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**Polar Plunge** 

Saturday, February 18th at 10 am. MEC will be plunging into icy waters as part of the Forest Lake Rotary Winter Plunge—Getting Cold for a Cause. Spread awareness and raise fund for the ministry. Plunge or sponsor our plungers by going to the Rotary website www.forestlakerotary.com.

Welcome Angela Brandt as a new intern.



## **MEC Spotlight**

Dan Bradley reflects the Holy Spirit's transforming power. "I was involved in an outlaw biker lifestyle that included drugs, alcohol, violence and a host of other diabolical sins. By God's grace I met my wife and because she gave me a reason to live I checked myself into St. Mary's. As I came out of the fog I began to remember the things I had done and the people I had harmed. An overwhelming cloud of doom and remorse quickly became an intense oppression.

A friend's father visited, sharing 1 John 1:9 with an emphasis on "all unright-eousness" including anything I had done, would be forgiven. Later, alone in my room, I knelt on cold concrete to confess every sin I could think of and surrender my life to Jesus. Filled with a peace I had never known, I knew beyond a shadow of a doubt that I was a new man and by God's grace I was transformed.



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Rosengrens, Bruce, an MEC volunteer,
exposed Dan to the jail ministry, and Dan began volunteering at
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HCADC with Steve Benjamin, & James Mullen. Having a heart for those who, because of their limited options based on history of flipping burgers and no hope, were in danger of returning to their homies, Dan had a goal to "create a self-sustaining business which would funnel back into the ministry." He, Warren Schmaltzer, & David Luther, developed Room4U and the Lazarus mission, which provides housing and auto detailing employment for felons and those who need a new start. (www.lazarusautodetail.org)

Dan also ministers to those on the Cronin unit. He and Kristen Mier, minister to those in Anoka, who are in court ordered treatment. He recently shared two testimonies. A resident concerned about offending people with his health issue was going to go back to his room. Three brand new believers responded to him just as Jesus would have, by encouraging him to stay with them for the rest of the Christ based recovery Church service.

The next week when we entered the facility, two women were having a heated discussion. One of the young ladies told the other she was foolish for not believing the Bible, which resulted in a profane tirade. We all walked downstairs together and started the lesson comparing Lazarus coming out of the tomb to being delivered from our addictions. Near the end the one who had been offended because she didn't believe the Bible, asked if we could keep going a little longer. Praise the Lord for His mercy and His life changing work!

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