## HALSETH HAPPENINGS

March 2023



DRUGS, DEPRESSION, GOD.

Meet Isaiah (left of me). Isaiah has been volunteering alongside me and our team for two years. He has a passion for the Lord, but it has not always been that way.

Through his teen years he was addicted to drugs and alcohol. To make matters worse, his depression nearly drove him to take his life.

Then one day, out of nowhere, this thought to pray to Jesus came to his mind. So he slowly uttered the words, "I'M HOPELESS. I NEED HELP. AMEN." In an instant, he was saved.

Isaiah has completed a degree in Addiction Counseling and now works at a Christian Recovery Center for teen boys (MN Adult & Teen Challenge). Isaiah is excited to see God use his story to change lives!



"And he brought me up from the pit of misery and from the mire of destruction; he set my feet upon a rock and he has made my ways ready." - Psalms 40:2

## AN EPIC BIBLE FOR EVERYONE

I'd like to give a big thank you to those who provided funds for us to purchase Epic Bibles for our teens. We were able to give everyone in our group a Bible for Christmas. We also have more to give out for future students. "A's" mom called to share how excited her daughter was to read her new Bible. She couldn't thank us enough for all Timber Bay has meant to her daughter.



## REUNITED WITH MOM AFTER 8 YRS

You may recall, "Tanner," who got kicked out of his house at the beginning of the school year. Over the past months, we have been working with him to find housing, remain in school and stay connected to Timber Bay.

Recently, he began speaking again with his mom after 8 years. He said she is no longer doing drugs. I was able to help them meet up. It was a tender moment to witness the two of them embrace after all these years.

While I still have concerns, Tanner decided to move back in with her, and finish out his school year online. He has enlisted in the military and starts basic training in June. We text often and he continues to initiate question about God and the Bible. Please pray for his salvation.

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Restoring Hope — One teen at a time

























The theme of Winter Camp was **REAL FRIENDSHIP**. We shared attributes of real & fake friends and how Jesus is THE Friend and THE Model for friendship.

#### YOUTH INVESTMENT TODAY. ADULT DIVIDENDS TOMORROW.

## **PRAISE**

- I thank God for Isaiah and for every volunteer who mentors our students as well as shares the love and hope of Jesus.
- Camp was a great success! It brings our students together to have fun and grow closer to Jesus or to say YES to Him.

### **PRAYER**

- Pray for "Tanner" who has reunited with his mom after 8 years. Pray for his salvation and that he finishes school.
- Pray for two of our students having to testify in court as victims of criminal acts. Pray truth and justice prevails.

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