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PINK SHEEP?

In Edinburgh, Scotland, sheep owners mark their animals with dots of spray paint to identify them. One owner appeared to have “overdone” the marking process by spraying his flock totally **PINK**.

Scripture calls followers of Christ – sheep; and, they too, have a unique identifying mark. How can someone be identified as Jesus’ own? We are told the identifier is **LOVE** – “Love one another as I have loved you; By this all

will know that you are my disciple – if you have love for one another. In words and deeds, a believer should show love to ALL those around.

The identifying mark (characteristic) of Team Work is evident here at Adult & Teen Challenge of Dallas, Inc. We’re committed, each day, to journey with those who come to us.

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Paul Ecker (left) & Chuck Moss (right) congratulate Jacob Tucker, the graduate



Guys BBQ for the Super Bowl party



Super Bowl desserts bowls



Ralph doing daily chores

PINK SHEEP *Cont. from pg 1*

Our core values are:

- **Instruct with - *through* - the Word of God**
- **Live a life influenced by The Holy Spirit**
- **A prayerful life with persistence**

The hope we offer is for a transformed life - the opportunity to experience life to the fullest potential God has for them and the promise of eternal life. **JUST REMEMBER:** Your Support assists in making this possible. We also regularly correspond with multiple individuals who are incarcerated. This requires exchange of information with many counties here in Texas and in other states. We do not close any doors. Thanks for making these opportunities fruitful and... Thanks for encouraging others as we continue – because **THE TASK IS UNFINISHED!**

Blessings – Paul, Linda & The Team

HIS LOVE IS CHANGING ME...

I got into drugs at an early age. I liked the lack of authority and what I thought was freedom that came along with them. I didn't realize the hole that I was digging myself into the longer I continued to use. I was in and out of jail. I went through homelessness and I lost all hope for a better life for myself. When I came to Adult and Teen Challenge I found Christ and with him - an opportunity for a second chance at life, restoration with my family and a new cause to live for. Not everyday is easy, but with my God, all things are possible. - *Alex*

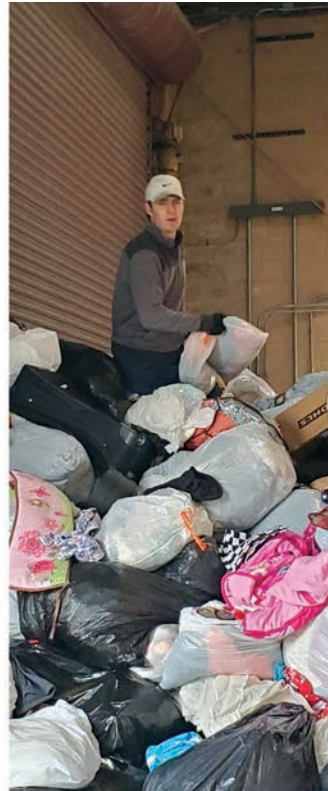
My life was consumed by drugs and sin. I was living for myself and was one bad decision away from the grave or jail. I came to Adult and Teen Challenge and found my way back to Jesus. Now I live my life to serve the Lord. - *Adam*



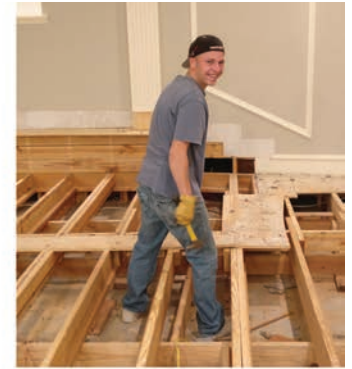
Farewell to staff member Matt Werner

My life was going in a bad direction. Had gotten myself in so many situations – it’s a mystery to me how I made it through some of them. I thought I could handle everything myself! Over and over again I overlooked all the times it was His angels watching over me. He didn’t give up on me. I’m grateful for the ministry of the Adult and Teen Challenge program and the opportunity to grow closer to Him and have hope once again for my future. - *Trey*

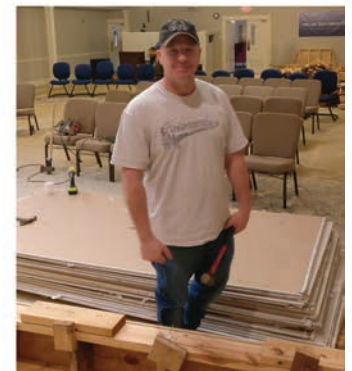
Growing up, I was your model child... good grades, never in trouble, just your run-of-the-mill good o’le boy! I graduated college and had the whole world in front of me. But cocaine entered into my life and before I knew it, I was selling drugs and women to fuel my addiction. Meth was never on my radar until my father became sick with cancer. Meth destroyed my relationships. God entered into my life and filled me with the Holy Spirit. Today I am a new man with the Hope of God in my soul. - *Miguel*



Parker “on top of the mountain”



A good day’s work at...



...Lavon Assembly of God

I’ve been in the program for just over 12 months and what God has done in my life is way too much to summarize in a few short sentences, but as Jeremiah 29:11 says, “God is giving me a future and a hope that I’ve previously never had”. He’s giving me relationships with people in the church that never have been part of the lifestyle that I left behind. Now I desire good things... good things while putting God above all else in my life. - *Sean*

IN MEMORY & HONOR OF...

Tommy Nimpfer (Given by Fred & Sherry Pruner)
Jerry Dale Stevens (Given by Kenneth & Shirley Ballard)

THANK YOU!

...**Pastors & Churches** where ATCD ministered during February . We appreciate your hospitality and look forward to the next opportunity. Thanks for telling others.

...**First Assembly-Terrell**

...**Genesis Center**

...**Wycliffe Translator**

Please encourage others to GET INVOLVED with ADULT & TEEN CHALLENGE DALLAS!

NEED HELP?

1. Call 214.824.6181 to discuss your situation. Ask for Paul. If I'm "active", I'll get back to you later. My objective is to give others the opportunity to receive Christ.
2. If you live within 1 hour, you will be requested to come in for an interview in Dallas or Desoto.
3. If you live over an hour from these locations, you can order the application packet - \$25 - complete and mail in.
4. If the choir is scheduled in your area, you will be invited to attend the service and an interview can be scheduled after the service.

WHO WE ARE...

Adult and Teen Challenge Dallas (The Lighthouse in Desoto), is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, faith-based ministry, supported by area churches, businesses and individuals. Currently we have many partnering churches and individuals that support us through prayer, donations and volunteers. We appreciate and need all the support we receive as we work to liquidate our LIGHTHOUSE indebtedness!

HOW TO HELP...

PROJECTS: BY THE END OF FEB!

SAM'S GIFT CARDS - For items not available at The Food Bank
CANNED VEGETABLES

GOOD - USED VEHICLES (Preferably Mini Vans). Income Tax Credit for you or Missions Credit for Your Church!

Thanks! Thanks! Thanks!

DONATE ONLINE!

Visit the Donate page on TeenChallengeDallas.org for details.

SHOP LOCAL

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS UPDATE! Our New Acct.# is **JU617**. Please visit KROGER's Service Desk, where you shop, and ask that your card be updated. **WHAT A DEAL: YOU SUPPORT ATCD as you buy your weekly groceries.**

SHOP AMAZON SMILE

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ATCD@YOUR CHURCH?

We are a North Texas District "Home Missions" ministry. Call **972.223.2503** or email TLCLighthouse@gmail.com to schedule a choir and speaker. Thank You!

**MY SHEEP
KNOW MY VOICE**

A NEW WAY TO BLESS ATCD!

APPROVED / SIGNED BY CONGRESS... ANOTHER CREATIVE WAY TO BLESS ATCD (and save you taxes!)

If you are 70-1/2 or older, you may request the trustee of your IRAs to annually transfer up to \$100,000.00 tax free of your Required Mandatory Distributions (RMD) to Adult and Teen Challenge Dallas an "approved" 501(c)(3) NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION. The funds must be transferred directly by the IRA trustee (bank or investment company) to Adult and Teen Challenge Dallas in order for it to be tax free to the donor. We suggest you talk with your accountant / financial adviser who will be able to walk you through the process.