



PRAISE REPORT **September 9, 2017**

OUR MOUNTAIN MINISTRY

Every Saturday, we take one of our ministry programs, the Homeless Youth or the Ex-Offenders from the ACTC Halfway house on a high adventure trip to the mountains. This can include climbing a waterfall, tubing St. Mary's Glazier, tubing the South Platte River, exploring Devil's Peak, etc.

Today, in partnership with Lucas Rosentrater and his Turning Point of the City ministry, we started a new ministry. A ministry for youth who have been incarcerated for various crimes, who are now at a group home, who are attending school, trying to rebuild their lives. We took them to Buffalo Creek Falls. It is a waterfall that drops into a cave and flows out the other end. The youth slide down a natural waterslide made by the waterfall and swim and hike through the cave. This takes courage, stamina, and teamwork. These youth were amazing. They boldly accepted the challenge of sliding down the falls, withstood the very cold mountain water, helped each other overcome the various challenges of the cave, encouraged each other, and successfully navigated the cave. They repeatedly accepted the challenge of the cave until it was time to go. I saw GOD at work today!!! I saw youth who live together under difficult circumstances, who often have disagreements, who are separated from their families with little contact, and who often feel alone and abandoned, come together as a team, as a family to help each other confront their fears, overcome their petty differences, and conquer the cave!!!! They didn't realize it, but today they took a giant step toward rebuilding their lives!!!

As we continue to build a strong relationship with these youth, our ultimate goal is to bring them to accept Jesus Christ as their savior and to give them a church family!!!!!! To accomplish this, we are in need of a church body/organization to join us. There are huge hurdles that must be overcome. I ask for your prayers and support as we continue to help these youth build new, GOD centered lives.

Thanks and GOD Bless,

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