

OVERCOMERS PROGRAM
"GIVING FLIGHT TO THE NATIVE AMERICAN SPIRIT . . . ONE FAMILY AT A TIME"

The Gooder News

Greetings to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We have begun our Fall session. It was a stressful start, but we rest on the fact that God brings to us the ones He wants here. We were prepared for 8 men to come and by the start of the program 4 of them had been taken from us by the courts and 1 didn't show. The 3 God has brought though all have great attitudes and are working wonderfully together. The three, Colby, Lorenzo, and Sterling, have been very attentive in the classes and are hard workers.

Living Coordinators, John and Dorothy Berillier of Port Colborne BIC church . They reside north of the border near Niagara Falls. It has been interesting up to this point learning more about the Navajo culture as well as that of Canada. They have fit in very well here and have already formed good relationships with the three men.

not released to us. They all had exceptional attitudes and we were looking forward to working with them. God may bring them to us the next program.

We have high hopes for this group and are looking forward to seeing God work in the lives of these three.

We wish to thank all who have supported us in this ministry and ask for that continual support. The funding has dropped off and ask that if any know of others who are looking for a ministry to support we are looking for additional help.

God Bless and thank you.

Program Managers:
Ralph & Bonnie Yoder



God has also brought us a wonderful couple to be our Home



We ask that you keep all here in your prayers. The men as well as the staff. As always God has brought us His best and the enemy will not stand by without attempting to disrupt things. We also ask that you pray for the four men that were

HOME LIVING COORDINATOR'S

Home Living Coordinators are such an important part of the ministry we offer to the men who enter our program. They become many things to the men over the course of the three months that they are here. They build very important relationships with the men, mentor them, listen to them, and help guide them through the program. They help to build a family unit and atmosphere for the

men, which many of them have not experienced. Having two couples evens out the work load for them and for the full time staff here. We talked to many people during our recent travels, and their was definite interest by some. We are asking that you pray and seek God's direction in looking at doing some short term ministry here with us. We also ask you to pray that God would open the hearts of those He would like to bring here in the future.

We need to be able to plan ahead, as well as the couples, that would like to come out. If you would like to come for future Programs, let us know and we will arrange for which ever time you are available. If you want to plan a year or so ahead, we can work with you on that. We can plan as far ahead as you need to. Pray and seek God's will for you and this Ministry.

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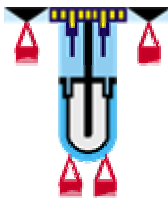
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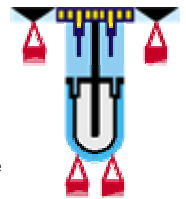
Home living coordinators needed

We are in need of two couples to be home living coordinators for the Spring 2008 session. If you or anyone you know might be interested, please give us a call or send us an email. We will send out any information concerning the positions. Thank you.



Yoder Family News

We had a good trip this summer to Indiana, where we were able to spend time with family and friends for about 4 weeks. We were able to help our family with the estate sale for Ralph's brother David, and just have time to be with the family. During this time we were also able to share in several churches locally about the ongoing ministry here. Josh got the opportunity to go with the Nappanee youth group on a short Mission Trip to New York City, where they joined in some physical labor, ministry and sight seeing. We were glad he got the opportunity to participate in a Missions Team trip, as usually we have Mission Teams that come out to New Mexico. We finished our trip with 2 churches in Ohio, and were able to spend time with some close friends and Loran's family before we headed home. We are always happy to get back home after being away for a couple of weeks. There were not a lot of Teams here this summer, but we kept busy in many ways. The Mission celebrated being 60 Years old, and the Overcomers Program turned 10. The new school teacher and her daughter arrived mid-summer to begin getting the school ready. Kayla was thrilled to have a friend here on the Mission all the time. School began three weeks ago, and we are excited about this year and the new vision Denise has brought with her. Our oldest daughter, Ashli, was able to come spend about a week with us in July. It was so good to be able to have her here with us for a time before she returned home to Alabama. Karen & Jim Shelly were with us over night in August. The time was short, but wonderful to see them again and hear about what they were doing in Louisiana. Ralph stayed busy all summer helping with whatever needed doing around the Mission (vehicle repair, plumbing, carpentry, renovations, etc.) I continue my work in the office, and to help out where I am needed. We both continue to work between Programs on getting ready for the next one, after care for the men who graduated, and looking for financial support through various avenues. Josh and Kayla continue to grow and thrive, sometimes growing faster than I can keep them in clothes and shoes. We feel so blessed as a family to be here at the Mission, working toward the goal God has set before us. Thank you for your continued support with prayer and love.



Prayer Requests and Praises

Praises-

After a rather stressful (for us) beginning to Program, we have 3 men who seem to want to make positive changes in their lives.

John & Dorothy Barillier come to us from Canada, and what a blessing they have already been to us and the men in Program.

We are making new contacts in different areas—judicial, aftercare support for the men, and financial.

We continue to experience God's presence, guidance and leading.

We would like to thank all who have been sending support for the program and the Yoder's. Everything here is financed through individual donations. We give thanks to God for all who have given and we ask that you pray God will raise up more as funds are tight. We are in the process of seeking grants at this time, but that also requires funds for the process. The cost for the grant search is \$500 which God has provided for us, but the cost of writing and submitting a grant is approximately \$2000. We ask for prayer that God will provide this for us as well. God has been faithful in all our needs and we know He will be faithful with this one as well.

Prayer requests-

Keep Colby, Sterling, and Lorenzo in your prayers as they begin the process of learning how to overcome their addictions and walk with the Creator.

Continued Prayer and financial support.

Pray for John & Dorothy Barillier, our only Home Living Coordinator couple this term.

Pray for our family this term as Ralph will be spending more time in Program, to compensate for not having 2 Home Living Coordinator Couples.

Pray that God will bring us two couples for our spring session.

Overcomer Program Needs

Through the course of time needs arise or we find things that can improve the program. If you feel that you can help us with any of these please let us know. Thank you.

Replacement windows in some areas of the building.

New flooring throughout.

New furniture for the recreation room and downstairs living area.

Roman blinds and window treatments.

New interior paint in all the rooms.

Inspirational, non-fiction and fiction reading materials appropriate for our program.

Single bed sheet sets (masculine).

Kitchen items and cookware.

Kitchen remodel.

New Gas stove for kitchen.

Camping equipment.

