

Hello Friends,

Welcome to Spring! I can't believe it's April. This year, April means one of the best days of the year: Easter! Then it means I get another year older (actually, that's on the same day as Easter this year!), and then the NFL draft a few days later (YAY!). I hope my Broncos draft a stud RB; we really need one!

I can't believe we are already halfway through Mantour 2025! The first four flew by! In last month's newsletter, I told you about the first of the four at our South West PA Mantour, so let's jump into the other three March Mantours!

Our second Mantour was in Trucksville, PA, for the Northeast Pa Mantour. Once again, it was snowing (some men faced whiteout conditions on their way to the tour). Thankfully, they persevered through (being unbreakable men), and we had a record turnout for that section. Once again, we were

hosted by Pastor Ray Petts and his team at Harvest Church. They went above and beyond in their partnership, providing an amazing facility, fabulous volunteers, and an incredible worship team.

One fun thing about this section is that it always comes up with a great idea to complement the Mantour theme. This year's idea came from Pastor Ken Claflin, who called me a few months before the event and said, "What do you think about me doing a boxing exhibition?" After hearing the details (and the signing of a liability waiver lol), I was in!

I don't think I'll ever forget watching Pastor Ken and a young man from his church having a match while the band played "Eye of the Tiger" in the background. If you haven't seen the video, check it out on Mantour Ministries Youtube. It was really fun!





Of course, that was just the cherry on top of the sundae. The heart of the Mantour came from the

messages shared by Jeff Marshall, John Lanza, and Scott Carver. These men have spoken at Mantours many times, and I'm always so thankful for their relatability, their vulnerability, and the inspiring challenges they bring to the men. Most importantly, we had 7 men come to know Jesus as their Savior at this event. After each message, men flooded the altar to respond to the Holy Spirit's call. It was a fantastic day.



The next weekend, we were at Celebration Church in Dillsburg, Pennsylvania, for the Central Pennsylvania Mantour Conference. Thankfully, it did not snow—finally!

Like Southwest PA, this was our first time holding a Mantour at Celebration Church. Continuing the streak, they were incredible hosts. We appreciate Pastor Mike Hammer and his team so much.



We also had some extraordinary speakers at this event. Opening up round one was Pastor Tony Cruz, who encouraged men to get up off the mat and do whatever it takes to be the men God called them to be. After that, in round two, Pastor Aaron McNatt discussed the challenge of pornography and sexual sin and gave practical tips for how men can stand unbreakable against these sins in his session, "Hitting Below the Belt." Finally, Pastor Jason Tourville spoke in the final round about continuing to run the race until the end. Reminding everyone that the fight continues until the rapture or God calls us home, he challenged the men never to give up and be unbreakable men. It was a fantastic day where men responded

to the Holy Spirit's call, prayed for each other, and committed to being the men God called them to be.

Another exciting part of this Mantour was that men from Teen Challenge in Baltimore and Restart Ministries in Lancaster joined us as our guests. This is one of my favorite parts of Mantours—that we can invite men from Teen Challenge Centers, homeless shelters, or local rehab centers to join us free of charge. Because of your generous partnership, we are also able to send each man home with a copy of the **Unbreakable** book and the **Unbreakable Bible Plan**. Whether it was these men in Central PA, the men from the Salvation Army who joined us in Scranton, or the men from various Teen Challenge Centers who are planning on joining us for future events, I love that we are able to include these men, to encourage them, and let them know that we are all pulling for them to get off the mat and become unbreakable men of God.

What I really, really love is when men come up to me at a Mantour and say, "I came here with a Teen Challenge Center years ago, and now I'm through the program, serving Jesus and here with my

local church." That's a testimony!! Thank you for allowing us to do this in Central PA and wherever Mantours go. We couldn't do this without you!

After Central PA, our next Mantour was the East Central PA Mantour in Hamburg, PA. Adessa and I were excited as we drove out to The Bridge Church to set up for the conference on Thursday. Then, the worst thing that can happen during Mantour season happened—I got sick. Really sick. I barely got out of bed the Friday before the event, and there was a lot of discussion about whether I would be able to go the next day. Of course, we weren't going to cancel, and I knew Adessa could manage the event, but I really wanted to go. Friday night, when Adessa asked me what I planned to do, I said, "The theme is Unbreakable—I'm not letting this stop me. I'm going. I'll stay in a classroom away from people—but I'm doing what I need to do to lead the event."

Thankfully, God helped me, and I was able to make it through the day before crashing back into bed with the flu. (It was not my plan for Mantour season, but I'm glad it happened while I had a week off!).

Other than that, the East Central Mantour was incredible. We had record attendance at the event, and several new churches joined us. Most importantly, three men came to know Jesus as their Savior—party in Heaven!!! Again, men flooded the altars to respond to the powerful messages of Greg Hubbard and Pastor Eric Goldsborough. During the second session, men broke up into groups to discuss strategies for overcoming pornography and sexual temptation in the "Hitting Below the Belt" session with Tom Rees. Once again, it was an amazing tour with incredible speakers, challenging messages, and enthusiastic responses.

This has truly been the story of each Mantour Conference we've had this year—they've been incredible, amazing, phenomenal—the best year ever. We have sold out of books at every event this year. Men have been so engaged! If we haven't been to your area yet, you do not want to miss your local Mantour. The Holy Spirit is moving in powerful ways; if you come expecting, you will not be disappointed.

As always, I want to take a moment and say, "Thank you so much" to all of you who partner with Mantour Ministries. Because of you, we

can hold conferences, write books, see men saved, and lives changed for the glory of God. Thank you for your partnership, friendship, and prayers during this season. Your investment is making a difference in God's kingdom. Thank you so much!

If you aren't a monthly supporter...WHY NOT?!? Don't wait another minute to support this amazing ministry that is impacting men with the gospel! What better time to become a monthly partner than during Mantour season? Together, we can make an unstoppable difference! Don't miss out—join us today!

As we continue through 2025, we are actively pursuing **20 new supporters**—churches, individuals, or businesses—to commit to our mission at just **\$100 a month**. This is not simply a financial contribution; it's a decisive step in building a community dedicated to transforming lives. We invite you to accept this challenge. Your support will be a key driver of significant change, and together, we will make a profound impact. Let's take action and create the future we envision!

Act NOW to set up your recurring support by scanning the QR code above or visiting https://giving.ag.org/donate/700001-428363.

Thank you in advance for joining the team.

Another significant way you can help this ministry is through prayer. We value your prayers so much! This month, please pray for:

- 1. Health and endurance as we finish the remaining Mantours.
- 2. Men to continue turning out in record numbers and that their lives are impacted greatly at the altar.
- 3. For new monthly supporters to sustain this ministry financially. Our growth is out-growing our finances, we need more monthly supporters!
- 4. Please pray for God to reveal to me what the theme is that He wants for the 2026 Mantours.

We cannot do what we do without both your financial support and prayers. So thank you for both!

If you want to see more pictures of the Mantour Conferences, go to Mantour Ministries Facebook page. Have a great month!

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