

December Newsletter

2024 Year In Review

2024 is coming to a close, and Kevin Phillips and I want to thank everyone who has been a part of what we are doing here at Encouragement Now Ministries. The donors, volunteers, and churches have been instrumental in helping us continue the mission of bringing Biblically-based, mental health to individuals, families, and churches, and we are not done! Here are a few things we were able to accomplish this year and let you in on great things in store for us in 2025.

Our Peer Specialist Training Course was available to individuals who are called to be counselors. The course is administered and completed at the pace of the student, and each week's sessions are reviewed and assessed to help the students understanding. We had 3 people complete the Peer Specialist Training, and they are continuing to work towards their Certified Christian Counselor Training. Kevin and I have plans, in 2025, to convert other parts of the CCC Training the same as the Peer Specialist courses.

This year we started reaching out to partner with churches. God has placed the local churches and pastors on our hearts to help minister to them and their members. Our first event in April produced fruitful relationships with churches in York County, SC and Murrells Inlet, SC. Today we have working relationships with churches in both North and South Carolina, and God opened up the door to reach even more. We were blessed and honored to be asked by the 2024 Charlotte Crusade to be the counseling team for the crusade. Jennifer Corall joined our team this year and is helping us to reach the churches in the Charlotte, NC area. Please pray that God will open up doors for us to partner with and minister to the Church.

A big highlight of our year was the launch of the Encouragement Now Podcast. God placed this idea on Kevin and my heart individually the idea of having a podcast to help others who are in need of help. We had batted the idea around for a while, but it was always on the backburner to other projects. In early 2024 God brought the nudge we needed to make it a reality. Laura Dahne was talking with Kevin, and she also had the idea on her heart. Together we put the project in motion with ideas and intention.



With Love from Kevin Phillips
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Kevin Phillips' love for people's hearts and minds has moved him to launch Encouragement Now Ministries and Encouragement Now Counseling University.

Encouragement Now Ministries has served clients in over 60 countries including Egypt, China, Iraq, Ukraine, Ethiopia, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Canada, Turkey, Jordan, Spain, Morocco, Brazil, Pakistan, India & UAE.

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ENCOURAGEMENT NOW PODCAST

We have a Podcast that can help you understand life through the lens of the Bible. Here is a list of episodes that we have for you to explore:

Episode 001: Happiness

Episode 002: Renewing Your Mind

Episode 003: Grace – Part 1

Episode 004: Grace – Part 2

Episode 005: Worry & Anxiety – Part 1

Episode 006: Worry & Anxiety – Part 2

Episode 007: Grief & Loss

Episode 008: Complaining

Episode 009: Introducing Boundaries

Episode 010: Distractions – Part 1

Episode 011: Distractions – Part 2

Episode 012: Biblical Separation – Pt 1

Episode 013: Biblical Separation – Pt 2

Episode 014: Biblical Separation – Pt 3

Episode 015: Separated With No Hope

Episode 016: God's Word—Pt 1

Episode 017: God's Word—Pt 2

Episode 018: God's Word—Pt 3

Episode 019: The Power Of The
Tongue

Episode 020: Repressed Emotions

Episode 021: Purpose – Pt 1

Episode 022: Purpose—Pt 2

Today we have 27 episodes (with new ones coming out weekly), and it has been a great addition and blessing to our ministry. I highly encourage you to listen and pass on to your friends and family. It has been a blessing to my life, and I know it will be a blessing to you.

So, what does 2025 look like? Here is a sneak peek into what we have in store:

First we going to start up Encouragement Now Roundtables. The roundtables are going to be open to anyone who wants to know what we are up to and how they can help us. Our first will be in January 2025, so keep your eye out for our announcement.

Second, Jennifer Corall and other volunteers have secured a date and location for our first annual golf tournament. It will be held on May 27th during Mental Health Awareness Month.

Third, we need ministry partners. Our ministry is growing, and we are excited to see what God is doing. Partners will help us continue in our mission to help change lives. Please go to the bottom of our Partner Page and fill out the form. We would love to meet with you.

Thank you again for encouraging, volunteering, praying, and giving to our ministry. We cannot do this alone. Together, with God's help, we can help change lives. I pray that God will bless and lead you through the Christmas season and into 2025.

Blessings,

Joseph Ferreira - VP of Operations & Donor Relations