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| Announcement Newsletter is now published please pass it on to other men.  Please make sure you sign up for the monthly newsletter where there will be announcements of coming events for the District Men’s Ministry.  If you would like to contribute an article to be published here, please send it to [theacc75@outlook.com](mailto:theacc75@outlook.com) title the email article for newsletter.  Out next event is May 2nd and 3rd at Delta Lake the Spring Men’s Retreat put it on your Calendar and let’s make it Great!! |  | Inside This Issue  PG. 2  Men’s Spring Retreat May 2nd & 3rd.  PG.3  Teaching the Next Generation. |

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| Spring Men’s Retreat It’s time to shake off the din or winter and begin a new season. I love spring, it’s that time of year that everything seems new and hopeful. Flowers awake from their slumber, birds reappear, and the air takes on a new sweet warm aroma.  Unfortunately, it also means it’s time to clean up after the snow has gone. This winter has been extremely hard on our beloved Delta Lake. The gazebo was crushed from the large accumulation of snow, many trees have come down because of the ice and wind.  This retreat will be a test of the men of the district and a real way to serve others and our Lord. We will need chain saws, hammers, prybars, rakes, axes, saws, and any other tools that you think may be needed. The gazebo will need to be broken down and removed. The trees that are down will need to be cut up and removed from the ball field area.  So let’s come together and help the camp get a head start on summer. |  |  |
| “Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.” *Psalm 51:10* |  | Clearing The Clutter. Every year as we draw closer to spring we look around and see all the stuff we have acquired over the winter. The same is true in our Spiritual lives as well. We kind of go into a winter hibernation, maybe we didn’t get to church as often because of the cold, or we slept in and didn’t do our devotionals.  That’s ok if we realize the need to clear out the clutter in our walk and begin a new path. Easter calls us to take stock of what Jesus did for us all, are we still walking in His path? Have we strayed a bit? Clearing the clutter is simply clearing out old habits and getting back To following Jesus. Let the Spirit Guide You. |

*Teaching The Next Generation*

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.”

Proverbs 22:6

I grew up in the church, some in the Syracuse area know of Eastern Hills Bible Church. My father and a number of men in the area began that ministry back in 1965 out of the Fayetteville town hall, later building the original church at the current location on Enders Road in Manlius.

I Spent several days at that church with my dad and other men, doing maintenance and serving, they were days that I treasure today. Those times made me feel as if I belonged to something special, and I mattered. I was contributing to something greater than myself. I can honestly say that that experience formed my willingness to serve our Lord today. I was the basis of my faith.

The men that guided me and showed me that serving God was a calling and one that we should all accept, but it was also an obligation to support one another and help those in need. I slipped away from my faith for a while, but God never let me forget where my home was and when I needed Him He was there.

As we come to the Spring men’s retreat, ask yourself, is there a young man in your life that you would like to lead to the Lord that weekend? Is there a young man that wants to spend some quality time with you and other men? Bring them along these weekend retreats are ways we build bonds with each other through worship and activities, service projects and fellowship. These bonds will last a lifetime and believe me as an old man now I relish those memories as a young man then. Make a difference in a young man’s life invite him along.

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