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Updates

Dear Men,

December 1, 2006

I trust you had a Happy Thanksgiving and are looking forward to the Christmas Season! *The King's Men* (TKM) apostolate has much to be thankful as the month of November was our busiest month of outreach to men to date.

TKM began the month rolling as Wednesday November 1st brought with it the third installment of "The No More Porn Tour". TKM united over 20 men and women for an evening of outreach to the patrons of Adult World located at Rtes 202 and 309 in Montgomeryville, PA. TKM in partnership with Live Offensively for God Ministries gave powerful witness to the lie of pornography to the many motorists passing through this busy intersection. Amazingly, we observed our protest having a direct effect on the patrons as two men actually turned away from the doors at our request. The response was so positive that TKM has decided to be a weekly presence at this porn shop with the exception of our first Wednesday of the month No More Porn Tour outreach. Please log onto www.thekingsmen.us for further details about the tour's future stops.

Saturday November 4th gave TKM an opportunity to conduct our first Day of Recollection for men at SS. Peter & Paul Church in West Chester, PA. Co-Founder Damian Wargo and I facilitated and delivered a series of talks and discussion groups for 15 men of the parish. Father Stephen DeLacey, Parochial Vicar at the church also gave an insightful talk on Saint Joseph during this powerful day for men.

Sunday November 5th was TKM's 2nd Quarterly Conference for men. This event was co-sponsored with Living Bridges and featured Dr. Ed Hastings, Director of the Sports and Spirituality Center at Neumann College, Jimmy Murray, co-founder of The Ronald McDonald House and former GM of the Philadelphia Eagles and celebration of the Holy Eucharist. This afternoon conference united and built up 75 men from New York and Pennsylvania. If you would like a copy of Jimmy Murray's great witness talk on CD, please contact me at 267-980-5507 or email mark@thekingsmen.us.

The WAR ROOM reconvened on Saturday morning November 11th. At this meeting, 7 courageous men continued to strategize on how to combat pornography in PA. We have decided to take on the franchise of 7-11 since the majority of us found that these stores contained the largest amount of soft-pornographic magazines. These magazines are "gateway mags" since they serve to only wet the appetite for hard-core pornography. For more information about the WAR ROOM please go to our website.

Finally, the Holy Spirit continues to move pastor's hearts and open doors to TKM. I had the privilege of sharing our vision and mission with hundreds of parishioners at St. Rita's in South Philadelphia on Saturday November 10th and 11th. And TKM's 3rd REAL MEN group has begun at St. Maria Goretti Church in Hatfield, PA. These meetings will take place every Wednesday in the parish Center from 7-9 PM.

Gratefully Yours,
Mark Houck