



AALRM Newsletter

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Our Purpose Statement:

“Alive Again Life Recovery Mission operates for the purpose of creating a safe Christian environment for individuals of all ages to fellowship, learn, and heal from addictions and addiction-related effects”

I met Steve DeBoer in 2011 after attending an Alive Again meeting. I had attended AA and NA meetings in California but was looking for something different. I needed something more to sustain me out of my addiction, and a friend convinced me this would be what I was looking for. Steve greeted me with open arms...I felt so welcomed. We stayed in contact by phone and his encouraging words helped me to stay sober and go forward in my life. I was looking for work, and within the next three months I had landed a job and a place to live. My new faith in Jesus was put to the test as I received a call from the Army saying my son had been injured in Afghanistan and was on his way back to the states. I packed my bags and went to Colorado to be by his side. After a year of recovery with my son I took him back to California to be closer to



his mother and continued two more years of caring for him. After those three years I was in need of spiritual healing. As I prayed one night something came over me. God was telling me to leave everything behind and return to Montana. The next morning I did just that, with \$300 to my name, and with tears in my eyes I asked God to be with me. Two days later I arrived late Friday afternoon, set up my stuff at a campground and found my way to the community café for a meal. I asked if anyone knew where I could find my friend Steve DeBoer from Alive Again. I was pointed to the church where Life

Recovery was held. I found Steve and a new family at Alive Again Life Recovery. I had also reconnected with a woman I had met previously. We were married during a Friday night Life Recovery meeting. I landed a new job and a new fire from the Spirit of the Lord filled me. The biggest blessing of all was the opportunity for my wife and I to be baptized together. This was a show of faith to Jesus that the family of Ralph and Debbie would live in Him and Him in us forever.



Four AALRM Participants Baptized



After his Resurrection, Jesus said, “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

We were all blessed when four AALRM participants chose to be baptized this summer. Ralph is shown above-left, and his new bride Debbie joined him in the baptismal pool shown to the left! Daniel and Emily, another couple attending AALRM, were also both baptized. Emily is shown to the right, with Daniel by her side. Daniel chose to be brave and be baptized in the chilly waters of the Gallatin River, shown above-right. Please pray for



healing of Daniel’s hand after an accident that caused a severe injury.

Dante Wins AALRM Car Raffle... and Donates the Car Back to AALRM

An anonymous donor gave AALRM a custom Camaro last spring. AALRM sold raffle tickets for the classic car and raised more than \$6,000. The excited winner was Dante, a long-time AALRM participant and friend. He immediately donated it back to AALRM, and the car will be auctioned at our annual banquet (see back side). Dante said, “I am thrilled that I won the Camaro, but I want to have others to be saved off of drugs and find Jesus like AALRM did for me... hopefully others struggling with an addiction will find freedom.



AALRM's Annual Celebration of Hope

We are excited about this year's annual AALRM celebration, which will be held on Friday, Nov. 11th at Springhill Church, 4769 W. Babcock in Bozeman at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and you'll be treated to some wonderful desserts, refreshments, and silent auctions. The theme of this year's event will be the "Sounds of Bozeman", showcasing some of Bozeman's outstanding musicians. You'll enjoy **Kostas**, named Nashville Songwriters' Association's Songwriter of the Year and also a Grammy recipient. His songs have been popularized by the Dixie Chicks, Patty Loveless, Vince Gill, Kenny Chesney and countless others, and he has had numerous songs in Country Billboard's Top 10, including "Timber I'm Falling In Love", which hit the number one spot.



Chris Cunningham, with John Hermanson, formed the musical duo Storyhill, one of the most popular folk-acoustic names in the country. Touring the nation and building a large following, they released 7 CDs, worked with Grammy-winning producer Dan Wilson (Dixie Chicks, Adele, Taylor Swift) and appeared on Garrison Keilor's "A Prairie Home Companion". Chris has recently released a solo CD "If You Knew All Along" and operates Basecamp Recording Studio, where he has produced over 50 CD projects. Other invited musicians include **Jeni Fleming**, one of the West's most sought-after musicians; **David Walker**, leader of the Dave Walker Band, and former member of Savoy Brown, Fleetwood Mac, and other groups; and **Claudia Williams and Montana Rose**, one of America's premier bands playing Americana music. Other outstanding local musicians and groups are invited.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students, and \$25 for families and are available online at www.aalrm.org or at Cactus Records. Visit www.aalrm.org for full information on musicians and auction items, and to bid online.

Auction Items

The following items are just a few of those that will be auctioned at the concert or online. Silent auctions will be held at the event starting at 6:00 p.m.



A Week's Stay on Flathead Lake. Enjoy luxury living while recreating and relaxing on Flathead Lake. This beautiful home has 6 bedrooms, 5 full bathrooms, 2 - ½ baths, laundry room, 3 fireplaces, 135 feet of lake frontage, and a 115-ft. dock. Located on Polson Bay... sleeps 15. Available after August 15th, 2017.

5-Night Stay at Kauai Condo. This one-bedroom, 2-bathroom unit is located in the Lae Nani Resort on the Coconut Coast of Kauai. With a murphy-bed in the living room, it easily accommodates 4 people. From this first-floor unit, you can walk directly out to the beach and immaculate grounds. This beautifully decorated condo has travertine and Brazilian tiger wood floors, granite counter tops, HD tv, and new furniture.



All proceeds from auctions directly support AALRM.

Thank you!