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A Monthly Newsletter

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Jots from Jeff



March got away from us before we could publish a newsletter, so consider this issue to be a combination issue for both March and April. It is such a blessing to witness Spring, seeing

all the flowers and trees bursting with blooms and leaves after looking dead for so many months. It reminds me of what happens in our lives when we allow Christ and His Holy Spirit to live in and work through us. It reminds me of His resurrection: from death to life and real life through death with Christ. It reminds me of new beginnings, which is exactly what we are promoting through the ministry and work of *Eagle Recovery Center*.

We have been saddened in the past few weeks by the deaths of two precious people who were great friends of both

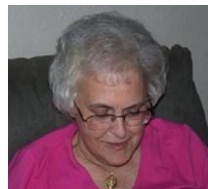


Boulevard and Eagle. Tom Poteet, former elder of the *Del City church of Christ*, and a friend of mine since 1991, passed from this life to the next after a lengthy, debilitating illness. **Tom**

was a staunch advocate of our mission to take the message of a new life in Christ to as many people as possible. He was a steady servant of Christ for decades. He

blessed us with his life, and continues to bless us in his death. His widow, **Janice**, kindly suggested that friends send financial gifts to *Eagle Recovery Center* in lieu of flowers. Many people have graciously responded to this request and a substantial amount has been donated in **Tom's** name. He has left an amazing legacy which keeps on giving.

We also lost one of our own precious

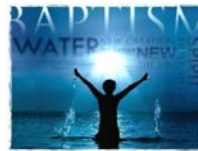


members of the *Boulevard church*, **Maxine Cole**. When the *Drexel Boulevard church* ceased operations in

2010, she chose to stay with us and help launch the new era for the church at 1301 N. Drexel Boulevard. Some of our methods were a little different from what she was used to, but she accepted and adapted and stayed the course with us to the very end of her life. She loved us and our ministry and those whom we are trying to serve. She was constant in church attendance and took a leading role in teaching our young children. A truer servant of Christ I have never known. We are sad to see her go, but we are rejoicing that she has now been transferred to the Home Office (Heavenly Paradise). Thank God for loaning us **Maxine!**

You will be happy to learn that another one of our *Eagle* residents decided to confess Jesus as Lord and be

buried with Christ in baptism (Romans 6:4-8) recently. She still has a long way to go in her struggle with addiction and the consequences of her life-choices. Out of respect for her privacy, I won't list her name, but I ask you to pray for Christ to complete the work He has begun in her. Thank you!



We want to thank **Mobile Smiles Oklahoma!** for

returning to *Eagle Recovery Center* last



week to provide much needed dental care for many of our residents at absolutely no charge. Would you consider helping this very worthy cause? They are a continual blessing to us (mobilesmilesok.com).

This past Sunday was Easter Sunday and it was a perfect time to reflect on the message of the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We had a banner crowd with nearly 100 in attendance (which is huge since we normally have around 50). Many were with us for the very first time. Several engaged us in deeply spiritual conversations with questions about their relationship with God. We hope to see much fruit from this encounter and we ask you to be prayerful for that very thing. As always, we appreciate your love and support.

— Jeff Gardner, evangelist

About Us

Boulevard church of Christ is a family of believers in Jesus Christ who want to be the hands and feet of Jesus in reaching people with messed up lives. We believe Jesus is the great Healer physically, spiritually, emotionally and socially. And we all need to be healed of something.

Eagle Recovery Center is a Christ-centered, structured, sober-living group home for the purpose of empowering women to successfully re-enter society and live victoriously over drugs and alcohol or any other destructive habit. All residents are valued members of the Boulevard church family.

Thank You for these Memorial Gifts

- **In Honor of Mark Hamblin**

- Judy Finch
- Jeff & Susie Gardner
- Megan Bolt
- Laura Spohn
- Amy Dennis

- **In Honor of Tom Poteet, Jr.**

- Jim and Jean Dyche

- Ida Tedford
- James & Sandra Farha
- Mr. & Mrs. Don Livesay
- Patricia Scott
- Del & Ramona Allen
- Frank & Jean Manns
- Jim & Nancy Hale
- Darrel & Madonna Sullivan
- Rob & Sonya Weaver

- Laura Gapper
- Elmer & Wanda Cochran
- Dutch & Ann Schneider
- Ketcher/Carr Link Group
- Linda Cash
- Leonard & Emily Fellhoelter

- **In Honor of Maxine Cole**

- Judy Finch

Donate online at <http://www.gofundme.com/eaglerecovery>

Yes, I would like to partner with the *Boulevard church* and *Eagle Recovery Center* to help bring Christ to and heal those who are struggling to overcome addiction by making a donation of...

\$25 ___ \$50 ___ \$75 ___ \$100 ___ or Other \$ _____ (donation enclosed)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Make checks payable to **Boulevard church of Christ** and send to:

1301 N. Drexel Boulevard • Oklahoma City, OK 73107

www.eaglerecoverycenter.org

Other Ways to Help:

- Female or Husband/Wife teams to help with transportation for a day
- Donate good clothing suitable for work
- Godly women to develop mentoring relationships with an Eagle resident
- Grounds keeping assistance (mowing, limb cutting and removal, painting and repair)

Please contact Lora or Donna at one the numbers listed below to volunteer.

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