

# NED MEN'S MINISTRY

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## GREATFUL

This past month the men of the Southside Alliance Church (Elmira, NY) graciously invited the men of Waverly C&MA (Waverly, NY) to join them for their monthly Men's breakfast and devotional. Everyone agreed – it was a great time!

Men from both churches, about a dozen total, were able to meet other brothers-in-Christ to both encourage and be encouraged by a video devotional by Max Lucado and the open conversation at the tables. I can't encourage you enough to partner similar ministries with

your neighboring Alliance churches; we are better together.

We discussed the acts of prayer in Max's way of breaking down the A.C.T.S. of prayer (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving and Supplication) from the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6; Luke 11).

This month, as I've looked back over an incredible year in our lives and church, I can see those moments surrounded by all four of the A.C.T.S. and I want to encourage you to do the same as well.

Let's take at least five to ten minutes daily to do those faith-filled things that allow you to Adore our God in and through them (slow down and see His Creation, have conversations and prayer with others, random acts of kindness, etc.). Confess your inabilities and reservations to Him. Offer God your genuine Thanksgiving for all that He has, is and will be accomplishing. Offer prayers of Supplication that others may know God like this as well.

As we have been studying the Old Testament pretty seriously here in Waverly, we're learning to offer all of the sacrifices required in Leviticus; including the sacrifices of thanksgiving and fellowship with God. It is through these that we not only express our need for saving and cleansing from sin, but our gratitude for Him doing on our behalf.

Have a blessed holiday season!

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