

ATLAS For Life

Attaining Truth, Love and Self Control

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DIRECTOR'S THOUGHTS



Thank you Friends of the ministry!

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding." -

Proverbs 3:5

This verse has been foundational for me during my time as Director of ATLAS. I knew when I began, that there was an amazing team of staff, board members, and volunteers who were going to walk alongside me, pray for me, and point me to Truth when I needed discernment and wisdom. I knew that personal time in prayer and praying "together" was at the forefront of this ministry. I knew it was a "team" that first went to the Lord and then He helped us to do what He called us to do. It was hard at times to trust when we walked alongside someone, and it seemed not to bear fruit. It was hard when the bills were bigger than the deposits. It was hard not to "rescue" when you wanted to do more to help someone, yet to maintain boundaries. God taught me so much through prayer and His Word and many of you prayed and "stepped up" in ways only God knew. Thank you, Thank you!

This past August I knew that God was showing me that someone else would be stepping in as director. It came after our Celebration Picnic (you can watch this on our website). I was driving home and praising Him for what amazing testimonies I had heard from several who had been mentored. It was a beautiful time of giving thanks for how great a God we serve!! Suddenly, I clearly heard in my heart, "You can step away from being the director."

I did not expect that after just celebrating all that God had done. I never imagined being in the position of director at ATLAS, but I knew 9 years ago I was supposed to TRUST Him and say "yes." I also knew that someone had come on "team" who was so gifted and was a perfect fit for being the next director. I saw her heart, a heart that loves so well! A heart that loves God first and wants to be obedient in serving Him.

I am so grateful that God brought Jess Bosma as a volunteer for three years, then as a staff member for over a year to watch how God led and blessed the ministry. She, too, would be the first to say "I can't do this!" Nevertheless, we know that "Those He calls, He also equips." And the beautiful part: He provides exactly the right people to walk alongside us to do what we need to do. That summarizes what we do at ATLAS day after day: "walking alongside, praying and pointing to Jesus, our ONLY HOPE in life and in death."

Personally, I want to thank the board, staff, and others for the counsel and support I have received as Director at ATLAS. I felt very ill-equipped so often and wondered why God led me into this position. God is so faithful. He provided all that I needed each step of the way. **Please welcome Jess! Please pray and bless her as you have me.** I am grateful to remain on staff as part of the team.

Grateful and excited for this next season at ATLAS,
Roxie Mulder

**"Stay tuned: Our next newsletter will highlight
Jess' journey that led her to ATLAS."**



In all of this, without YOUR generous donations and support in prayer, none of this would be possible! THANK YOU!!! May God bless

Let's Connect

A New Ministry!

"Let's Connect" is an opportunity to meet at **Pipestone Area Schools** with middle and high school girls. Each Thursday, they are invited to grab their lunch & gather for a time of positive interaction. "We are thoroughly enjoying our time together and have been able to build relationships and provide encouragement to these amazing girls. It's hard to tell who is having more fun, the girls or us! We are so grateful to PAS for this collaboration!"

~Jess Bosma & Toni Cunningham

"BAIT OF SATAN" BIBLE STUDY

Are you compelled to tell your side of the story? Do you fight thoughts of suspicion or distrust? Do you rehearse past hurts? . . . All because someone has offended you?

The Bible shows us how to escape Satan's grip, practice forgiveness, experience reconciliation, and remain free in Christ.

Thursday afternoons 1:30-3:00.
Call ATLAS office at 507-562-5777



Spring Is Coming!!! ATLAS is having their Annual Spring Rummage

Sale on Saturday, April 29th from 9 am - 3 pm

We are looking for gently used household items, home decor & odds and ends. **(No clothes or furniture please)**. Your donations can be dropped off at ATLAS on Tuesdays and

Thursdays between 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Deadline April 25th) or call Roxie Mulder to pick up at 507-227-0905.

Thank you for your generous donations! Last fall God blessed us *immensely* through the sale of many items. Praying BIG to a faithful and BIG God!

CAR MINISTRY

God continues to bless the car ministry with donations, vehicles, and recently with a mechanic who has volunteered to help work on the cars. We have been able to bless families with needed transportation. Thank you for your prayers, monetary donations, cars, and words of encouragement.



BUDGETING CLASS

Help is always available. You can attend the current Class, and Ron Moffit will help you catch up or call ATLAS to sign up for the next session or for one-on-one budgeting guidance.

Call 507-562-5777 for more information.



FINAL WEEKEND FOR "SPIRIT LIFE ENCOUNTER"

We are grateful to the amazing team who has traveled to Pipestone to provide this vital teaching. They are wrapping up and many have been blessed and encouraged by attending. This weekend will focus on application of what has been learned and how to be the hands and feet of Jesus with the unique gifts and tools He has given each of us. This will be held at ATLAS for Life on **Friday, March 24th (6-9 p.m.) and Saturday, March 25th (9 am – 3 pm)**. Please eat before coming on Friday evening. On Saturday, a morning snack and lunch will be provided. Space is limited! It is **IMPORTANT** to call ATLAS to let us know if you will be able to join us!

COMMUNITY IMPACT NIGHT AT THE PIZZA RANCH

Pizza Ranch Fundraiser: Wednesday, March 29th, 5:00-8:00 PM. Come out and enjoy a great meal while supporting ATLAS for Life! We have been asked to share that, unfortunately, due to a new computer system, donations through tips can no longer be given through credit or debit cards; only through cash or check. It's those tips that make a big difference!

We look forward to seeing you there!



Are YOU looking for a place to connect?

GATHERING PLACE BIBLE STUDY

is a place for women to connect with other women to enjoy fellowship and a study of God's Word. Our group meets on Tuesdays at 1:15 pm at The Gathering Place at the ATLAS building. We invite you to join us! Call 507-562-5777 with any questions.