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Another soldier goes home

A tribute to Rev. Paul Collins Dr. R.W. Bolois, executive director

Rev. Paul R. Collins, 72, went to be with our Lord on July 2, 2006 at Norton's Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky.

His funeral service was held at the New Destiny Treatment Center Chapel July 7, 2006. The chapel was filled to capacity with friends and family who loved Rev. Collins.

He lived a dynamic and interesting life. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1951 to 1954, and in the National Guard for two years.

Paul married his wife, Lillian, on August 14, 1955. They celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2005. He raised five daughters and was rewarded with 16 grandchildren and one great grandson.

Paul received a call to preach the Gospel shortly after his acceptance of Christ. He pastored five churches, three of which were in the Wesleyan Methodist Church, one independent, and one was Ohio Bible Methodist.

Paul was a charter member of the Ohio Bible Methodist Conference. His ministry took him in 1975 to Hobe Sound Bible College in Florida. He worked there until 1980.

Most of Paul's ministry was spent at the Barberton Rescue Mission, now New Destiny Treatment Center. He served here from 1973-75, returning in 1982 until 2005.

Paul had a God-inspired love and compassion for people who had lost their way in life. He worked untiringly with people whose addictions left them down and out. He always had time for men who wanted to find their way to the Lord.

I watched him in every aspect of life dealing with victims of sin. He showed them how to recover and put hope back in their lives. He was never satisfied with the status quo. He always wanted to make things better.

While Paul was executive director of the Barberton Rescue Mission, he wanted to men to be helped beyond being fed and housed. His desire was to start a treatment center and help men change their lives. In September 1993, the first classes opened for men seeking Christ-centered treatment from addiction. Paul never lost his burden or concern. Even after his retirement, when I asked him how things were going, he said that life was wonderful - but he missed working here.



Rev. Paul Collins, New Destiny Treatment Center Executive Director Emeritus, passed away July 2, 2006.

Under his direction the treatment center achieved state certification and expanded its facilities. These were tremendous undertakings, but Paul was up for the challenge.

He made sure that we would always be able to be ambassadors for Christ and show clients the way of the cross. He never wavered in his commitment to having a Christian treatment center.

The Rev. Paul Collins was my friend and Christian brother. I loved to

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Paul Collins: Leaving a giant legacy

Rev. Howard S. Russell, board chairman

Paul Collins became my friend, one of my very best friends, in 2002 after my family and I arrived in Ohio and I became executive director of the Christian Brotherhood Newsletter ministry and board chairman of the New Destiny Treatment Center.

My family would “stop the world” to be with Paul and his wife, Lillian. They were at the top of our list of favorites.



Rev. Collins congratulates a New Destiny graduate while board chairman Rev. Howard Russell looks on.

I have seen Rev. Collins’ passion for the ministry with which he was so involved. He lived and breathed to see the Barberton Rescue Mission, later renamed the New Destiny Treatment Center, go forward with Christ as its center. Any discussion

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hear him preach and pray. He was a unique individual and an institution all his own. He made a tremendous impact on my life and on the lives of thousands of others.

I will serve in such a way as to keep Paul’s trust and confidence in me that the New Destiny Treatment Center will remain Christ centered.

about its future included his determination that the cause of Christ would remain the foundation and structure.

It was wonderful to see the relationship Paul had with the treatment center’s clients. He was deeply loved by all of them. His entry into a room brought a chorus of greetings saturated with warmth and affection.

He could be stern when necessary, but his actions were always fair and well-meaning. He was not given to many winds of persuasion, only that Christ be glorified in everything done and said.

In recent years, Medicaid cutbacks on medical treatment payments put pressure on the ministry. Although it added greatly to his burden, Paul was not anxious or deterred. God, he would remind everyone, was in control.

He was highly revered on the campus even after he retired and moved to Kentucky. His presence brought an expectation and excitement that was a clear indication of his stature.

I routinely received many phone calls from Paul on a variety of subjects. He might be traveling across the country and call to just ask what I was doing. If either of us



Rev. Collins (right) converses with friends at the New Destiny graduation reception in May 2006.

couldn’t remember a name or a fact we would immediately call the other. I have many times missed that part of our relationship.

In my life and the life of my family he was a giant. A great blessing is that our sons got to know him. For me personally his passing leaves a very big hole.

I hope you will join me in committing to making sure that the legacy of Rev. Paul Collins will live on at New Destiny Treatment Center. Your generous donation in his memory will ensure that this ministry maintains its ability to show Christ to those who need Him most.

We encourage you to use the enclosed envelope to help keep the Rev. Paul Collins’ ministry alive and well.

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Paul Collins Memorial Fund

Rev. Lester Rowan, assistant director

Rev. Paul Collins was a very dear friend. We met 31 years ago when he worked at Hobe Sound Bible College in Florida and I was a student. He immediately impacted my life, and we had many great times of fellowship. Over the last 10 years I have been influenced more deeply as we worked together at the New Destiny Treatment Center.

I am thrilled that the Collins family and the administration of New Destiny has established a memorial fund to properly remember this faithful servant of Jesus Christ. I was deeply honored when Dr. Bolois asked if I could write a short article to inform our readers of the memorial fund.

Rev. Collins gave 20 years of his ministry to the Barberton Rescue Mission, later

renamed the New Destiny Treatment Center.

To provide a lasting memorial in his honor, the family and the New Destiny Treatment Center are creating a prayer garden on the treatment center campus. All donations that are properly designated will be used for this project.

When the prayer garden has been adequately funded, all additional funds received in memory of Rev. Collins will be used to accomplish other special projects. Our goal is to inform every client and visitor at the New Destiny Treatment Center regarding of the vital contributions that Paul made to this ministry and the kingdom of God.

Please join me in making a contribution to



the New Destiny Treatment Center in memory of one of God's chosen servants, Rev. Paul Collins. Thank you.

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