

## **SPRING 2024 NEWSLETTER**

Happy Easter from Mending Ministries! He is Risen, He is Risen indeed. For without the resurrection we have no hope (1 Cor. 15:12-19). My grandfather, an avid fisherman and supporter of Mending Ministries, died this January. At his bedside in the hospital, I read him Q&A 1 from the New City Catechism. Q "What is Our Only Hope in Life and in Death? A. "That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death, to the Lord Jesus Christ." He replied, "Amen!"

May we boldly proclaim the Gospel to ourselves, family, friends, and neighbors. For Christ crucified, Risen, and Ascended really is our only hope.

We have hosted 2 clinics this year with a total of 19 young men and women. We were blessed to have Kurt join us all the way from Milwaukee to help with the fly tying instruction. Many of the students have asked when they could get together and tie more flies. We are excited to take these young men and women out fishing this spring and summer with their fathers or grandfathers that attended the clinic with them. We already have a few fishing dates lined up with these fathers and their children, and will be working on getting all 19 youth out this spring or early summer.

We are also planning on taking out young men and women from Youth for Christ again this summer. This is one of the highlights of our year as we get to engage with youth that don't have engaged fathers. It is a great opportunity to show them God's love. If you would be interested in fly fishing with one of the youth as a mentor during one of these events, please contact me. No fly fishing experience is necessary. All you need is a passion for loving the next generation and sharing the Gospel with them.

One thing we are passionate about at Mending Ministries is Godly leadership in the home. We are called to be Godly leaders in our home with our wife and children. We want to invite all husbands and fathers to join us Wednesday mornings at Meg's Daily Grind from 5:30-6:30 am to study the Word, pray for each other, and just do life together. A group of 5-6 of us have been meeting every Wednesday morning for the last year. It has been such a blessing for all of us and we want to invite you to join us as we strive to become more Godly husbands and fathers.

Thank you to all those who attended the Mending Ministries bowling fundraiser and have supported financially. Your support has allowed us to upgrade all of our rods and reels in order to provide a better experience for the fathers and their children. To be added to our email list, please contact us using the link on our website: Mendingflyfishing.com