



FAMILY SHIELD MINISTRIES



Take up the shield of faith (Eph. 6:16)

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Dear Family Shield Friend,

Thank you for sharing your time, talents, and treasures with us! You are special and we appreciate your prayers and support!

Family Shield Ministries educational and evangelism services include: the radio program and podcast, the follow up services, the Counter Cult Ministry, our mentoring-missionary work, educational programs and resources that reach, equip, and transform thousands of people who hear the gospel of Christ.

During our strategic planning process, we changed our vision and mission statement. One conclusion from the planning process was that to impact individuals and transform them and their families, we need to do more one-on-one mentoring and training for those we serve, especially those who are unchurched or do not yet know Christ.

Family Shield's Mentoring-Missionary Program

During the pandemic, our mentoring process has been successful in equipping people to grow in faith. To best explain how our mission focus is carried out, please allow me to share with you an example of our ministry in action.

Jeanette is one of the mothers we mentored by phone for some months during the pandemic. She was referred to us by Rev. Eric Andrae, an LCMS pastor in Pittsburgh who knew about Family Shield's work in helping families whose children are involved in cults. Her daughter, Jasmine, was involved in a controlling cult. Jeanette, herself, didn't understand much about Christianity when we first spoke with her, but she wanted to learn more and help her daughter. We shared the saving Gospel message and continued to pray with her and for her. She had gone through trauma in her life. We prayed with her about this and asked the Lord to heal her and help her let go of her anger. The second time we spoke, she was calm and very interested in learning more about God and His Word. God answered our prayer. She was amazed when we explained that she was saved by faith alone in Christ. She had never heard this before. She asked us to share Bible verses about this topic. We did. She grew in faith, completed several Bible studies with us, and listened to Family Shield radio programs/podcasts we recommended. She began doing a daily devotion with her daughter and they read the Bible together. We remain in contact with Jeanette.

Jeanette's daughter, Jasmine, became very depressed in 2020. In 2021, she realized she had been involved with a cult and needed help. Jasmine contacted Family Shield Ministries and asked for our help. She now knew the cult taught false biblical beliefs. She was concerned that, because of their false teachings, she may not really be a Christian. She asked that we help mentor her and help her grow in faith. We said, "YES!"

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A Family Shield Ministry mentor met weekly by phone with Jasmine who shared that she carried a lot of guilt because of her past sins. She said, "They (the cult organizational leaders) told us that if we confessed our sins, but then sinned again, we were not really sorry and we were not forgiven." She said they taught her she could stop sinning. Many times, her Family Shield mentor talked with her about why Jesus suffered and died for us and that he died for ALL our sins. They discussed how we cannot be perfect or without sin and read Romans 1:8, "There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Jasmine's mentor asked her to listen to a few of our podcasts, including "It's All About Jesus" and "Learning about God and His Word." She did several Bible studies with us. Last time Jasmine spoke with us, she said, "I feel so much better. I feel content for the first time in so long! I was living in fear every day because of what they had taught me. Now I know Jesus loves me and will forgive me when I confess my sins. Thank you so much!"

Please join us in praying for those who contact us and our work in the ripe and plentiful harvest.

Prayer prompts to help us move mountains! Join us in praying:

- That the Lord would bless our Board members and especially the new Board members: Rev. Dr. Donald Johnson and Rev. Alexander Schrader.
- That the financial support needed to continue the radio ministry, podcast and the Counter Cult Ministry continue to be available.
- That we can raise the needed financial support to expand the mentoring-missionary work and to hire a qualified development director.

Your prayers and support are so important! Your gift of \$2,000, \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$100, \$50 or \$ ____ on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis allow us to proclaim the saving Gospel message and reach individuals and their families for Christ. Thank you again for your support!

May our Savior continue to bless and keep you and your family in His care.

In His Service and yours,



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