



HEART TO HEART



CONNECTING HEARTS  CHANGING LIVES

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HEART CARE MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends of Heart Care Ministries,

The western part of the US has continued to be extremely dry. NW Montana experienced one of the driest and hottest June's on record. The west has had a significant number of fires this season. The valley in which we live has been filled with a haze of smoke a number of times due to fires. In Missoula where my office is located there is a skilled group of people called the "smokejumpers". These individuals could be considered the first responders to a forest fire. They are on stand by and ready at a moments notice whenever a new fire is detected. At the first sighting of smoke in remote areas they are called upon to grab their parachutes and board a plane to be dropped along with boxes of their gear in close proximity to the fire. They have a short time to retrieve their gear and cross rugged terrain to fight the fire before it develops out of control. Due to their extreme initial attack function this method is one of the most cost effective wild land fire fighting methods employed today. They operate based on the old adage "Where there is smoke, there is fire." They look beyond the smoke to find the heart of the fire and seek to extinguish it before it causes major damage. HCM operates in a similar way. There is often evidence (smoke) in a persons life to indicate there is a fire burning somewhere deeper within their heart. It is much easier to see the signs of a fire in the form of behavior, circumstances, attitudes, or traits than to identify what is causing it or where it is coming from. Someone recently had a problem of being unable to talk, express their inner feelings or show affection. As you can imagine this demeanor caused others to view this person as stuck up, callused, cold and self absorbed. It was difficult for anyone to get very close to him which caused problems, especially with his wife and children. At first glance one might easily conclude that this guy needed to straighten up his act. Plunging through the smoke revealed that this person had a deep root of bitterness due to a father who had mistreated and disowned him. He was forced to run away at a young age to avoid the abuse. Later his father invited him to join in the family business only to have all of the profits taken away from his labor leaving him penniless. It was extremely difficult but when he was willing to "let go" of his bitterness, and trust Jesus with his pain, he experienced an inner peace. His wife immediately noticed and said I have never seen him this relaxed. This man had found his rest in Jesus. Another fire extinguished!

A young girl was very self disciplined but struggled with rejection. She would try to cover her rejection pain by being industrious hoping it would be noticed and she would be affirmed for her work. It was like having to work hard for acceptance. She was a wonderful tireless worker but always felt sad. She took her pain to Jesus and He revealed to her that He accepted her for who she is, not based on what she does. She sighed with relief as she remembered the song, Yes Jesus loves me. Jesus is our Savior. He **saves** us from the danger of fire.

Loving for Jesus Sake,

Danny & Shirley



That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: 1Pe 1:7



MISSION STATEMENT

Heart Care Ministries exists to assist individuals and couples in identifying and resolving emotional and spiritual issues by utilizing the Infinite wisdom of the Word of God, trusting the Infallibility of Jesus Christ, and by relying upon the Inspirational power of the Holy Spirit

May the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God... 2 Thess.3:5



"He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds." Psalm 147:3

Please consider supporting us. Heart Care Ministries is a "faith-based" ministry supported through the generous contributions of individuals, organizations and churches that share the vision to provide competent, caring, Christian counseling at no cost. HCM is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization and all gifts are tax deductible. If God moves you to partner with us, please know your gift will be used to make a difference in someone's life. We would be unable to continue in this service without the prayerful and financial support of the loving friends of this ministry. We appreciate your confidence and charitable contributions in our behalf. May God bless your generous and caring spirit.

Testimonials

“...for out of the abundance of His heart the mouth speaks.: Luke 6:45

"Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you." Mk. 5:19

"As a little boy I was sexually abused by an older brother. I also suffered emotional abuse from my dad. I was always the one blamed when things went wrong. It didn't matter if I did anything wrong or not I looked guilty so I received the punishment. As an adult I have struggled with lust and pornography causing me to become quiet, withdrawn and passive and hiding my feelings of pain and rejection. As a result my marriage suffered greatly as well as other relationships with my children and my Lord. My wife reacted to my detachment and pulled her heart away. My wife and I lived as complete strangers and neither of us knew how to reach out to the other. Numerous times we decided to call it quits, but somehow God always changed our minds and we would hang on a little bit longer. We only communicated when absolutely necessary and most of those instances would result in a blow up. In short we had become enemies. After the fourth day of counseling, and I can only say what an amazing and awesome God we serve! God has truly worked a miracle in our lives this week as He has taken away the pain, the guilt, and replaced it with a peace that passes all understanding. And He didn't stop there! What's really amazing is that he helped my wife and I forgive each other and start fresh again, helping us begin to care about each other in a new way, and giving us a love for each other. Thank you Jesus!"

A Husband

"As a girl I was sexually abused, made fun of, and had a parent that was emotionally detached. This caused me to fear, feel alone, and uncared for. When I became older I felt very insecure and didn't know how to interact with friends and was afraid. My parents pushed me to be with them anyway causing me to feel rejection pain. I became self-conscious about how I looked and developed an eating disorder to numb all of the hurtful feelings inside. The counsellor gently led me to Jesus in prayer and Jesus opened my heart and eyes to see His beautiful tender love. His acceptance is enough and caused my heart to rest in Him. I don't need to strive for love and acceptance anymore...His acceptance is enough!"

A Single Female



In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. 1Thessalonians 5:18

We give thanks for those who have faithfully supported the ministry allowing us the privilege to be available to bless others.

We give thanks for the many people who have come to freedom through the power of Jesus name and found Him to be a safe place for their heart.

We were grateful for friends of the ministry. We were privileged to have David and Mary Bulkeley from Pa.visit us in August. They are part of the CFTH family and have dedicated time travelling to support and encourage those involved in this form of ministry.



HeartCORE Issues

The troubles of my heart have enlarged;
Psa 25:17

Spiritual Issues

Issue that affect relationships in a negative way. Spiritual Issues are resolved by acknowledging, confessing and asking forgiveness for the sin.

1. Bitterness

Holding on to emotional pain from people that have hurt us



Prayer to resolve Bitterness

Lord I choose to forgive _____ for _____ causing me to feel _____. I am willing to pay for the emotional pain and consequences that _____ has caused me. I ask you Lord Jesus to take back the ground given to the enemy through my bitterness and yield that ground to your control.



"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Phil.4:6

Pray for people that have been damaged by abuse who appear on the surface to be doing ok and yet below the surface are struggling with the consequences of abuse pain. There is a tremendous need in this area.

Please pray that God would open doors and provide ways for those that could benefit from this model of counselling.

Please pray that the couples and individuals coming for counselling would experience lasting freedom and protection as they go back into their home environment.

Please pray for the protection of this ministry.

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