



From Pastor Jim's Desk

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Dear Friends of Freedom House,

My morning meditations in both Psalms and Proverbs have been rich with promises. Prayerfully, we continue to wait on the Lord for His help and direction, trusting He will help us overcome this current financial hurdle. Seasons of testing have a way of refining our walk and tuning our heart in faith. The staff and students here have been earnest in the prayer room and



we have all tightened our belts! Some of our staff have been standing faithful while living on half- rations for several months. Nevertheless, our hearts are filled with gratitude to those of you who have sown so faithfully into this work. We give thanks for you, knowing that without your care and support, none of the efforts to offer this faith-based recovery, training and home would be possible. Thank you for loving the Lord and loving people in such a practical way. Jesus continues to be the answer to drug addiction, alcoholism and all other sinful, life-controlling conditions. May I encourage you friends to prayerfully consider the good works of FHM in your own estate planning; or planned giving? The greater good resulting from such steps would be "immeasurable."

Big victories are the result of facing big challenges. We've seen some great highlights in victories from across this past month. We have three new students who have entered FHM to begin their full year stay! On one Sunday evening, I was privileged to both preach and then baptize five of our current students as their family members and church friends cheered on. This was planned and hosted by our friends at Family Worship Center. Next, our annual 4th of July picnic, held in the Columbia Gorge at Cascade Locks, was extremely well attended. We provided hundreds of BBQ servings for both lunch and dinner to about 120 friends, graduates, staff and volunteers as well as all of our students. What a great day, culminated by a huge fireworks display right above us on the river. After such a momentous event, we then held a celebration service for Tyson as he completed his full year of discipleship training. There were nearly 70 in attendance (as I write, Tyson is stepping into a new job which the Lord opened up for him... PTL!) Right after that, the FHM ministry was highlighted as we taught and preached on the theme, "When Life is Hard" at Laurelwood Baptist Church. Following that, three of us shared the ministry of FHM and our testimonies at a Full Gospel Businessmen's luncheon. So, added to our daily chapel sessions, student work force projects, etc., we've been quite busy and the good news of His victory over addictions through Jesus Christ is being proclaimed.



Speaking of the good news, chapel studies covering the book of Deuteronomy have wrapped up and we are just beginning to walk through the book of Romans together. The many hours spent weekly while surveying the scriptures are truly the key to freedom and restoration as God's Word takes root in the inner man. Renewing of the mind and spirit through "the Word" is a biblical principle I truly believe in. With all my heart I also believe that this is one of the main reasons the Lord grants us such favor in ministering to the needs of deeply broken men. Hallelujah!



We try to provide many opportunities for you and your interested friends to come and tour. With summer now here, it is time to schedule a late August BBQ and open house with testimonies and tours. These events are quite popular as we usually host them on Friday evenings, allowing you the rest of your weekend for your other plans. This upcoming open house and BBQ will be on **Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. here on campus. So touch base with your friends and neighbors... and encourage them to come with you and then let us know with a phone call to RSVP. These are always great events that honor the Lord and uplift the heart and spirit. I do hope to see you there!



Our prayer room has a big dry erase board filled with prayer requests that our team prays over daily... do remember this when a need arises in your life. As well, we hope you will add FHM to your prayers when you think about us. Blessings!



Faithful in Prayer,

*Pastor Jim*

Jim Cottrell  
Exec Director

<b>June 2013 - Charitable Income</b>	
Program expenses	\$30,014
Charitable income	\$16,840
<b>-44%</b>	

**Freedom House Ministries – Investing in the Future!**

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**I will join you in helping men who desire freedom from addictions & life-controlling problems!**

I want to be a monthly sponsor of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I want to sponsor a bed for \$ 75.00 a month to cover utilities

My one-time donation is enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

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Prayer Request \_\_\_\_\_

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**Type of Payment Enclosed:** Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Check  Visa  Master Card  Discover

Yes, you can deduct this each month from my credit card:

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**Thank you for making a difference!**

*Signature on Card*