



Mission Newsletter

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Testimony from an AALRM Participant

For years I was an alcoholic, a compulsive liar, and was spiritually bankrupted. One day I got sick and tired of being sick and tired. I had to find the strength within me to find serenity, peace and surrender in order to live a sober life. I had gone to nearly every treatment center and institution in the state, but until I finally truly surrendered my addiction and life of sin and accepted Jesus into my life, I was not going to heal.

I have been with Alive Again Ministries and have been mentored personally by Steve for going on seven years now. Through the "Grace of God" I was able to find my life again. What I finally did to break the addiction was to pray that all the sources or suppliers of my drugs were removed from me or that they would move...whatever it took. I prayed hard, "Lord, please help me, I am weak." You know what? It worked. God heard my prayer and answered it. It took me a very long time and today I am clean and sober.

I still sometimes feel like a train wreck, a sinner, and I will never overcome all sin in this life. Jesus' blood covers past, present, and future sins of ours....so the very fact that you have a sin or addiction weighing heavy on you should not, I pray, make you lose heart. Grief over our sin is a great sign that the Holy Spirit is trying to show us our sin.

Thanks to Steve and all other AALRM supporters... you have made a huge difference in my life.

AALRM Annual Banquet To Be Held On October 23rd A Culinary and Musical Feast



AALRM's 4th annual banquet is scheduled on Thursday evening, October 23rd. *Mark your calendar!* You won't want to miss this year's event, which features a 5-course meal prepared by Dan Wendell of *The Food Studio* and music provided by many of Bozeman's finest musicians. You'll be entertained by a variety of musical genres, including gospel, americana, country, latin, and bluegrass. Along with hearing testimonies from Alive Again's participants, you'll hear an update on the program. And don't forget the auctions, both silent and live, with lots of interesting and valuable

items that you can bid on. **For more information and to sign up for the banquet, visit www.aalrm.org or call Carolyn Potts at (406) 586-8859.** You can sign up individually and meet other AALRM supporters, or you can register groups. We have tables that seat 6 or 8 people.

Calling All Cooks!

We continue to seek people and groups who can help with cooking on Friday evenings. We have others who help out and we also have easy recipes that work well for the approximately 80 people who attend. This is a lot of fun and a great contribution to the program. If you would like to help out individually or are in a group that can serve, call Cheryl Arnaud at (406) 763-3145. You can also go on our website now www.aalrm.org and sign up to cook a meal.



What One AALRM Participant Had to Say

One of our board members was in a store recently, and the woman at the check-out stand asked, "Aren't you with Alive Again?" to which he responded "yes, I am." She continued, "I attended last year for several months, but after we moved, it has been difficult to come Friday evenings. I just wanted to say how valuable your program is, and how I was especially touched by Suzy Larson. It brings tears to my eyes when I think about how caring she was during a very difficult time for me."

Our Purpose Statement:

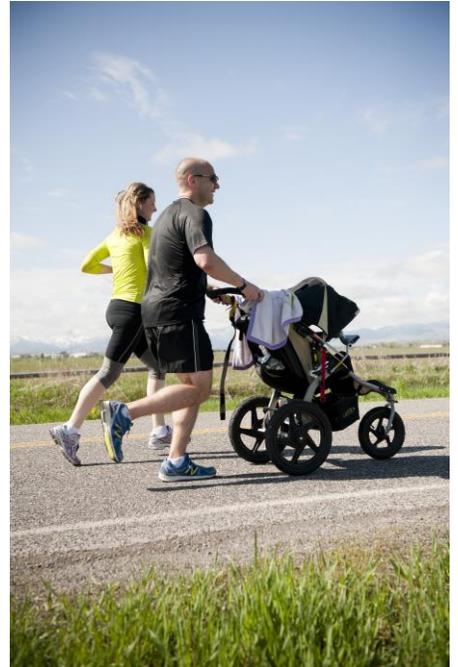
"Alive Again Life Recovery Mission operates for the purpose of creating a safe Christian environment for individuals of all ages to fellowship, learn, and heal from addictions and addiction-related effects"

Run For Recovery a Run-Away Success!



What a wonderful day we had! The Lord treated us to a gorgeous spring day and everyone had a great time! Nearly 200 people completed the 5k run, whether they ran, walked, strolled, or biked. After the run, everyone was treated to a great lunch buffet prepared by none other than our illustrious leader and world-class chef, Steve DeBoer. Add on top of that some country gospel music by our Friday evening praise band plus some great awards and raffle prizes, and you've got the

recipe for a wonderful spring morning in Bozeman. The event raised nearly \$5,000 for AALRM. Many thanks to Dave and Stephanie Cole, who organized the event, AALRM staff, and the many other sponsors and supporters who made this happen. If you didn't make it this year, be sure to attend next year's event! We'll be adding a 10k run next year for those who need more than 5k!



Moving Ministry Helps Participants Out



For those people in our group who are needing to move, we have been able to help out both with moving equipment and willing hands. This has been a great program that allows us to help each other. If you are able to assist this ministry with equipment or "sweat equity", just let us know. It's a great way to help out and winds up being a fun day of fellowship.

Praise ...

For our Friday Night helpers – the discussion leaders, dishwashers, nursery workers, worship musicians, and especially lately for our new cooks!

And Prayer...

For Steve DeBoer, who is having extensive back surgery early September in Germany. Steve will be out of the country for approximately a month.

And Our Thanks...

For your faithfulness in praying for and supporting Alive Again Life Recovery Mission. THANK YOU! Your partnership allows all of our staff to help Gallatin Valley individuals who struggle with unhealthy habits or addiction.

Financial Needs

We thank everyone for your financial support of AALRM. The ministry continues to grow. There are tremendous needs in our community, and your donation supports us in ministering to those in need, in the name of Jesus Christ. A donation form is enclosed.

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

Matthew 25:40

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