donation by visiting <https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/uturnforchrist> and designating it for the “mission field,” or by sending a donation to: **20170 Patterson Ave, Perris, CA 92570**.

Thank you once again for your generous support, we look forward to your continued partnership in our mission.



BAPTISM

What an unforgettable day we had in May, when right after service we celebrated our first baptism of the year! Men and women from the U-Turn For Christ Perris facility took a huge leap and boldly shared their faith with the world. The atmosphere was electric as we witnessed their powerful declarations of devotion to God through water baptism. It was a thrilling experience and a true honor for everyone in attendance to celebrate this monumental moment alongside them!



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

- Our greatest need is prayer warriors. Men and women who dilligently lift this ministry to the Lord.
- We are in constant need of hygiene products, tooth-paste, soap and toilet paper.
- Video cameras, carmeras, audio equip.
- Donated vehicles need.
- We are in need of new and used vehicles to transport the men and women.

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