



# WT Walking Tall

Southern Oregon

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LIFE COACHING

FAITH-BASED MENTORSHIP

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES FOR JOB READINESS

AUTOMOTIVE WOODWORKING FABRICATING & WELDING SMALL ENGINE COMPUTER DESIGN CONSTRUCTION AND MORE

## Be Bold

There was a series of connections that led me to Walking Tall. First, I met a mentor and his wife in town, and he talked about WT, which seemed interesting, and then Jim at my church, talked about it. A few months later, I found out Quinton, a young man I know, was going, so I said, I've got to check this out. So now, as a mentor, I look forward to it every week. Initially, I started with the woodshop because of basic knowledge, but the mentors taught me much more. Walking Tall introduced the garden, and then I became the agricultural guy. Eventually, they will have a cooking program, and since I work as a chef in my profession, cooking is what I want to do. So, it will work well to incorporate gardening and cooking classes.

I just got back from a military drill, and that environment is challenging to be bold about my faith. I've been praying about overcoming worry, being judged, attacked, or singled out. There's never a time or place to shy away from talking about Christ. You never really know what people will say or how they will respond to the gospel, and when the right time for them might be.

There are so many things I'm grateful for because I was homeless and acting like a fool about five years ago. Now there are many people I care about; I have a good church where I like to serve in music, help people at their homes, and cook for them. With various forms of income, I'm living in a house and can be a part of Walking Tall. I've traveled to third-world countries and worked on farms, seeing how people live in much more humble circumstances, yet are excited about life. We have more to be thankful for, and yet we complain. All the things God did in my life that led me to become a Christian and seeing that from the other side gave me a lot of perspectives.

I'm thankful that WT exists and it's managed well. I appreciate how WT has helped me improve my communication skills with the young men, ensuring they understand everything taught. Relationships with the Mentors offer a lot of wisdom from different walks of life. It's another opportunity to be humbled and see where they come from, like someone sharing their testimony with everyone, it sheds light on what they may be going through because it's easy to assume everyone's doing great, and that's not always true. Even with all the skills we teach, I appreciate how Jesus Christ is the focus because Christ is ultimately more important than those things, and we can openly discuss Him. Primarily because our world is a touchy subject for many people, I appreciate that we can bring all those components together with Christ being the center. -Madison



Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold.

2 Corinthians 3:12

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