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Updates

Dear Men,

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Happy Feast of All Saints Day! As we remember those who “have won the race” and pray for those who are still in need of our prayers, I want you to know that Damian and I are praying for you and your family daily. *The King's Men* (TKM) have much to update you on as we enter our third month of full time outreach to men.

TKM has officially moved into our new office in Bucks County. Our address is 347 New Street, Suite 116, Quakertown, PA 18951. I invite you to come by if you are ever in the area to see our new “digs” and how your investment in this exciting new lay men’s apostolate is being put to good use.

The REAL MEN Accountability and Formation Groups are growing! During the month of October, TKM met with Father Peterson, Pastor of Saint Maria Goretti Parish in Hatfield, and I am excited to tell you that a REAL MEN group will be starting at this parish in mid-November. I also met with the pastoral council at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Southampton to discuss plans of forming a men’s group there possibly in the New Year. I was privileged to have a chance meeting with Father Kindon, Pastor of Saint Martin of Tours Parish in New Hope, and he is very interested in offering the TKM program to the men of his parish.

The second installment of “The No More Porn Tour” was once again very successful! TKM took the tour to Northeast Philadelphia on Wednesday October 4th. The reception that we received at the busy intersection of Welsh Road and the Boulevard was overwhelming. The location proved to be ideal for raising public awareness and educating the community about the dangers of pornography. TKM brought together 14 porn protestors (13 men and 1 woman). These courageous protestors gave out over 300 pieces of literature and powerfully witnessed to the truth about this multi-billion dollar industry that is damaging our families, destroying our marriages and hurting our children!

“The War Room” is now open to all men interested in strategizing and using their God given talents to combat the evil of pornography. At 8:00 am Saturday October 14th, seven men gathered at St. John the Evangelist Church to discuss how we as men can take back control of our communities and protect our children. Damian Wargo and I led these men through an interactive discussion and analysis of the present problem of pornography in Philadelphia. After briefing the men on the current legislation addressing pornography in PA (3 existing laws), we decided on a course of action. Each man was assigned to scout a specific area in Philadelphia and report at our next meeting, November 11th, the convenient stores that sell pornography and those that do not. TKM will invite these stores to cease and desist in this practice. If they fail to comply, TKM will alert the community and encourage patronage to stores that do not sell pornography.

Gratefully Yours,

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Co-Founder/President