

# FROM DEATH TO LIFE

December 6, 2024



MENTORS FOR LIFE

Dear Friends,

“Gus” went silent. I pondered what to say next but the intensity of silence seemed to drown out my thoughts. I guess I expected at least some response after I shared about my dramatic near-death experience, ambulance and all.

I took my eyes off the road for a second to see if Gus was still listening. But he just stared straight ahead. “What about you Gus?” I asked, “Have you ever been in an ambulance?” Gus remained silent for a moment longer, staring ahead but seemingly mustering up the words to say.

**“Yes... um...” Gus paused, “when I was depressed and attempted suicide.”**

Gus’s suicide attempt happened 3 years ago. Desperate for help, his mom reached out to us for support. Timber Bay has now become part of Gus’s weekly routine, along with many of our camps, activities and mentor times.

Since coming to Timber Bay, Gus has gone from an extremely shy, and depressed kid to an outgoing, joyful boy with a constant smile. This year he even professed his faith in Christ and got baptized after regularly attending church with our volunteer. **In two years, Gus has gone from death to life!**

The transformation of Gus’s life is made possible by your prayer and generous partnership. **We want you to know how your commitment to our work is making a difference in the lives of many other struggling teens just like Gus.**



**“Gus” reading his Bible on our Timber Bay trip to South Dakota in June.**

**“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.”**

**John 5:24**



**Looking ahead to 2025, our area outreach budget is \$23,600 (see insert). In addition, we are looking to make up \$600 in monthly support.** If you are able, please prayerfully consider sending a special year-end gift, increase your regular giving, or join our monthly team. Either way, please know we are grateful for you.

Thank you for helping us move teens from death to life!

*Matt & Jenni*

PS. We’ve included our 2025 Outreach Budget. Thanks for helping us meet our goal!

## I/WE WANT TO HELP MOVE TEENS FROM DEATH TO LIFE!

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**DESIGNATION**  HALSETH MINISTRY  NORTH BRANCH AREA OUTREACH  Other

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