



ATLAS for LIFE Newsletter

Mentoring & More!

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ATLAS FOR LIFE IS **Celebrating 15 years of ministry** in Pipestone County!!! It is hard to believe that 15 years have gone by and how God has led, provided and answered so many prayers. We stand amazed!! It comes with a grateful and humble heart that we send this newsletter to you to tell you what all is happening in year 15:



TreeHouse is a support group for struggling teens meeting Tuesdays at 6:00. It includes a meal, games, discussion and support. Needs cooks, kitchen help, and befrienders.



Stand By Ministry are the helping hands to assist those with a one time immediate need. This ministry needs people to drive, watch children, be a handyman, or help with a car.



Bread of Life hosts a Devotion Service twice a month on the 12th floor of Nokomis to share in a time of food, relationship building, music, & God's Word. Needs cooks, befrienders.



Single Moms meets Wed at 6:30 for Bible Study, encouragement, and companionship. Events and a Retreat are part of this ministry. Needs include child care people, cooks, kitchen helpers, befrienders.



Deb's House will be a two family residence to house single moms and families for an extended stay while she gets her life in order under the encouragement of an ATLAS mentor. Needs skilled and not-so-skilled renovators.



Financial Peace by Dave Ramsey is a class on budgeting, how to get out of debt and stay out of debt. Many of those who visit ATLAS take this class. Meets Tuesdays at 7:00.



Alpha Course is an 11 session course sharing the good news. Along with a meal we explore the Christian faith. We need cooks, kitchen helpers, leaders, people to bring their family member, neighbor or coworker.



GriefShare is a support group for those who have recently lost a loved one. This video class is scheduled according to the needs of the participants.



Comfort Care provides a free meal for the extended family before or after the visitation service of a loved one.



The **Gathering Place** is a low key, social, interest driven discussion time which meets the second Tuesday each month at 2:00.



The **Jail Ministry** meets weekly with those who are incarcerated in the Pipestone County Jail.



Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our life. This program meets in Jasper each Friday at 7:00. Needs leaders, befrienders.



Our first calling at ATLAS is to Walk Alongside those who are attempting to overcome whatever struggles that loom before them. We will listen, encourage, and pray with them. Our ministry verse is Ecclesiastes 4:9-10. *"Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor. If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up."*

What a blessing you have been to share in the financial/volunteer needs of this ministry! We could not do this without you and we want you to know that you a big part of what we do and what God accomplishes through your willingness to share the time and dollars that God has given you. God has been at work and we see Him everyday! In celebrating with us what God has done would you consider sharing in our celebration by becoming a volunteer? We need your hands! Would you offer your knees in prayer? Would you consider a gift to Celebrate year 15 with a gift of ____\$15, ____\$150, ____\$1500 ____\$15,000? We would not be so bold to ask this "big" except that we know God is doing a great work and we never want to "short" the work He has planned.

May God Bless you,
Roxie Mulder, Director

Pipestone Pizza Ranch Fundraiser Wednesday, April 24 • 5 - 8 p.m.



Your "tips" and percentage of the sales will provide some of the resources to continue to do the ministry here at ATLAS. Would you consider pledging "matching funds" so we can double our fundraiser?

Call Roxie at 507-227-0905. Any amount can be pledged for matching funds.

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KDWC-99.3 We care!

Have you been enjoying the new Christian Radio Station? If you haven't, check it out. The board decided to do a little advertising for ATLAS by sharing some inspirational thoughts and inviting people to ATLAS. Cost is \$115 per month, would you be interested in sponsoring a month to help with this advertising? Thank you and God Bless 99.3 as it blesses people daily!



Memorials Given in Honor of:

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"Building on the American Heritage" Event

Starting April 11 at 7 pm there will be a 6 week event for you to attend. See David Barton, accompanied by former legislator, Rick Green, on DVD trace America's history back to the source in "Building on the American Heritage." Uncover forgotten stories, Examine the nation's founding documents, and discover firsthand our founding fathers' original intent. Learn the truth of America's past in order to shape America's future. Study Books are \$20. Ron and Cathy Moffitt are facilitators, RSVP needed at **507-848-0267 or 507-562-5777**.



Financial Peace Class

Beginning later in April, another Financial Peace class is starting. Call the office at **507-562-5777** the dates and times. Cost only \$20 for \$159 Class.



Bread of Life Ministry

It comes with great excitement to introduce a new ministry available in our community! God has faithfully led each step of the way and made His plan evident through prayer, Scripture, the people he has placed in my life and experiences He has given me along the way. It is not a simple task to put into words the depth of the journey and the beauty it has held. It is my hope and prayer that by sharing with you a portion of the mission of the Bread of Life Ministry, God will make clear wherein the heart of this ministry lies.

Bread of Life Ministry began with a simple word, "yes." This yes was to God in December of 2017 and since then He has gracefully led each step of the way in making the vision of this ministry a reality. The heart of this ministry stems from a deep desire to make all feel welcome, loved, worthy, and capable. God has led us to go forth with a spirit of intentionality in seeking out and going to those who may be lost, hurting, and in need of God's love and grace in abundance. We desire to gather together as friends to share in food, fellowship, worship, prayer, music, and Scripture. We hold tight to a vision of bringing together a community of people despite differences such as gender, age, race, denomination, socioeconomic status, capabilities, or background. Instead of letting these differences divide us, let us embrace them and learn from and encourage one another. The blessings we bestow by serving God through serving others is considered great joy, a joy that can only be found in Jesus and that is burning inside of us to be shared with all people.

Presently, the Bread of Life Ministry is hosting a Devotion Service on the 1st Wednesday and the 3rd Sunday of each month on the 12th floor of the Nokomis Apartments. The Devotion Service includes sharing in a time of food, worship through music, and a devotion. Those living in the building and anyone in the community are welcome and encouraged to attend. We began meeting in February and the gatherings have been covered in prayer and a blessed time of coming together in His name.

The desire and prayer for this ministry is to eventually host other events in the community with the sole intent of sharing the love, hope, and grace of Jesus.

If you have any questions about this ministry, would like to learn more, or are interested in how you could serve, do not hesitate to contact Jess Bosma at (507) 828-7481 or bosma.jessica@yahoo.com. You can also follow us on Facebook.

If you feel led to give a monetary contribution you may write a check to ATLAS with "Bread of Life" in the memo line. A large component of this ministry is to have Bibles on hand as we explore the Word of God together and available to gift to anyone desiring one. To date, we have had the privilege of presenting 15 Bibles to attendees with the unique honor of being able to also pray with and over them. We were able to find a CSB Everyday Study Bible for a current price of \$15 per Bible.

As we all hunger, let us be nourished with the only thing that will ever satisfy, the Bread of Life. John 6:35 "I am the bread of life," Jesus told them. "No one who comes to me will ever be hungry, and no one who believes in me will ever be thirsty again."

In His Name, *Jess Bosma*