

ROOTED

On January 1, 2020, Pastor Lucky shared RM's theme of "Rooted" for the year. This theme comes from Psalm 1:1-3. Pastor Lucky shared that our relationship with the Lord becomes rooted as we delight in the law of the Lord, meditate on Scripture, trust in the Lord, and become rooted in love. Our desire is to extract roots that are destructive while watering and nurturing roots that are healthy in our relationship with Christ. Therefore, when troubles, difficulties, and struggles occur, we will be firmly rooted in Christ and will not be shaken by the circumstances around us.

"Blessed is the one
who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,
but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
and who meditates on his law day and night.
That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers."

Psalm 1:1-3

ROOTED- IN THE MOUNTAINS

Thanks to a generous individual who donated their mountain home to RM for a week, students had the privilege of getting away. The theme for this year's retreat was "Rooted," continuing to build upon the desire to become firmly rooted in our relationship with Christ. Students and staff spent time in personal solitude, prayer, and devotions and corporately spent time in chapel services and worship.

This was also a time of fellowship as life experiences such as hiking, warming up around campfires, roasting hot dogs, and making S'mores were shared. We are grateful for opportunities like this to not only experience times of fellowship and fun, but to also grow as a body of believers and become more firmly rooted in our relationships with the Lord and each other.



EVENTS

AWARENESS EVENT

Join us THURSDAY, APRIL 23, from 12:00 – 1:00pm to learn more about RM, tour the facilities, and hear stories of life transformation. Lunch will be provided. RSVP online or to info@reconciliation-min.org

Location: 46 Highwood Court

4TH ANNUAL (RE)NEW HOPE BANQUET

On THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1 from 6:30 – 8:30pm, RM will celebrate the newest graduates of the men's and women's programs. We hope you will join us for a night of inspiration as we share program updates and rejoice in the work the Lord has done.

RSVP online at www.reconciliation-min.org or email info@reconciliation-min.org

Location: 901 St. Andrews Road
Columbia, SC

DID YOU KNOW?

WRITTEN BY LUCKY DETTY
DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

I still remember the anxiety that permeated my thoughts and emotions on the eve of my first public sermon. The task of articulating God's Word seemed almost impossible, but as a student in the ministry, I was required to complete a weekly 5-minute message. That was almost 9 years ago and today I have the privilege and responsibility of communicating God's Word on a daily basis. In his exhortation to Timothy, the Apostle Paul writes, "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15).

At Reconciliation Ministries, we believe that it is imperative for our students to not only study Scripture but also to convey the spiritual principles and practical application necessary for living a life of holiness to others. Each week, our students stand in front of their peers and RM staff as they present a 5-minute message. The messages are outlined by specific prerequisites including a main Scripture verse as well as the author and date of the verse. Intertwined throughout these messages are sound Biblical hermeneutics and more importantly, profound self-discovery of the true and living God. Thanks for helping us provide a platform where men and women meet Jesus!



CONTRACT COMPLETIONS

As I look back over these past couple of weeks, although difficult and challenging, I am encouraged to see so many people caring for others in such genuine ways. Here at RM, we have continued to care for and support men and women battling addictions. Although there have been schedule alterations and precautionary measures put in place, our normal programming has continued.

Research shows that stressful situations, such as COVID-19, play a key role in perpetuating drug abuse and relapse. As a result, RM expects to see an increase in the number of intake calls over the next couple of months. As the need for RM grows, would you consider making a donation so we can continue to serve people who are lost, hopeless, and bound by addiction?

I hope and pray you will stay encouraged as our hope is in the One who created the heavens and the earth, not in anything of this world. Thank you in advance for your unwavering commitment to help men and women experience freedom, hope, healing, and reconciliation to God, themselves, and others.

-Ashley Miller
Executive Director

Donations can be made using the envelope provided or online at www.reconciliation-min.org

RM desires for men and women to not only become sober, but to experience transformative work and new life through Jesus Christ. RM students work through 5 contracts of Biblical curriculum to accomplish this goal. These contracts are:

Contract 1: Salvation

Contract 2: Made in God's Image

Contract 3: Spiritual Growth

Contract 4: Relationships

Contract 5: Servant Leadership

Each contract includes goal setting, lessons that are relevant to the contract topic, character development, and an in-depth study of the Scripture. This involves Scripture memorization, as well as creating chapter by chapter summaries of books in the Bible. In addition, outside books are chosen to supplement and support the contract topic. Students then read, reflect, and summarize what they've learned. As students advance through their contracts, our goal is to help them become firmly rooted in the Word of God. To accomplish this, they dedicate a large portion of their daily schedule to spending time in God's word - meditating on it both day and night. Finishing a contract is an incredible accomplishment. Pictured below is RM staff and six students receiving a contract completion certificate.



BABY MYLES

RM would like to introduce the newest member of the family! Pastor Trevor, Jackie, and Mac welcomed Myles Mosley into their family on March 3rd.



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STUDENT UPDATE

Since completing his contract coursework in September, Robert G. has been working diligently to get back on his feet. His focus has been to obtain his driver's license and complete his GED requirements. He is now self-employed as a painter and has been able to start paying off some of his legal fines. Although starting a business was a practical step, his ultimate goal is to formally work towards a pastoral degree and become a minister of the Gospel.

Robert is grateful that he is now able to be a more visible and present part of his children's lives. This was not possible before coming to RM. His desire is to one day be fully restored and reunited with his children. Until then, he can be found with paintbrushes and rollers in hand or on the phone with his kids as he works on restoring relationships that he once thought were lost.

