



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



IRON SHARPENS IRON

Mentor Jim and his wife Carol have two sons they adopted at birth and love very much! Their son Jerod is married to Jessica, and they have a 5-year-old daughter, Jim and Carol's only grandchild. Their youngest son is Travis. Jim and Carol enjoy RV travel and seek out hiking trails. They also care for Jim's parents, finding joy in spending time together and bonding over puzzles that bring laughter and connection.

He retired from Bi-Mart after 38 years of service. Prior to that, he worked at Safeway for about 10 years. In between these roles, he and his wife, Carol, ran a janitorial business. As an assistant manager at Bi-Mart, Jim occasionally led teams to open new store locations, assisting with the launch of nine stores throughout his career. Managing people and organizing tasks were essential parts of Jim's job, which he applies to support the Walking Tall program. He conducts machine tests with the young men and has established a board to track their progress visually. Additionally, he has helped in the woodshop with a couple of young men and painting horseshoe-designed fixtures with another in preparation for the upcoming Art in Bloom event in Medford, scheduled for Mother's Day weekend.

Jim states, "Being a part of Walking Tall has helped me grow in my faith. The research and communication among the mentors and some of the young men has been very gratifying, which helps me stay grounded in the word." He enjoys visiting with the young men during dinner and has appreciated getting to know them better. He also reconnected with Tom and is involved in the program's overall mission. He expresses gratitude for his time spent with everyone involved at Walking Tall.

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10

Thank you for your support and prayers!

*If you would like to partner with Walking Tall, please consider a one time donation or regular monthly donations to support and continue offering many skills to these young men. Thank you so much!
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