



**U-TURN
FOR CHRIST**

LIVES CHANGED
FAMILIES RESTORED
COMMUNITIES STRENGTHENED

EDITION

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PASTOR'S NOTES

“But the angel answered and said to the women, ‘Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you.’ So they went out quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word.”
– Matthew 28:5-8

Upon reaching the tomb, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, found that Jesus had fulfilled His promise by rising on the third day. This moment marked the most significant event in human history as He completed the ultimate prophecy of the Messiah’s earthly journey.

There is an incredible blessing in knowing that our Messiah has victory over sin and death. With this knowledge, we can be confident that we too, under the power of God the Holy Spirit, can triumph over the grip of sin and the grave.

First Corinthians 15:55-58 tells us, “O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?” The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.”

Today, stand firm and wholeheartedly dedicate yourself to the Lord’s work, knowing your efforts are never in vain.



Pastor Gerry Brown

TESTIMONY FOR JESUS



BRANDON

was difficult, and I was often suspended or sent home for acting out. As I got older, I began to find direction through work. I moved through different roles serving people with significant needs— working in care settings, moving into management, and eventually into teaching. My life was built around serving others and from the outside, it looked like I was doing good things.

But the truth is, I didn’t know the Lord. I believed that because I helped people during the day, I could excuse the poor choices I was making in my personal life. Pride, addiction, and selfishness slowly took control. Drinking eventually led to drugs, and my life began to spiral. I tried to hold everything together through work and responsibility, but inside I was empty and lost.

Eventually my choices caught up with me, and I hit rock bottom. I found myself in jail, completely broken and without direction. In that moment, I realized that everything I thought was holding my life together was gone. The only thing I wanted was a Bible. During that time, the Lord began working on my heart. As I read His Word and sought Him, I realized that real change could only come through surrendering my life to Christ. God started transforming my heart and showing me the truth about the way I had been living.

Today, my life has purpose. I know that God has called me into this ministry, and He has given me a place here as an Overseer, helping other men who struggle with the same pride, addictions, and broken thinking that once controlled my life. The Lord has blessed me deeply with His mercy and grace, and I am grateful every day that He has given me another chance.

A verse that speaks deeply to me is **Proverbs 1:23: “Turn you at my reproof; Surely I will pour out my spirit unto you; I will make known my words unto you.”**

That verse reminds me that when I finally turned toward God instead of running from correction, He met me with mercy and gave my life a new direction. Now I desire to keep serving Him and to help others find the same freedom and hope that I have found in Christ.

“SON” RISE SERVICE



What a blessing to gather as a church family to celebrate the resurrection of our Savior! This Resurrection Sunday was more than a service— it was a powerful reminder of the hope, grace, and new life we have in Christ. From worship to the Word, God’s presence was evident among us.

A special joy was seeing the men and women of U-Turn For Christ reunited with their families. Parents rejoicing over their children gave us a vivid picture of God’s restoring power. These moments were more than emotion; they clearly showed that Jesus is still changing hearts, breaking

chains, and writing new stories. God restores lives and rebuilds families. What the enemy tries to destroy, God redeems and makes new.

On Resurrection Sunday, we didn’t just celebrate an empty tomb— we celebrated the many lives He is raising from brokenness to wholeness, from addiction to freedom, and from despair to hope. What a privilege to witness His restoring work in our church family and in the lives of those in U-Turn For Christ. Praise God for restored lives, reunited families, and the living hope we have because Jesus is **ALIVE!**

A very special happy birthday to our dear Peggy Brown! Your daily sacrifices and heartfelt service to U-Turn For Christ are a true blessing. Your love and dedication touch countless lives, and we are deeply grateful for you— today and always.


***“The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.”
- Numbers 6:24-26***





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


- Our greatest need is prayer warriors. Men and women who diligently lift this ministry to the Lord.
- 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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