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Dear Ministry Supporters:

Regardless of what Punxsutawney Phil may have said, the worst of winter is over and we look forward to seeing God's great creation come to life again! Despite the cold, dark days of winter, we have seen the warmth and light of God's love reach out to many, including ourselves.

Chaplains Dave and Craig continue to enjoy ministering to the needs of those they meet and have had numerous opportunities to share God's love and the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ. We usually have our Chaplains write something for our newsletters, but this time around, we thought you might like to hear from some of our Board of Directors on how God is blessing them and the ministry:

"During my time on the Board, it has been a blessing to see how God has used Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry, Inc. (CTSM) to meet the needs of drivers, employees and travelers at the area truck stops. We have only been able to do this through your generous support. Praise God for His blessings and your support!" - Paul Miller, Chairman

"I have been blessed so many times by the 'God moments' that Brother Dan used to tell us about. He was such a positive influence on me even during his battle with cancer. He would always say he was blessed to have cancer because it opened up so many opportunities that he might not have had otherwise. The testimonials from the cookie distributions are always very encouraging. I am very happy now that we have seven day a week coverage with our two Chaplains. Trucking is a very hard and lonely industry. I feel blessed and challenged to be able to support this great ministry that God has set up to show truckers and travelers God's Love." - Jay Sensenig

"As Secretary/Treasurer, I have been encouraged to see how the Lord is continuing to bless His ministry through you, our supporters. We know that the Lord is the owner of everything - "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it..." (Psalm 24:1a) and He requires us to be faithful stewards of what He has entrusted to us "...it is required of stewards that one be found faithful." (1Cor. 4:2b) We have always sought to be that faithful steward. At almost three-quarters of the way through our fiscal year, and despite some increased 'transitional expenses,' our good God continues to abundantly provide." - Dave Bell, Secretary/Treasurer

"A friend invited me to become involved in this ministry and I did so hoping to be a blessing to the truck drivers in our area, only to find out, I am the one who is being blessed. 99% of the things we use in our daily lives have been brought to us because of a sacrifice in the life of a trucker and his family. I realize they receive compensation in wages, but they lose so much more in family relationships that we so easily take for granted. The least I can do is support them in prayer and help to ensure they have a chapel and a chaplain in our area where they can go to talk to God and share the issues of life with someone when they need to unwind and sometimes just take a load off their minds. I can't even

begin to fathom the stress they must be under on some days. I am glad I have been led to CTSM, and wish I could do more. I am proud of the Ministry I represent and we will continue to be there for the truckers when they need us.” - Pat Thornton

“As a member of the Board of Directors, I thank each of you for your prayers and donations to the ministry. Our chaplains are always busy talking to, and leading truckers and travelers to the Lord.” - Frank Calaman

“My Dad was a trucker and my brother is a trucker. As such, truckers are very special to me and I admire them so much. Some people take notice of fancy sports cars. I take notice of sharp looking rigs. When I was approached about becoming part of CTSM by serving on the Board, I felt a strong calling that this was what I was to do. Knowing that I play a small part in getting the message of Christ's saving grace to truckers, truck stop employees and other travelers gives a purpose to my life. I feel blessed to be able to be part of this Ministry.” - Linda Sipe

“We are glad for the opportunity to serve CTSM. It is the Lord's ministry and He has guided our chaplain in the past and continues to guide our chaplains now. We rejoice in hearing about truckers who come to know the Lord as their Savior. We also want to thank you for your prayers and support for the Ministry. It is a very positive outreach to truckers and others who need to hear about God's love.” - Glenn and Anna Miller

“As Vice Chairman for the Board, I have been blessed to be able to serve and to have known Chaplain Dan Lehigh who was chaplain until he passed last May. I learned a lot about living for Jesus from him and also about life in general.” - John Kahley, Vice Chairman

“I am very thankful for the late Chaplain Dan Lehigh asking me to be a CTSM Board member. At that time, I was involved with the Trucker's Breakfast once a month. Chaplain Dan asked that I pray and talk with my pastor before making a decision. On May 14, 2011, we had our first 'Carlisle Area' truck stop banquet. Barb Lehigh took the lead, and I followed her guidance. Since then, I have filled the coordinator role for the Carlisle area banquets for the past six years. Seeing and hearing how God works through this ministry is beyond what words can describe. Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!” - Anna Mae Zinn

Speaking of banquets, spring signals the time for us to gather together as a Ministry family at our **Spring Dinner Concert on Saturday, May 6th**. The enclosed flier provides all the details. Please note that the deadline for ticket sales is April 28, 2017. In addition, if you would like to purchase a 'Sponsor Ad' for the evening's program, please call me at 717-776-7191. The deadline for ads is April 21, 2017. Don't miss this opportunity to have a great meal, at a great price, with great music, in the company of great people. It won't be the same without you!

We Pray God's Blessings For You,



for the Board of Directors - Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry, Inc.

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