



# New Name Ministries

## 1st Quarter Newsletter

# HE IS RISEN!

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead”

1 PETER 3

## What a difference a week makes!

By David Hilton

Just imagine walking through the crowds on Palm Sunday and seeing everyone usher in what they thought would be the next King. The people craved for this King to topple Rome and release Jerusalem back to its former glory. Was the issue Rome, or was the issue much bigger?

*Jeremiah 17:9 “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?”*

Now imagine sitting in the back of the crowd that was cursing His name and demanding him to be sentenced to death. As I think about these different days, I begin to praise God for where I am now and praise him for what He is doing in the hearts and minds of those that are saved working for His kingdom. The spirit always tugs on me during Easter because it is easy to get caught back up in the rat race of this world. I know that you will not receive this newsletter until a few weeks after we finally get it put together but join me in slowing down for a moment and truly thinking about what the resurrection means. The resurrection of Jesus Christ means that believers are justified before God. The resurrection of Jesus Christ shows that Jesus defeated death. The resurrection of Jesus Christ means that believers are united with Christ. The resurrection of Jesus Christ confirms the truth of Scripture. The resurrection of Jesus Christ proves the gospel to be true. The resurrection of Jesus Christ proves that Jesus is the Son of God. The resurrection of Jesus Christ means that God the Father will give His Holy Spirit to believers. The resurrection of Jesus Christ gives Christians a living hope. The resurrection of Jesus Christ means that we will be raised like Him. The resurrection of Jesus Christ means that Christ will judge the world in righteousness. Now trust me, I understand as someone that sat between those 4 walls, it may be hard to get excited in a place where you're at, but not only can God use you where you're at in this moment, He will use you any place you get the blessing to go once your out. Remember that Paul praised God in Prison and this influential man should be an encouragement to us all. Brothers, my prayer for you is peace during these times and that you can forget the days troubles and remember the days blessings. Deuteronomy 10:21 says, “He is the One you praise: He is our God, who performed for you those great and awesome wonders you saw with your own eyes.” God bless you and your family and to God be the glory!



Please join us in welcoming our newest arrivals:

**Shane DeVille** 03/09/23

Pray that our recent New Name graduate will walk in their God-given talents for His glory:

**Jimmy Young** 03/17/23

*He is not here  
for He is  
Risen  
Just as He said.*

Matthew 28:6

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## Ministry Wins!!

By The Travis House Leadership

A lot has happened over the last few months, but God has surely blessed this ministry. Bill Bishop, Joseph Kimball, and Larry Brueland all got jobs working with a local linen supply company. Also, Roy got a job with a national chicken processing plant. The men of the Travis and May house threw some awesome food fellowships that included a wealth of graduates, former graduates, and those that support the ministry and men of the ministry. Jimmy Young graduated and rekindled his former marriage. We have started conducting letter writing and readings together from those seeking our one-year committed program every other week and this truly is helping to build more community. We are still getting more organized administratively and really appreciate your patience with the ministry. We enjoy writing to you guys more than once a quarter, but this requires work on everyone's part. Obviously, we have to content with issues in the mailing process and guys are very busy working and programming so please be patient in that regard as well.

## Phoenix Rising

By Matthew Sandoval

You can rise from the ashes, phoenix  
from the flames,  
You can choose your own destiny or  
make it all the same,  
The world has been a broken place for  
so very long,  
But you can make it better, A little  
faith will make you strong,  
Never give up, even when it's tough,  
The world has been unfair enough,  
You can make it brighter, start a  
brand-new chapter,  
You can make this moment last  
forever,  
Life is filled with obstacles, don't let  
them bring you down,  
Your futures in your hands, it's time to  
turn it around,  
Don't fear taking risks, don't be afraid  
to fail,  
Be something great and make your  
mark, it's never too late to prevail.

It is easy to give up when life throws  
you curveballs and crashes down on  
you. But if you don't give up, you can  
turn your life around and be  
something great. You can take control  
of your life and change the course of  
your future by never giving up even  
though the world is crumbling around  
you.

No matter what your past looks like, it  
does not define who you are or where  
you are going in life. You have the  
power through Christ to turn your  
past around and make a brighter  
future for yourself. With  
determination, resilience and  
courage, anything is possible. Don't  
let any negative thoughts bring you  
down - act today to start turning your  
life around!

## Do you ever battle with Envy?

A Paul David Tripp Devotional

Have you ever wondered why someone else's life seems easier than yours? Have you ever struggled to celebrate the blessings of someone else who had what you thought you needed? Have you ever wished you could just switch lives with someone? Perhaps there are ways in which envy haunts us all, so it's worth examining the heart of envy, and increase your power?

What things prepare the heart for envy?

Envy is forgetful. In concentrating on what we don't have that we think we should have, we fail to keep in mind the huge catalog of blessings that are ours simply because God has chosen to place his bountiful love on us. This forgetfulness causes us to do more comparing and complaining than praising and resting.

Envy misunderstands blessing. So often envy is fueled by misunderstanding what God's care looks like. It is not always the care of provision, relief, or release. Sometimes God's blessing comes in the form of trials that are his means of giving us things we could get no other way.

Envy is selfish. Envy tends to put us in the center of our own worlds. It tends to make everything about our comfort and ease, our wants, needs, and feelings, and not about the plan and the glory of the God we serve.

Envy is self-righteous. Envy has an "I deserve \_\_\_ more than they do" posture to it. It forgets that we all deserve immediate and eternal punishment, and that any good thing we have is an undeserved gift of God's amazing grace.

Envy is shortsighted. Envy has a right here, right now aspect to it that overlooks the fact that this moment is not all there is. Envy cannot see that this moment isn't meant to be a destination, but a preparation for a destination that will be beautiful beyond our wildest imagination.

Envy questions God's wisdom. When you and I envy, we tend to buy into the thought that we are smarter than God. In envy, we tend to think we know more and better, and if our hands were on the joystick, we would be handling things a different way.

Envy is impatient. Envy doesn't like to wait. Envy complains quickly and tires easily. Envy doesn't just cry for blessings; it cries for blessings now.

What is devastating about envy is that it questions God's goodness, and when you do that, you quit running to him for help. So, cry out for rescue--that God would give you a thankful, humble, and patient heart. His transforming grace is your only defense against envy.

## New Name Proverbs...

Sometimes you have to go through it to get to it - Bill

You can deny the expectation with Christ - Steven

**Knowing the Bible is one thing, knowing the Author is another - Matt**

Greater is God's strength than my weakness - Shane

It's hard to beat a person who never gives up - Roy

**The best vitamin for a Christian is B1 - Jimmy**

Got truth decay? Brush up on the Bible - Joseph

When we withhold forgiveness, everything that comes from our mouth will be tainted with bitterness - David

**Great things are not done by impulse but by a series of small things brought together - Larry**

We appreciate your continued prayers and financial encouragement for this ministry. Our current needs include financial support for administrative staff, gainful employment for our men, and more bed space & staff for expansion. Please join us in prayers for the new Mav House.

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