



**Dec. 2015**

## **IN HIS NAME OUTREACH**

***In This Issue: A Look Back at 2015 and a Look Ahead to 2016***

### **2015... What a Year!**

God has been so good to this ministry. Whether it was the 50+ people who attended the Forgiveness Seminar and left transformed, the bringing onboard of new teammates, partnerships and networking connections made, programs being developed, God continues to expand our horizons for the future. We must also give special thanks to all those who have donated their time, talents, prayers, and finances to make IHNO a viable ministry. One exciting way God is opening doors for IHNO in the coming year is further explained below by Richard Zielinski, our CFO.

At 9:29 AM on November 30, 2015, In His Name Outreach Inc. (IHNO), submitted it's first grant application. It was sent to the New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) and arrived just 7 hours and 31 minutes before the cutoff for submission. IHNO is competing for one of six grants awarded statewide, each of which total \$1,750,000 over five years. The money will be used to establish a Recovery Community and Outreach Center. In our application, IHNO proposes to serve about 1.3 million people in the 8 counties known as Western New York.

The effort began on April 2, 2015 when In His Name Counseling became In His Name Outreach Inc., a New York nonprofit, charitable, faith-based resource center dedicated to building and restoring the spiritual, emotional and physical health of our community. After obtaining a federal I.D. number and registering as a NYS charity, IHNO was granted tax-exempt status as a 501(c)(3) on June 23, 2015.

This means IHNO is not only exempt from all taxes but also can accept tax-deductible contributions. Armed with that designation, IHNO subsequently applied for and was granted "pre-qualified" status for all grant applications by the New York Grants Gateway. That approval allowed us to apply for a Recovery Community Center grant. We will find out the determination of that grant in early 2016.

We continue to ask: What it is that God wants us to do with this ministry to help better serve the WNY community? We have been blessed with opportunities to share our message of hope to more churches, our partnered Treatment Center in Florida "Lakeview Health", radio interviews on WDCX, and much more. No one knows what's on the horizon for 2016, but God's moving in a big way, that much is evident.

To listen to our live radio broadcast with our new partner Linda Penn, Host of Today's Living Hope WDCX 99.5, Biblical Counselor, Seminar Promoter, Events Coordinator Bender's-**CLICK ON ICON TO THE RIGHT**

*today's living hope*  
EMPOWERING PEOPLE WITH  
PURPOSE AND DESTINY  
WDCX Radio FM 99.5  
Saturdays from 1 to 2 pm

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#### ***Announcements:***

***Merry Christmas to all  
and a Happy New Year!!***

## Don't Forget to Donate: Deadline Dec. 31st 2015

On June 23, 2015, In His Name Outreach, Inc. was granted tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

This status was applied as of April 2, 2015, our date of formation as a non-profit corporation.

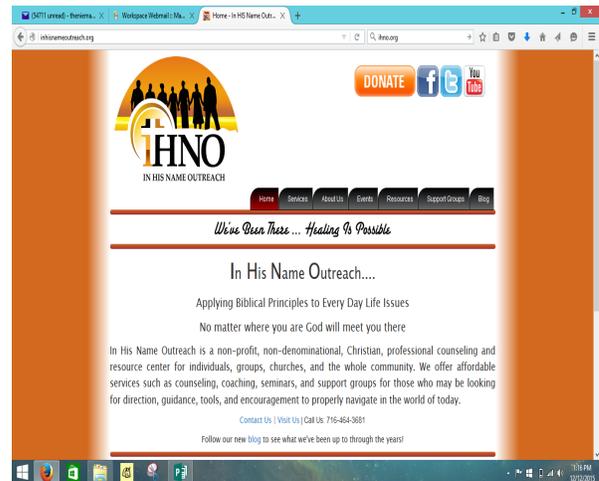
Hence, all donations received on or after April 2, 2015 and on or before December 31, 2015, are tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

The only provision is that the contribution does not involve the exchange of goods or services.

### Donations to IHNO are easy...

Go to [inno.org](http://inno.org) and click the "DONATE" button found on the top right side of the home page. Donate by either credit card or PayPal.

You may also contribute with cash or check payable to IHNO and send to 3871 Harlem Rd. Cheektowaga NY 14215



*An official receipt for the total amount contributed during the eligible 2015 period will be issued in January 2016 to all Donors.*

*Thank you for all who give!*

## **PRE-MARITAL COURSE:** *The most important 4 hours of your life!*

Marriage is supposed to be sacred and forever! Gather the tools needed for a successful marriage.

Pre-marital counseling is a great investment in a lifelong endeavor and covers all the components of a healthy marriage through a 4-Part Course complete with...

"Certificate of Completion".

**Total Cost:** \$250 p/couple. Includes cost of materials and framed "**Certificate of Completion**"

**Payment Options:**  
Cash, Check, Credit Card

**Details:** 1st Saturday of every month at IHNO Office

**Location:**  
3871 Harlem Rd,  
Cheektowaga, NY 14215

**Each 60 minute Class:**  
**101, 102, 103, and 104**  
(4 hours total)



**Call to Register:**  
**716-464-3871**

## The Gift of Giving

by Craig McRae

We all like getting stuff. There is the excitement of the present before us, the wonder of what is inside and, to a certain degree, the desire to know what others think of us. Getting is fun but we are commanded to give in the scriptures and quite often we find out that when we give, we get. Giving is not a zero sum game where we lose forever what we have released because, with the Holy Spirit's direction, we know that when we give with a proper attitude, God is simply directing what is His from us to someone else that needs it more right now.

Paul tells us in 2 Cor. 8:7 that we are to excel in this grace of giving. Solomon tells us in Prov. 21:26 that the righteous give without sparing. When we accepted Christ into our hearts we started a mind shift that points us to the reality that giving is more enjoyable than getting. We look at others through Christ's eyes and see how we can be His hands and feet and we readily acknowledge all that He has given us and all that He has done for us and the giving becomes the least that we can do.

Test God today and give even though you think it might hurt and see how our Heavenly Father will provide for all that we need and, often, many of the things we want as well. Have a Christ filled day and God bless.

### **MAKE IT PERSONAL WITH PRAYER by Bonnie McMichael**

*Dear Lord God,*

*Thank you for your gifts of grace and provision. This time of year we can get so sidetracked in our lives between holiday parties, gift giving, planning family gatherings, to the point where we get stressed out and overwhelmed by the holidays. We all have a vision of what Christmas should be. Memories both good and bad, expectations of ourselves and others, remembering loved ones lost, strained relationships...bearing all this on our own can result in depression, anger, and addiction. Father, our mood often conflicts with these outward projections of this holy season. Sometimes Father we just need to seek wise counsel to help us surrender these dynamics to you Lord. Because only You can translate them into peace. And when we pray, and read your word, and serve while working on our own physical, emotional, and mental health, You comfort and refresh us, and transform us. As we then find our path and purpose in you God, we can be complete and offer that gift to others. For this is the true gift of Christmas... AMEN.*

## 2016 Up-Coming Events

### January:

**Thursdays in January, a Discipleship Bible Study:** hosted by Linda Penn, at Benders Christian Bookstore: Dr. Donna Potter and Corey Nieman will present an 6 week biblical study on the **Growing with God**. Wherein we will discuss how to better be a disciple of Christ, while becoming a disciple-maker ourselves. Exact dates and times to be announced. Please call 716-464-3681 for more details.

**Starting Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am– 4:30pm :** we meet at IHNO for 4 consecutive Saturdays (9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>) to run a NYS-approved **Addiction Recovery Coach Academy** which will give you the accreditation you need to enter into the field of Recovery Coaching. IHNO is a certified Trainer of the class and invites anyone who is interested in working with those in recovery, or if already in that field and you need Continuing Education Credits for the year. The cost is \$450 (includes the training manual), **Register before January 1<sup>st</sup>** at [www.InHisNameOutreach.org](http://www.InHisNameOutreach.org) to receive \$50 off your registration.

**Saturday January 16th and Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> from 9am-4pm** we are hosting a workshop called **Bringing Baby Home** -1<sup>st</sup> of two Couple's Workshops presented by Certified J. Gottman Facilitator, Jennifer Kavanaugh. This workshop prepares couples who are expecting or have a newborn at home with what to expect and how to be the best parenting team possible. Couples can bring babies up to a year old. Cost is \$350/couple for the two day workshop. Register before January 1<sup>st</sup> for \$50 off.

### February:

**On Friday February 12<sup>th</sup> at Benders,** Dr. Donna and IHNO's new Biblical Counselor Corey Nieman will be presenting a "**He said, She said**" **Relationship Seminar** reviewing the male and female perspectives in relationships, and the biblical unity of them both through out scripture. Free to the public!

**On Saturday February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> at IHNO,** the 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop to the John Gottman Series for Couples called **Seven Principles of Making Marriages Work** will be presented by Certified facilitator Jennifer Kavanaugh. This workshop teaches relationship-enhancing exercises to train their marriage towards longevity. The cost is \$200/couple, \$50 off if registered by January 30<sup>th</sup>.

**On Saturday February 20<sup>th</sup> at Benders,** with the help of Linda Penn, we were asked to present our successful **Freedom to Forgive Seminar**; details will be released in January. This Seminar sets us free from the sin of others, and replaces it with the freedom of God. Various testimonies, music, and teachings from the Bible to encompass that which will release us from the chains of un-forgiveness.

### March:

**Starting Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at IHNO, Presents: "S.O.S.- Surviving Our Suffering",** 4 week workshop meeting every Monday, continuing on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30pm-8:30pm. This training is designed to help us transition our suffering into submission so we might better experience Christ's redemptive transformation in our lives. Corey Nieman, one of IHNO's Biblical Counselors, will be presenting this perspective-changing biblical teaching. Cost is \$20 per person and will include materials and light refreshment. Register by calling IHNO at 716-464-3681 by March 1<sup>st</sup>, as seating is limited.  
(*Monthly S.O.S. Support Group at IHNO the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month, starting April 4<sup>th</sup>*)

## In His Name Outreach....

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Phone: 716-464-3681

### Visit us on the web:

[inhisnameoutreach.org](http://inhisnameoutreach.org)

**Applying Biblical Principles to Every Day Life Issues—No matter where you are God will meet you there**

In His Name Outreach is a non-profit Christian non-denominational professional counseling center and resource for individuals, groups, churches, and the community by offering affordable services such as counseling, coaching, addiction recovery, seminars, and support groups who may be looking for direction, guidance, tools, and encouragement to properly navigate in the world of today.



## SERVICES

### How can we help you?

**Counseling:** Marriage & Pre-Marital, Mediation, Adult & Adolescent

**Life Coaching:** Personal & Professional Development

**Addiction Recovery:** Counseling, Life Coaching, Support Groups & Resources

**Family Services:** Parent and Child Counseling (Nurtured Heart Approach)

**Seminars:** ½ day, 1 day, or 2 day Seminars, Topic Focused, Tools Provided

**Workshops:** 6-8 week sessions, Time and Topic centered

**Church Support:** On or Off-Site Resource for all Services Offered

### What Topics can we help You, Your Family, or Your Church with?

**Assisting the Aging** (from Home Care to Assisted Living)

**Finding Your Faith** (From Test to Testimony)

**Personal Recovery Addicted Youth (PRAY)** (For Ages 21 and under affected by Substance Abuse)

**Healing Of People Entangled (HOPE)** (Family of children who have Substance Abuse issues)

**Leadership Development** (Creative Communication for your Circle of Influence, work or personal)

**Marriage** (Strengthening the Future Now-Couples Recovery)

**Materialism** (From Shop-a-holic to Selfless Servant-Turn Coveting into Content)

**Parenting** (From Melt downs to Melt in your hands-How to love and set healthy boundaries)

**Personal Growth** (Overcoming barriers: How to set a goal and keep it? A 4 Step Strategy for Living)

**Self-Worth** (Self-Discovery through personality, values and spiritual gift assessments)

**Single Living** (Overcoming Barriers and Behaviors of a fallen world)

**Trauma Care and Crisis Response** (Treating Trauma before it treats you with PTSD)

**Body Wellness** (How to eat and treat your way to a better you-The Temple of the Treated)

**Mental Wellness** (The Science behind Stress, The Power of Prayer and being Positive)

**Finances** (How to make a budget and get out of debt, effective money managing)

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