

# CELEBRATING

### FAMILIES SERVED TOTAL SINCE 2012

Summer 2025

## **Mission Update**

As I write this summer update, my heart is full of gratitude and anticipation. It's hard to believe a full year has passed since I stepped into the role of Executive Director at Ashes to Glory Foundation. This past year has been one of awe and humility as I've witnessed God move powerfully through your generosity to do what only He can—bring healing, redemption, and hope to the brokenhearted.

Behind the scenes, we've made significant strides—launching a new website, modernizing our financial systems, enhancing cybersecurity, refining our brand, and expanding our board for greater accountability. Yet through it all, our mission has remained unchanged and more urgent than ever: to help families access clinically sound, Christ-centered treatment for addiction and trauma. And by God's grace, that mission is gaining momentum.

In June, we reached a remarkable milestone: Ashes to Glory helped our 500th family! That's 500 families across 47 states and provinces who have received access to life-changing care because of your support. Over \$12 million in scholarships have been awarded each dollar a lifeline, each number a person with a story, each story a testimony of God's mercy and your faithfulness. I received the following note from a grateful mom today:

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Ashes to Glory was the domino that gave us the courage to move forward and trust God for the rest. Our whole family is now on a new path. I'm speechless. What we have experienced has been life-altering. This is so much more than money. This is God's Kingdom coming on earth in our family.

Ashes to Glory started as a God-inspired vision my parents had to help families access and afford the same kind of Christ-centered, clinically excellent care that transformed our entire family. They weren't sure how it would happen, but God did, and He sure has been faithful!

### So far this year:

- Applications are up 33%
- Families helped are up 53%

#### Among the individuals helped this year:

- 41% were under the age of 18
- 24% were navigating adoption trauma
- 15% were female, 85% were male

These statistics represent far more than numbers—they are modern-day rescue stories. Like the faithful friends in Mark 2 who tore through a roof to bring a paralyzed man to Jesus, you are doing the same for families paralyzed by addiction, shame, and hopelessness. Your generosity lifts them up and lays them at the feet of the Healer.

Looking ahead, God has stirred a deeper burden in my heart—one that reaches beyond treatment access and into the heart of the Church. I believe He is calling us to help the Body of Christ engage addiction and trauma with honesty, compassion, and courage. These aren't distant issues; they're spiritual battles unfolding in our homes, our pews, and our own hearts. My hope is that Ashes to Glory will not only continue bridging the gap to treatment, but also become a voice that helps the Church speak more freely, tenderly, and boldly about brokenness—and the Gospel that heals it.

Thank you for being part of this redemptive mission. You are not just donors; you are roof-tearers, image-restorers, and Gospel-advancers. You are the Kingdom of God at work, and our work is only possible because of your obedience, generosity, and faith.



Brandon Bahr

### As our mission expands, so does our team!

In June, we welcomed Amber Prevo (Bloomington, IL) to the Ashes to Glory Foundation team! Amber serves part-time as our Family Scholarship Intake Coordinator and is the primary point of contact for families throughout the application process and beyond. She has already become an invaluable part of our ministry—walking alongside families as they begin their journey toward healing and restoration. Amber has been married for 20 years and has 5 children. A few additional facts about Amber are:



#### Why did you join Ashes to Glory?

"I joined Ashes to Glory Foundation because I believe deeply in its mission and the need for it. We live in an increasingly messy world. Being able to be a small part of lasting and foundational change on individuals, families, and communities feels like a gift. In my short time here, I have already seen how some families could never bridge the financial gaps that exist to attend quality facilities without ATG. Even more so? I have also already seen how being able to go to these places truly transforms lives. The photos and testimonies on the other side are so rewarding."

#### Favorite hobby/pastime?

"When I'm not at a kid's activity or sporting event? A long walk with someone I care about - whether that's my husband, kids, or a friend."

#### Impactful scripture verse?

Psalm 56:8-10 - "You keep track of all my sorrows. You have collected all my tears in your bottle. You have recorded each one in your book. My enemies will retreat when I call to you for help. This I know: God is on my side! I praise God for what he has promised; Yes, I praise the Lord for what he has promised."

### Ways to Pray

- Increased financial support as the need continually outweighs available funds, especially with the increase of applications.
- For the families currently in treatment. Pray that God would break down barriers and fill every aspect of the family with healing that can only come from Him.
- ATG Board Pray for wisdom and discernment as we prayerfully seek God's will for ATG.
- As ATG continues to grow, so will the number of staff. Pray that God will bring the right people at His timing.
- Our Executive Director, Brandon Bahr, will be conducting several speaking engagements this fall. Pray that God would be glorified and awareness made.
- Pray for ATG Admin Assistant, Samantha Bahr, as she and Brandon welcome child #3 in August. Pray for the transition at home, while also balancing the business side. Samantha handles all donation/accounting processing for ATG.

\*Ashes to Glory

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that we rely entirely on

the generous support of

individuals, churches, and

businesses. Thank you for

your continued support!

### **Notes From Families Helped**

"Thank you so much for the scholarship you provided for me and my family. Without Ashes to Glory, we wouldn't have had access to the immense healing we have received. I never could have imagined the kind of deep work I was able to do there until I showed up and realized it was real. I owe you my life. I feel like I've been given another chance at life, and I'm deeply grateful."

- A recent 20-year-old scholarship recipient graduate -

"Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. You saved our son. You saved our marriage. You saved our family. We are breaking the chains of generational trauma. We know we are not "fixed" and we know the hard work is just beginning, but thanks to Ashes to Glory, we have a real shot at a healthy future."

- Mother of the above graduate -

"She stopped wishing death on herself and learned coping skills... chose to be baptized... and now wants to become a therapist to help others who are going through hard situations like herself. She also wants to serve on mission trips. Please thank your donors. God bless!"

- Parents of a 16-year-old girl ATG helped -

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