

1939

Baltimore - December 11, 1939 - Louis M. sends letter to the Alcoholic Foundation in New York and said: "I have read the book and asks for some one to get in touch with". "Reply" December 19, 1939, suggest to make a trip to Washington D.C. where we have a few members. And write to Ned F., c/o Civil Aeronautics Society, 512 Ninth St., Washington D.C., to arrange a meeting. Note: Ned F. got sober in New York in the Spring of 1939, got a job in Washington, moved there, and was to become founder of the Washington Group, along with Fitz M., ("Our Southern Friend"). - (\* 2)

1940

Baltimore - June 16, 1940 - Jim R. house on St. Paul Street. Attending were Jim R., Arthur H., Fred M., Mac S., and Jim B., from the Philadelphia A.A Group. The following Fridays our meetings were held at the 11<sup>th</sup>. Floor boardroom of the 1106 Munsey Building on Fayette Street. We continued there for about three months and then moved to the Altamont Hotel basement, Eutaw Street. We stayed there until March 1941 when we rented a second floor at 857 Eutaw Street as a club meeting hall. Among the members during those months were Anita H., Henry M., Bill S., A.C. E., Bill B., Norman B., Hal H., Ray N., C. E., and Paul K. Note: Jim B. started AA in Philadelphia on February 26, 1940, his story is in the Big Book "The Vicious Cycle" - (\* 2)

1945

August - **Baltimore Intergroup**. Started at the Bromo-Seltzer Tower, down town. 21 South Eutaw St. - (\*2)

1950

**Baltimore Intergroup Office**, 1834 St. Paul St., Baltimore, Md. - January 2<sup>nd</sup> 1950 - contact - Mulberry 4278 Edwin P. W., Abington, - Edgewood 53 J 12 - in January 1958 listed as Central Office, 1834 Saint Paul Street, Baltimore 2, Maryland, phone # MUIberry 5-6050 - 6051 - (\*1\*4)

1952

Maryland Membership is a total of 922 - 1952-1953 eastern united states directory - (\*1)

1956

Reisterstown - Fred A., - Westminster 1539 - 10 members - (\*1)

1957

Reisterstown - Joe M. - Mt. Wilson Sanitarium, Mt. Wilson - (Westminster 1539) - (\*1)

1958

Reisterstown - **Reisterstown Group** - Joe M. - Mt. Wilson Sanitarium, Mt. Wilson - Westminster 1539 (\*1)

Westminster - Early 1958 - **Westminster Group** - Bernie M., 18 Green St. - (\*1\*2) \_

Westminster - Late 1958 - **Westminster Group** - Grace Lutheran Church, 21 Carroll St., 21157 - 8:30pm - Monday - Closed - 7 members in the group. It was said; " before 1958 most of the AA members met in the Reisterstown and or Pikesville area but lived in Westminster area". The first AA Group in Carroll County met at the Grace Lutheran Church, 21 Carroll St., 21157. The founding members were Bernie M., Ed M., Jim D., and possibly others.

Bernie M. owned and operated a TV Repair shop on Green St., in Westminster. He may have had ties to a TV Repair shop and or the Intergroup in Frederick, Md. Bernie M. also twelve stepped Don W. in June 1961. Don W. became active in service for Maryland AA. Don W. was the conduit for us for the early conference structure. In the early 1960`s we had no Districts, no Area 29, no Group Service numbers. By 1963 Don W. was our only contact in Westminster for Maryland. Remember there was no District 9 or any other Districts. We had Maryland in which was made up of areas within the State. Don W. was one of two Committee Members to

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represent Western Maryland (11-16-63) the other one was Ed O`N. from Cumberland. The 4 areas in Maryland were Eastern Shore, Western Maryland, Southern Maryland, and Baltimore.

The first woman to come, stay sober, and get and stay active in the Group was Mary Anne O. from the Washington DC area in October 1963. Mary Ann sobriety date is October 22<sup>nd</sup> 1963 and she is 33 years old. A Doctor & a Lawyer wanted to know something about AA. When the members of the Group discussed this, it was decided to hold a open meeting, open to the public, invite anyone interested in AA. This was in 1964. At the group conscience meeting on Monday night the question came up, "whether to bring the outsiders to our regular meeting"? That is why it was decided to have a open meeting and on a different evening of the week. This meeting ( open meeting ) was to be held on a Saturday ( March 1964 ) evening. We are unsure why but, this was changed. The open meeting was held on ( the regular meeting night ) Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1964. It was listed in the Carroll County Times on Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup> 1964. In the paper it was listed under Grace Lutheran. So you can see if someone did not read the Church listings, it could easily be missed, (note copy of the add in Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> newspaper). Mary Ann had 5 months sobriety when it was held on March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1964. Mary Ann was asked to be the Master of Ceremonies and talk a little about AA and then, introduce the 2 or 3 speakers from York, Pa. The Minister of the Church, the Rev. Falkenstein did attend. The attendance included our members and their wives, who baked cookies. We had no visitors attend except for the Rev. Falkenstein. In 1965 we had 2 men from Frederick, ( Harry W. & Darrell W. ) who came often to our Monday meeting. Mary Ann had 18 months sobriety at the time. There was a annual Banquet in Frederick and they needed a woman speaker. They already had a man speaker, a Catholic Priest. The dinner was at a restaurant on Patrick Street in Frederick. Omar R. Buchwalter was invited to attend and he was also Mary Ann` Minister from her Kensington, Maryland Church, (not a copy of a letter of appreciation sent to Mary Ann from Omar B. at the Church dated, June 20<sup>th</sup> 1965 ). After it was over we all went to Frank F.` home for fun and refreshments. As time passed the Group changed its format to a closed Step group with the last Monday a tradition meeting. Tradition 1 starting in September. The date this occurred is unknown at the present time. In the early 1980`s the Court referral slip issue came. The Courts would send people to attend and get a slip signed stating they attended an AA meeting. The Group did not want to sign slips for Court referrals because of the Traditions, and did not. One of the members, Jim D. seen the need of a Traditions meeting to better educate our members. In the Fall of 1985 Jim D. started a Traditions meeting in his Club room at his home on Crouse Mill Rd., (by invitation only ). This meeting lasted for a few years with 6 to 12 in attendance. With the decline of Jim D.` health the meeting stopped.

On July 6<sup>th</sup> 1995, Ted J. and Mary Ann O. provided information in a interview about the start of AA` first Group in Carroll County (now District 9 ). This story was printed as part 7: North Central Maryland, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of the Margenser 1995 newsletter by Maryland General Service (Area 29). Later reprinted in the "Gleanings From Maryland's AA History" also from Maryland General Service, ( Area 29 ). Mary Ann O. is still active in the Group with more than 52 years sobriety. Ted J. passed away in 2009 just before his 50 year anniversary. GSO history date is January 5<sup>th</sup> 1959 and the service number is 000106415. -

Note: It is thought in early 1958 the members met at Bernie M` home or place of business on Green St. The moved in late 1958 to the Church was to accommodate all who came. The three men listed in 1965 also attended the Original Frederick Group. In the West Central Intergroup Archives, Harry W., Darrell W., & Frank F., are recorded as attending the Original Frederick Group in their 1977 book. Let it be noted the Intergroup Archives only has information back to 1977 about this Group which was the 1<sup>st</sup> Group in Frederick started in 1948. - (\*1\*2\*3 )

## 1959

Manchester - Lone Member - Bob H., ..... Lone - (\*1\*5)

## 1965

Baltimore Intergroup - ( March 1<sup>st</sup> 1965 moved to ) - Central Office, 3111 Saint Paul Street, (second floor over bakery) Baltimore, Maryland, 21218 - Phone # 467-4667-4668 - Note: March 11<sup>th</sup> 1966, Tom F. was voted to be the Intergroup Secretary on a 6 month trial bases - September 16<sup>th</sup> 1966 Tom F. was voted to be the Intergroup

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Secretary - October 14<sup>th</sup> 1966 Tom F. was voted to give monthly reports at the Intergroup meeting. (\* 2010 calendar and 20 questions pamphlet )

Sykesville - Central Group - C/o A A Secretary, Central Laundry Pre Release Unit, Sykesville, 21784 - 16 members. Do not know who started the meeting but, may have been a suggestion from the Baltimore Intergroup Institutions Committee. In 1963 the contact was Rev. John J. W., St. Stephens Rectory, Bradshaw. In 1966 and 1967 listed under Greater Baltimore Area Institutions Committee, the contact was Rev. Thomas E. O', 5400 Roland Ave., Baltimore, ( Thomas F. C. ). - GSO service # 000154019 and history date is June 8<sup>th</sup> 1965. - Note: unknown exactly who started, when started, or if still meeting. This is a in house group. - (\*1\*2 )

**1968**

Sykesville - Upper Room Group - St. Paul's UMC, 7538 Main St.-21784 - 7pm - FRI - (O) (D) - Founders believed to be Kay B. and Richard B. Listed in the Baltimore Intergroup directory in June 1992 as meeting at St. Barnabas Church, Main St., Sykesville, 21784 - 7:00pm - FRI - (O) (D) (NSM). It was said: "Kay restarted the Upper Room Group because the 8:30pm Sykesville Mon-Fri group was taken over with Court referral people and there was no AA message." It was also said: "The group met at 7:00pm upstairs". In January 25<sup>th</sup> 1994 the bulletin states moving to Springfield State Hospital, 5<sup>th</sup> St., 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Building D, Warfield Complex. ( We believe the group was at Springfield Hospital for a very short time, then moved back to St. Paul's UMC., "if" indeed the Intergroup listed it correctly. The Church may have been making improvements. ). Baltimore Intergroup start date is March 28<sup>th</sup> 2002 and meet at St. Paul's UMC, 7538 Main St., 21784. Last updated at the GSO is listed on August 16<sup>th</sup> 2006, this may have been the time the group received a group service number since, in 1968 we were not using or even had a group service number yet, the service # came into play in the mid 1970`s. - GSO service # is 000672306 and the history date is August 16<sup>th</sup> 1968. - Note: Kay B. got sober in early 1968, married Richard B. (who she met at a meeting, Springfield State Hospital ) Richard got drunk, they started the group, then Kay surrendered in December 1968, never to drink again. Richard B. finally surrendered in August 1982, never to drink again. We do not have any details on the group but think with the start of the Monday/Friday Night Sykesville Group's in 1982 the Upper Room Group became inactive for a period of time and then started up again because of the slip signing Court referral people. Kay B. passed away sober in Delaware on February 14<sup>th</sup> 2010. Richard B. passed away sober in Delaware on June 19<sup>th</sup> 2014. - (\*2\*4)

**1972**

Sykesville - Carroll Howard Co. - Friday - St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, Parish House, Sykesville, 21784 - listed in the Baltimore Intergroup directory from 1972 thru 1977 - Note: this may be the Upper Room Group and just called by another name, the day of the week and the location fits - (\*4\*5)

Woodbine - Woodbine Saturday Night Group - 8:30pm - Morgan Chapel UMC, 6750 Woodbine Rd., Woodbine, 21787 - Richard P. was said to have started the group - first listed in the Baltimore Intergroup Directory in January 1975 - GSO service # 000130171 and the history date is August 12<sup>th</sup> 1983 - (\*2\*3 )

Eldersburg- Eldersburg Freedom Group - 8:30pm - Closed Meeting - Wed - Wesley Freedom Church, 1 mile past Eldersburg- Rte. 26 - (al-anon & alateen) - unknown when or who started - contact from the 1979 Eastern U. S. Directory is F. Dan B. Jr., Woodbine, 21797. - 10 Members - listed in the Baltimore Intergroup directory June 1972 - Note: Richard M. sobriety date is March 15<sup>th</sup> 1970 from Eldersburg said; "he went there when hurricane Agnes was here in 1972" - may have started before 1972 - (\*1\*3\*4\*5 )

**1973****1974**

Sykesville - Bridge Group - Wed - Sparr Unit, Springfield Hospital Center, 21784 - we do not know who

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started the group or when it was started - Note: in the 1990`s the Sparr Unit was on 1<sup>st</sup> Street just off of Main St. - listed in the 1979 Eastern United States directory - we do not have any information between 1973 - 1978 from the Eastern US Directories so, are unsure where to place this group - listed in 1980 directory, the Baltimore Intergroup Institutions Committee took meetings to the Hubner Bldg. on Wednesdays - the Hubner Building is located between Main St. and the Medical Services Building on 4<sup>th</sup> St., it was renovated and now the Maryland State Police is using the building - (\*1\*4\*5)

Sykesville - Carroll-Sykesville Group - Fri. - 7 Members - unknown where they met and who the founders were - contact from the 1979 Eastern United States directory was, George P., 21784 - Note: we only have a contact name and no group location, this group may have been the Upper Room Group or the beginning of the Eldersburg Friday Night Group, it is questionable? - (\*1\*5)

**1975**

Westminster - East Main Group - Tues. - 8:30pm - Baltimore Federal Savings and Loan Building, 6 East Main St., 21157.- said to have been started by, Bill M. who was a member of the Parkville Group and his sobriety date is January 1971 - contact from 1978 info., Kenneth C., 21157; or Ira C. Note: Ira C. also, known as Buck C. lives in Pa., a town called Sticks. Later to join the Manchester Friday night group in 1983, and to start Hanover York Street Group in Hanover, Pa. in the Fall of 1986. Also, moved to Hanover, Pa., in the mid 1980`s. Came from Baltimore, member of the Canton Group, in the 1960`s and early 1970`s. Buck C. started in AA in 1960. Something happen with the move from Baltimore and Buck`s sobriety date was changed to September 1973. Early in 1982 the East Main Group moved to, Grace Lutheran Church, 22 Carroll St., 21157 & met on Thursday night instead of Tuesday. The Group just could not hold all the people that was coming. The founder of the Group, Bill M. also died in 1982. By 1983 the Group moved for its last time to the Carroll County Health Dept., Bldg., at 540 Washington Rd., 21157. Nat G. was "Court appointed" to run the Group and sign slips for Court referrals. "Tradition six broken this is affiliation and endorsement" - The Group became a big court referrals meeting with between 150 and 200 in attendance. When Nat`s term was up Richard G. and Ed. H. volunteered to be the Chairperson . The day of the week also moved back to Tuesday Night. A beginners meeting was also started at 7:00 pm. So, the East Main Group was meeting on Tuesday Night at 8:30 pm., with a Beginners meeting at 7:00pm. By late 1985 or early 1986 the Group was gone forever because of tradition breaks. Last time listed was in the January 1986 Baltimore Intergroup directory - the **East Main Group** was first listed in the January 1975 directory from the Baltimore Intergroup Office, we do not know exactly when the first meeting was, it could have been in late 1974 - (\*1\*2\*3\*4\*5)

**1976**

Eldersburg - Eldersburg Friday Group - Fri. - St. Joseph Catholic Church, 915 Liberty Road, 21784.- contact from the 1979 Eastern U. S. Directory is Ellsworth E. S. - 5 Members - Note: first listed in the Baltimore Intergroup directory in July 1976-77 this may suppose the group started in early 1976 but not definite - (\*1\*4\*5)

Hampstead - Snydersburg Thursday Night Group - 8:00pm - THUR - (O) (D) - the original name was the **Hampstead Thursday Night Group** - 8:30pm - closed - started by Marie K. and others because there were no meetings in northern Carroll County on Thursday - first meeting was on the first Thursday in October 1976, at St. Mark` Lutheran Church, 1375 Main St., 21074 - in December 1992 moved to St. Mark` Evangelical Lutheran Church, 1616 Cape Horn Rd., 21074 - June of 2001 changed time to 8:00pm. - in September 2001 changed Group name to **Snydersburg Thursday Night Group** - October 2002 became a Chip meeting - July 25<sup>th</sup> 2003 Melvin B. sent a new group form to GSO and listed Charles M. and Gary B. as the contact people for the group - 7 members at that time - GSO service # is 000656679 and the history date is August 5<sup>th</sup> 2003 - Note: mix up at the GSO in regard to the correct start date and group service number, suggest read two page letter on the group history dated March 25<sup>th</sup> 2015 - (\*2\*3\*4)

1977

Westminster - **Westminster Tuesday Noontime Group** - Church of The Ascension, 23 N. Court, Westminster, 21157 - unknown who started or the exact date - listed in the Baltimore directory 1977 thru 1979 - Note: stopped meeting or may have changed to Wednesday at the end of 1979 or early 1980 - (\*2\*4\*5)

1979

Westminster - **Carroll St. Beginners Group** - Mon - 7:30pm (O) (steps 1,2,3) - Grace Lutheran Church, Carroll St., Westminster, 21157 - unknown who or why the meeting was started except for the purpose of Court referrals - Note: what was said at the meeting was taken back to the Courts and the meeting stopped in 1985 - Tradition 1, 6, 11, & 12, unity, affiliation and endorsement, actual or implied, anonymity was broken & spirit of sacrifice - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Westminster Saturday Night Group** - 8:30pm.- Church Of The Ascension, 23 North Court St., 21157 - (Closed) - (Al-Anon) - said: "to have been started by, Mike C., Charles H., Ron C., and Ron and Karen D. " - (contact from 1982 Eastern U.S. Directory were Mike C., & ; Bob G. Mid 1980` format changed to open discussion and became a big court referrals meeting. Attendance was up to nearly 300 people, they lost most of their long term sobriety people at "That time". In June 2003 changed name to **Saturday Night Live**. In December 2005 changed time to 8:00pm. In February 2011 time changed to 7:30 pm for only a short time then changed back to 8:00 pm. GSO service # 000118900 and history date is June 6<sup>th</sup> 1979. Note: In May 1989 a Alateen meeting was started in Room # 5. The Alateen meeting went on for a couple of years. - (\*2\*3\*4)

1980

Baltimore Intergroup Office - ( April 1<sup>st</sup> 1980 moved to ) - Central Office, 114 West 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Baltimore, Maryland, 21218 - Phone # 467-4667 - (\* 2010 calendar & 20 questions pamphlet )

Sykesville - **Kindergarden Group** - Mon. 12 Noon - St. Barnabas Parrish Hall, Main Street, Sykesville, 21784.- unknown who were the founders and the meeting met only a short time - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Ascension Group** - Wed - noon (C) (al-anon) - Episcopal Church Of The Ascension, 23 North Court St., 21157. Believed to have started in 1980. Unknown who were the founders. Also called the **Westminster Wednesday Noon Group**, then change the format to, Open Discussion in the mid 1980`s, ( by the late 1990`s the al-anon family group moved because the rent was raised.) - (The Al-Anon Family Group moved to the Westminster United Methodist Church, 162 East Main St. @ Center Street). In the 1990`s the group was called **Wednesday Noon Ascension** (O) (D). In October 2005 the group changed its name to **Acceptance at Noon Group**, Open topic. Listed with District 9 as the **Wednesday Noon Ascension** - Wed. 12 noon (O) (D). - GSO service # is 000666820 and the history date is July 11<sup>th</sup> 2005. - Note: Terrance from Baltimore County said he was there in the late 1970`s, he also said the Westminster Monday Night Group members were there, Ted J., Jim D., and others. So, with that said this group may have started a couple of years earlier, but we have no proof of that. All we have is the Baltimore Intergroup directory as a reference and maybe the comments from Terrance M.. It is possible Terrance went on Tuesday and not on Wednesday. - (\*2\*3\*4)

1981

Sykesville-Regan Friday Night Group- (Monday and Friday) - Regan Treatment Center, Springfield State Hospital, Building K., 21784 - unknown who started or exactly when, we believe first started on Friday and in a short period of time added a Monday meeting - contact: W. M. R., or C. B., - Note: Baltimore Intergroup Institutions Committee took meetings in, we believe the building and meeting was on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street - Regan Center was the name of the program in which moved to 5<sup>th</sup> Street, between 1989 to 1991 - (\*1\*4\*5)

Manchester-Manchester Friday Night Group - 8:00pm - closed speaker discussion - (al-anon) - Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, 3184 Church Street, Manchester, Md., 21102 - Group was started in September

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1981 by, Mike C. & Louis W. and, met at 8:30pm, the group was started at the request of the Church pastor the Rev. Ellis Kretschmer (Rev. Ellis K. passed away in June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015 ). At the first meeting there were 8 people attending they were Louis W., Mike C., John S., 3 from Baltimore, Richard B., Meyer, and Kenny S., the other two are unknown. By the middle of 1986 we became a Court referral meeting and was unable to get away from that until January 1990 when, all the Court referral people had their time up and was no longer coming to AA. In January 2002 we voted to have a Group Conscience meeting every third Friday. On June 4<sup>th</sup> 2004 we voted to meet at 8:00pm instead of 8:30pm. The group has been active with the Area 29, District 9, the Baltimore Intergroup and their activities, and the West Central Intergroup. GSO service # 000125418 and the history date is February 22<sup>nd</sup> 1982. - (\*2\*3 )

**1982**

Sykesville - **Sykesville Monday Night Group** - Mon - St. Paul's UMC, 7538 Main St., (Church & Main St.), 21784. Started early in 1982 by Richard & Kay Bagley. GSO service # 000128995 and the history date April 4<sup>th</sup> 1983. By the end of 1982 a Friday Night Meeting was added, the **Sykesville Monday Night Group** & the **Sykesville Friday Night Group** is the same group and the same members. - Note: Kay and Richard B. lived in walking distance of the meeting. - (\*2\*4)

Westminster - **Westminster Big Book** - 8:30pm WED - First Presbyterian Church, 65 Washington Rd., 21157 - listed as a new group on 11-28-1982, in the Baltimore Intergroup Bulletin - Note: this group listed in the Baltimore bulletin and was listed in the Directory June 1983 and March 1984 only - why the meeting stopped is unknown - (\*4\*5 )

Sykesville - **Sykesville Friday Night Group** - Fri - St. Paul's UMC, 7538 Main St., 21784. Listed in the Baltimore intergroup bulletin as a new group on, 12-19-1982. Richard & Kay Bagley were the founders. The Friday meeting was needed, Kay thought. Monday and Friday is same group of members. - (\*4 )

Hampstead - **Hampstead Sunday Night Group** - 8:00pm - Sun - Black & Decker Plant, 626 Hanover Pike, 21074 - meeting started in 1982 by Gene G. and the cofounder may have been big John G. - (contact: Gene G. from, the Eastern U.S. Directory ) - moved in July 1986 to Trenton and met at Christ Lutheran Church, Trenton Church Rd., 21155, near Rt. # 30 - with the move changed the Group's name to **Trenton Sunday Night Group** - in August 1996 moved back to Hampstead and the Group name was changed back to - **Hampstead Sunday Night Group**, St. John's UMC, 1205 N. Main St., 21074 - (O) (D) - on October 5<sup>th</sup> 2004 changed the format to a open Big Book Study - GSO history date is May 26<sup>th</sup> 1983 and the service # 000129520 - Note : Gene G. & Big John G. both worked and retired from Black and Decker - (\*2\*3 \*4)

Eldersburg - **Good Company Group** - MON - 8:30pm (O) (ST) Bethesda UMC, 326 Klee Mill Rd., 21784 - started in November of 1982 by, Olan S., (Smitty), Joe V., George G., and Blackie S. - GSO service # 000158825 and the history date is October 4<sup>th</sup> 1989 - a year or so later the same people started a Thursday night meeting called the **Klee Mill Thursday Night Group** - 8:30 pm - Same location - early to Mid 1980's had noon meetings at the Church - GSO service # 000157925 and the history date is August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1989 - Note: we received a Home Group History Sheet but we believe the groups are backward and the Klee Mill Thursday Night Group started first - also think the Friday noon meeting held at the same Church moved in October 1992 to become part of the Eldersburg Noon Group that meet at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 915 Liberty Rd., 21784 - (\*2\* 3 )

**1983**

Winfield - **South Carroll Sunday Night** - 7:00pm - SUN - (O) (BB) - Christ Care Church, 2015 Old Liberty Rd.-21157. Started as the **Sunday Night Ebenezer Group** - 8:00 pm - (also Alateen) - Ebenezer UMC, 4901 Woodbine Rd. & Rte. 94. Listed as a new group in the Baltimore Intergroup Bulletin, January 30, 1983. The basic format was a open discussion meeting. If the weather permitted, in the Summer, the meeting was held

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outside the Church on the lawn. In 2001 the meeting format was changed to beginners meeting with the focus on Steps 1, 2, & 3, using the Big Book. In February 2004 the meeting time was changed to 7:00 pm. Also, in 2004 the format was changed to open Big Book study. We read all the prefaces and appendices as well as the first 164 pages of the book. We then added Dr. Bob's nightmare as well as rotating to include another of the stories before starting over again. When members celebrate anniversaries, we ask them to select an excerpt from the Big Book for discussion. Attendance grew and the Church left us move into a larger room. On October 17<sup>th</sup> 2006 we changed our name to the **Ebenezer Sunday Night Group**. By 2008 we out grew the room and had to move the meeting. On October 26<sup>th</sup> 2008 the group moved to South Carroll Full Gospel Church, 2015 Old Liberty Rd. W., 21157. In August 2009 we, changed the group name to **South Carroll Sunday Night**. In 2012 the Church name was changed to Freedom Church. The Freedom Church merged with a very large international Church organization. In 2014 the Church was mandated by its parent to require groups using its space to purchase liability insurance. By the Fall of 2015 the Church's parent organization requires that it enter into facility agreements with the group using the space to pay \$100.00 per hour. We could not afford to pay that. As a result the group decided to move. The last meeting here was on February 28<sup>th</sup> 2016. The Group moved on March 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 to, Mt. Olive UMC, Cabbage Spring Rd. & Gillis Falls Rd., Mt. Airy, 21771. - GSO history date is April 9<sup>th</sup> 1986 and the service # 000139594. - Note: Starting in the Fall 2012 District 9 directory has meeting listed at the Freedom Church, same address. Church may have changed its name. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Westminster - **Westminster Big Book** - 12 Midnight - SAT closed - Sam Shoemaker House, 540 Washington Rd., 21157, (next to Carroll County Health Center). Unknown who were the founders. Got a group service number on May 7<sup>th</sup> 1987, # D-21-00745-29-09. There were many secretaries and chairpersons to keep the meeting going. In October 1988 the meeting time was changed to 11:00pm. At the end of 1990 group moved to Union Street Methodist Church, Union St., Westminster, 21157. In the late Spring or early summer in 1991 moved back to the Sam Shoemaker House, 540 Washington Rd., Westminster. In the 1992 Eastern U. S. Directory lists Bill S. & Stuart B. as the contacts. In September 1994 moved to Springfield State Hospital, Warfield Building, 5<sup>th</sup> St. - Sykesville, 21784. Also the group service number was changed in midyear 1994 to # 000143700. The building was sometimes called the Regan Hall or the Regan Center but, the Regan Center was the name of the program and not the name of building. Stayed there until the property was to be sold in May of 2003. Unknown what happened next, may have moved to the Medical Services Bldg. on 4<sup>th</sup> St., 21784 or the meeting may have stopped. At the District 9 meeting in December the change form to GSO dated November 4<sup>th</sup> 2006 the group was listed as "discontinued". Was also listed in the Baltimore Bulletin as "Discontinued" in April 2009. - Note: the building called the Sam Shoemaker House in Westminster was tore down, no longer there. With the move to Sykesville the name Shoemaker House was also used but the program name used is the Shoemaker Center. - (\*4\*5)

Taneytown - **Taneytown Group** - 7:30pm - Tuesday - (O) (BB) - Grace United Church Of Christ, 49 West Baltimore St., 21787 - unknown who were the founders but it is thought the group started in early spring of 1983 and was a closed meeting that met at 8pm - in September of 2008 the meeting time was changed to 7:30pm - in October 2014 the Taneytown Topic meeting merged with the Taneytown Group - the Taneytown Topic meeting started by RJ & Anthony in January 2013 meet at 7:30 pm., on Friday, (O) (D) (BB) - the Friday Topic meeting changed its format to Big Book in December 2014 - same members attend both meetings so they thought we will be one Group and meet on two different days - GSO service # 000129368 and the history date is May 9<sup>th</sup> 1983 - Note: it was said there were meetings in the mid to late 1970`s in Taneytown one at the Catholic Church and one at the Methodist Church - (\*2\*3\*4)

Westminster - **Sunday Morning Westminster Group** - 10:00am - SUN open speaker discussion - Sam Shoemaker House, 540 Washington Rd., 21157 - started by Dave F. and supported by Luther W., and John H., at the end of July, 1983 - attendance at the first meeting were Dave F., John H., Luther W., and 12 patients (15 people in all attended the first meeting) - we met in the Sam Shoemaker House itself in the Thomas room, by September 1990 the rehab moved to Springfield State Hospital and the building became a Detox Center. The

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group became inactive but, Luther W. & Robert S. took a meeting in the Detox Center on Thursdays from 8pm. to 9pm. In the Spring of 1991 the rehab unit moved back to the Sam Shoemaker House and the group became active again - the Director of the Sam Shoemaker House gave us a signed document stating "if we do not stop signing slips for the Court referrals, we would have to leave", we stopped at once and were very happy to get rid of that problem. We have had problems with that since 1985. We stopped being a Court referral meeting for a while after the vote in 1986 for the Call of Unity on May 17<sup>th</sup> 1986 by MGS and the vote from the Baltimore Intergroup in August 1986 . Court referral people would come to get their slip signed and for no other reason, causing problems for the group and the patients. The new people had enough to focus on, seek GOD or die, Recovery, thru the 12 Steps, Unity, and Service - Life Changing - at the end of August 1994 the rehab moved back to Springfield State Hospital and we voted at the group conscience meeting to move too. The first meeting there was on September 4<sup>th</sup> 1994 so we did not miss a week. We met in the rehab for a short time then moved across the street to the Warfield Bldg., on 5<sup>th</sup>. St., 21784 - the group became very active and attendance went up to 90 some people - on July 8<sup>th</sup> 2001 the conscience of the group voted to change its name to the **Sunday Morning Sykesville Group** - We had to move again on May 25<sup>th</sup> 2003 to the Big "G" Building located on 4th St., Springfield State Hospital, 21784 - with the move to the Big "G" we had less than 10 people but, in a short time attendance shot up to a high of 130 people. With all the changes at the Hospital we settled down to about 40 to 80 people. We have big shifts in attendance because of where we meet, on the grounds of Springfield Hospital Center. GSO service # is 000143701 and the history date is May 7<sup>th</sup> 1987. When we got a group service number on May 7<sup>th</sup> 1987 the service number was D-21-00746-29-09 which GSO changed to 000143701 in mid-year 1994, please note that all groups got a different service number not just us, there was some change at GSO maybe, the computer system or something. - Note: In September 1982 the first Alcoholic rehab opened in Carroll County to service Carroll and Howard County. In late 1994 the Sam Shoemaker House in Westminster became a Homeless Shelter for a couple of years then, Carroll County Hospital bought the building and they had the building tore down, (no longer there). At Springfield State Hospital located in Sykesville, 21784 the building was sometimes called the Regan Center or Regan Hall this, was the name of the program and not the building so with this, it seems to be misleading, misunderstood and, or complex to understand. ( September 1994 ) the Warfield building sometimes called Warfield E. or Warfield Complex, located on 5<sup>th</sup> Street can also be confusing. - All the property known as the Warfield Complex on 5<sup>th</sup> Street was to be sold, sometime in late 2003. - (\*2\*3 )

**Eldersburg - Eldersburg Tuesday Night Group** - 8:00pm - TUES (O) (D) - (Al-Anon) - Eldersburg Baptist Church, 1216 Liberty Rd., 21784. Started by Chris H., first meeting on July 12, 1983, the meeting time was 8:30pm. The meeting met in a small building far in back of the Church. At the very first meeting there were 15 men and women that attended. In July 1983 there were no other meetings in Eldersburg or Sykesville. On July 10<sup>th</sup> 1984 we celebrated our 1<sup>st</sup> year Group Anniversary. We had Diane R. Speak. Attendance was 57 people & we had a Cake to celebrate our first year. After a number of years the meeting moved into the Church. The time changed to 8:00pm in June 2001. In June 2007 the format changed to 1<sup>st</sup> week, speaker, 2<sup>nd</sup> week step, 3<sup>rd</sup> week BB, 4<sup>th</sup> week TRD, 5<sup>th</sup> week topic, this went on for a period of time before changing to open discussion. GSO service # is 000146254 and the history date is January 4<sup>th</sup> 1988. - Note: When MGS voted for a Call of Unity on May 17<sup>th</sup> 1986 and the follow up discussion and vote of the Baltimore Intergroup in August 1986 asking Groups not to sign slips for the Court referrals. We had a group conscience meeting and voted to go along with Area 29 and the Baltimore Intergroup`s decision. As time passed we forgot about the Call of Unity and started signing slips for Court referrals again. Chris H. no longer attends since suffered a stroke. He and his family moved to Florida. Then as the years passed Chris is now in a Nursing Home in South Carolina (2015). - (\*2\*3 )

**1984**

**Eldersburg - Eldersburg Acceptance Group** - 8:30pm - THUR - Liberty Reformed Presbyterian Church, 11301 Liberty Rd. - 21784 - (basement) - unknown who were the founders - meeting started early 1984 and stopped in late 1986 - (\*4\*5)

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**Eldersburg - Ebenezer Women's Group** - 8:30pm - MON - Ebenezer UMC, 4901 Woodbine Rd., Winfield - 21784 - unknown who was the founders, started in mid-year 1984 - (\*4\*5)

**Eldersburg - Ebenezer Wednesday Nite 12&12 Group** - 8:30pm - WED - Ebenezer UMC, 4901 Woodbine Rd., Winfield - unknown who was the founder and started in mid-year 1984 - (\*4\*5)

**Eldersburg - Liberty Noon Meeting** - noon - WED - Liberty Medical Center, Rt. 26 & 32, (rear entrance) -21784. We believe the first meeting was on Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 1984. The founders are unknown. - (\*4\*5)

**Hampstead - Wednesday Nite Hampstead Group** - 8:30pm - WED - Black and Decker Plant, 626 Hanover Pike, Hampstead - 21074 - believe to have been started by Gene G. and others in mid-year 1984 - by the Spring of 1987 the group moved to the Christ Lutheran Church, Trenton Church Rd., near route 30, Upperco, 21155 - (4\*5)

**Eldersburg - Eldersburg Thursday Nite** - 7:30pm - THUR - Community Center, Rt. 26 & 32, 21784 - believed to have been started by Lou & Sandy in late summer or early Fall in 1984 - stopped meeting in a year or so - (\*3\*4\*5)

**Eldersburg - Eldersburg Friday Nite Group** - 8:30pm - FRI - Community Center, Rt. 26 & 32, 21784. Believe to have been started by Lou & Sandy in late Summer or early Fall in the year 1984. In the 1990's the Telemarketers took over the Community Center. In October 1997 we moved to Springfield State Hospital on 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Administration Bldg., 21784, and became **The Eldersburg Group**. We met on Monday, Friday, and Saturday at 8:30pm and were a non smoking open discussion group. In September 2001 we stopped meeting on Monday & Friday but still met on Saturdays. We also moved to a new location at the Salem United Methodist Church at Rolling Rd. & Windsor Mill Rd., 21133. After a few years we stopped meeting. - (\*3\*4\*5)

**Taneytown - Big Book Group** - 8:30pm - TUES - United Trinity Church of Christ, Baltimore and Main St., 21787. Believed started in October 1984. The founders are unknown. Why the meeting stopped or when they stopped is unknown. - Note: when a member of the Westminster Monday Night Group, Jim D. went blind, some of the members took a meeting to his home. But over time some issue developed and instead of stopping the meeting it was decided to move to the "United Trinity Church of Christ" in Taneytown, Md. We do not know if this is the group or the Wednesday, Taneytown Step Group was the meeting started in Jim D. home at the present time. The Big Book Group was listed in the Baltimore Intergroup Bulletin dated October 14<sup>th</sup> 1984 as a new Group. - (\*4\*5)

**1985**

**Westminster - New Attitude Of Gratitude** - 6:30 pm.- FRI - (O) (D) - Senior Center, 125 Stoner Rd., 21157 - started in 1985 and met in the Court Room at 6:30pm on Friday. The original name of the meeting was the **Attitude of Gratitude**. In 1986 moved to the Carroll County Office Bldg., 225 N. Center St., 21157 - April 1996 moved to 224 N. Center St., 21157 - by year end 1996 moved to the Senior Center, 125 Stoner Ave., 21157 - in early 2014 added "**New**" to the Groups name - is now the **New Attitude Of Gratitude** - GSO history date is May 15<sup>th</sup> 1990 and the service # 000162443 - (\*2\*3\*4)

**Westminster - Westminster Wednesday Night Group** - 8:30 pm.- WED - closed - discussion - topic - Meadow Branch Church Of The Brethren, 818 Old Taneytown Rd., - Rt. 140 & Royer Rd. - 21157 - The first meeting was on March 27<sup>th</sup> 1985 and was said to be run by Donald M., the meeting time was at 6:30pm. & met in the Court House. In a short time Ed E. was asked to run the meeting but because of his job made it hard to run the meeting at 6:30pm. By May 1985 the meeting moved to the Professional Bldg., Gorsuch Rd and Rt. 140, Room 403, D.M.V. Bldg., 21157, the meeting time was changed to 8:30pm. The last meeting there was on March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1988. The meeting moved again on April 6<sup>th</sup> 1988 to the Sherwood Distillery in Westminster, average

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attendance was 42 people. The meeting moved again on May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1990 to Meadow Branch Church of the Brethren, 818 Old Taneytown Rd., 21157. On February 2001 the Group added a Saturday meeting called **Westminster Wednesday Night On Saturday** - 7:00pm - SAT - O - 1<sup>st</sup> (ST), 2<sup>nd</sup>, (TRD), 3<sup>rd</sup>, (L), 4<sup>th</sup>, (BB) (T) - 5<sup>th</sup>, Topic. So at present the Group meets twice a week on Wednesday and Saturday. On July 9<sup>th</sup> 2003 we had the Baltimore Intergroup out to do a Workshop on Institutional commitments and institutions - GSO history date is March 30<sup>th</sup> 1993 and the service # 000175544 - (\*2\*3\*4)

New Windsor - **New Windsor Wednesday Night Group** - 7:30pm.- WED - Open - (Al anon) - St. Paul's UMC, 200 Main St., 21776. Was said to be started by Ken T. and Dick S. and others in February or March of 1985. We wanted to have a group in our home town. This was the reason for starting the AA group. At our first meeting we had in attendance 6 or 8 people. At first we only had men coming but over time we had women and young people attending. We have a average of 12 members and average attendance of about 30 people. We celebrate our group anniversary and at our last one (2014) we had 85 people in attendance. GSO service # 000156857 and the history date is May 18<sup>th</sup> 1989. Note: Dick S. still comes to the meeting. Ken T. moved to Pennsylvania and no longer attends except on special occasions. Early in the beginning of the group Jim and Wilson came regular but they stopped coming also. - (\*2\*3)

Westminster - **New Smallwood Group** - 8:30 pm.- FRI - (O) (D) - Deer Park UMC, 2205 Sykesville Rd. (Rt. 32 and Deer Park Rd.) 21157. Started by Ed E. and Bob K. Met at Deer Park UMC, 2200 Sykesville Rd., 21157, in old stone building across the road from the new Church that was completed in 1995. The name of the building was the Deer Park Chapel and was owned by the cemetery and not the Church. The first meeting was on April 12<sup>th</sup> 1985 and the name of the meeting was called the **Smallwood Fri. Nite 24 hour Group**. Ed E. celebrated 2 years there in December, 1985. Big John G. celebrated 7 years there in June 1988. Some kind of issue within the meeting that was why the Groups name was changed. In December 1988 the Group name was changed to the **New Smallwood Group**. Was listed in the Baltimore Intergroup Bulletin for December 1988 as a new meeting, this is possibly when the meeting changed it's name to the **New Smallwood Group**. In 1995 the new Church was completed at 2205 Sykesville Road. The Church asked the Group to move the meeting into their Church building. The meeting time was changed to 8:00 pm on September 19<sup>th</sup> 2014. - GSO service # 000150424 and the history date is December 23<sup>rd</sup> 1988. - (\*2\* 3 \*4)

Westminster - **Westminster 12&12** - 8:30pm - SUN - Closed - Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St.-21157 - believed to have started the end of 1985 - unknown who were the founders - listed in the Baltimore directory in January 1986 - by 1992 listed as a closed discussion meeting - in the bulletin dated October 28<sup>th</sup> 1997 was listed as "Discontinued" - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **S.O.S. Women's Group** - 8:30pm - MON - Sam Shoemaker House, 540 Washington Rd., (next to the Carroll County Health Dept.) - 21157 - unknown who the founders were, started the end of 1985 - listed in the January 1986 directory - Note: - the building called the Sam Shoemaker House was torn down - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Sobriety Group** - 1:00pm - SUN - Carroll County Health Dept., Rt. 32 - unknown who started the group or the exact date but, was listed in the June 1985 directory - (\*4\*5)

Eldersburg - **Community Center Meeting** - 7:00pm - TUES - Community Center Bldg., Rt. 26 & 32, 21784. The founders were believed to be Lou & Sandy, also active was Clint. Listed in the January 1986 directory, that would suggest the meeting started in late year 1985. In the 1990s the Telemarketers took over the Community Center. In October 1997 the meeting moved to Springfield State Hospital and met at the Administrations Building on 4<sup>th</sup> St., 21784. We also changed our group name to **The Eldersburg Group**. We met on Monday, Friday, and Saturday and became a non smoking open discussion meeting. In September 2001 we moved again to the Salem United Methodist Church at Rolling Rd. & Windsor Mill Rd., 21133. We cancelled the Monday & Friday meeting and only met on Saturdays. In a few years the group stopped meeting altogether. - (\*4\*5)

Eldersburg - Eldersburg Noon Group - noon - MON -WED - THUR - FRI - St. Joseph Catholic Church, 915 Liberty Rd. & Freedom Ave., 21784 - meet in room # 6 - believed to have started in late 1985, the group is not listed in the June 1985 directory but, is listed in the Baltimore Intergroup Directory dated January 1986, this would suggest the group started before January 1986 - the intergroup has a history date of June 19<sup>th</sup> 1987 which may suggest the **Monday Noon** started, the **Eldersburg Monday Noon** is first listed in the February 1988 directory as a closed meeting - the bulletin states the **Friday Noon** started in October 1992 - the **Thursday Noon** started on April 15<sup>th</sup> 2013 - the **Monday Noon** is a open topic - the **Wednesday Noon** is a open big book - the **Thursday Noon** is a open Grapevine - the **Friday Noon** is a open step with the last week a Tradition meeting - GSO history date is August 7<sup>th</sup> 2001 and the service # 000645532 - Note: BJ remembers the Friday Noon was started by Joe V. and Tim M. and met over at the Bethesda UMC, 326 Klee Mill Rd., first then moved to St. Joseph's Church in October 1992 - the actual starting date of Friday is unknown - BJ also said there were 6 to 9 in attendance in the beginning - BJ's sobriety date is July 1975 - (\*2\*3\*4)

Taneytown - Taneytown Step Group - 8:30pm - WED - Trinity Lutheran Church, 38 W. Baltimore St., Taneytown, 21787. Believed started in 1985 by members of the Westminster Monday Night Group. GSO history date of April 5<sup>th</sup> 1988 and service # 000147582. - Note: Stephan K. said he attended the meeting in 1986, and he also said the group stopped meeting in 2011 or 2012 from lack of attendance. Stephan K. said he opened the doors, set up the meeting but no one came. We believe the meeting stopped year end 2010, because the group was not listed in the January 2011 district 9 directory. - (\*2\*3\*5)

## 1986

Baltimore Intergroup Office - moved July 1986 to Homeland Center - Central Office, 5438 York Rd., Baltimore, Md., 21212 - Phone # 410-433-4843 - ( \* 2010 calendar & 20 questions pamphlet )

Westminster - Westminster S.O.S - 2:30 pm.- SUN - (O) (D) - Crossroads Community Church, 895 Leidy Rd., 21157. Started about March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1986. Meeting at the Carroll County Office Building, 225 N. Center St., Room # 7 at 1:30 pm., Beginners. March 1996 moved to 124 N. Center St., Westminster. Moved to the Senior Center on Stoner Ave. in late 1996. Moved to Crossroads Church in 2010. Time change to 2:30 pm., on April 17<sup>th</sup> 2014. Founder members believed to be, Lee J., and Big John G. Keith S. was also very active in the group. On April 10<sup>th</sup> 2016 the SOS group celebrated a 30 year anniversary (this is the first time the group ever celebrated a group anniversary). Food & Refreshments at 1:30pm and the meeting at 2:30pm. There were between 80 and 100 people in attendance. At the 30 year anniversary were 7 speakers. They were JD, Paul F., Chuck B., Tom V.H., Paul R, Bernie, & Bob. JD said: (1986) " Lee J. would pick up the key at the Carroll County Detention Center for the Alcohol & Tobacco room located in the Carroll County Office Building, on Center St." By 1993 Paul F. and Chuck B. was running the meeting. Chuck C. said: "Big John just handed him the keys to the Liquor Board room." - GSO service # 000142860 and the history date is February 24<sup>th</sup> 1987. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Finksburg - Gamber Monday Night - 7:00pm - MON - (O) (D) - Calvary UMC, 3939 Gamber Rd., 21048. Started about March 31<sup>st</sup> 1986. Founders unknown. On April 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 we celebrated a 30 year group anniversary (the first time the group ever celebrated a group anniversary). At the 30 year celebration we had refreshments at 6:00pm and the regular meeting at 7:00pm., (well attended and plenty of food). - GSO service # 000156747 and the history date is May 12<sup>th</sup> 1989 - Note: the start date March 31<sup>st</sup> 1986 is from the Baltimore Intergroup Office. It is possible they may have had meeting before contacting the Baltimore Intergroup Office, this is unknown. - (\*2\*4)

Eldersburg-Winfield - Ebenezer Womens Group - 8:30pm - TUES - ( C ) - Ebenezer United Methodist Church, 4901 Woodbine Rd., 21784 - unknown who were the founders - group started in 1986 - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Westminster Group** - 7:15pm - MON - 55 Court St., 21157 - believe started in early 1986 - unknown who started the meeting - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Court House Group** - 6:30pm - THUR - 55 N. Court St., 21157 - believe started in early 1986 - We do not know who started or run the meeting. - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Friday Nite Survivors Group** - 8:30pm - FRI - Carroll County Health Dept., Memorial Drive, 21157 - unknown who was the founder, started in 1986 - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Sober Living Group** - 8:00pm - FRI - Carroll County Health Dept., 540 Washington Rd., 21157 - unknown who started the meeting in 1986 - (\*4\*5)

Hanover, Pa. - **Hanover York St. Group** - 8:00pm - TUES - O - NSM - U.C.C. Annex, 120 York St., rear, Hanover, Pa. 17331. ( Area 59, District 35 ) Started by Buck C. in the Fall of 1986, because the only other group was the Hanover Group in Hanover, Pa., at the time. Buck lived in Hanover, Pa., and wanted another group that was a open meeting. At the first meeting attendance was 8 people but, as time went by, the meeting room was filled with 30-40 people. The room was small and at times was packed. Sometimes someone would drive the people in the rehab called, the Sam Shoemaker House there, the van was full with about 12 to 15 people. Some of the early people to help with the meeting was Phil C., Jim C., and Brad F. The meeting was well attended. On June 6<sup>th</sup> 1995 the meeting time was changed to 7:30pm. In the 1990s someone started a earlier meeting at 6:00pm called the **New Beginnings Group** . 20 some years later a 8:00am meeting was also started. Sad to say the building was condemned in January 2015 and the Hanover York St. Group stopped meeting. This meeting is not in District 9 but, is a spin off of the Manchester Friday Night Group. This meeting is in Area 59, District 35, Hanover, Pa. Martin and Jay said: “ after the condemning of the building in January 2015 & because of low attendance the Hanover York Street Group merged with the **New Beginnings Group** and became the Act Of Unity.” The newly named meeting called the **Act Of Unity** moved on February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2015. The **Act Of Unity** meet at 6pm on Tuesdays at the First UMC., (Lohr`s) 200 E. Middle St., parking & entrance at the rear of the Church (downstairs room). The **Act Of Unity** moved on June 7<sup>th</sup> 2016 to the Club ODAT, 398 York St., Hanover, PA. Note: Club ODAT is the first Club in Hanover, PA., and 1<sup>st</sup> opened up the beginning of May 2016. - (\*3\*4)

### 1987

Westminster - **Saturday Morning** - 9:30am - SAT - (O) (D) - Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., Westminster - was said the founders were, Russell G. Y. and others - believed to have started in early 1987 - first met at the Carroll County Office Bldg., 225 N. Center St., Westminster - March 1996 moved to 224 N. Center St, 21157 - end of 1996 moved to Senior Center, 125 Stoner Ave., Westminster - in January 2010 moved to the Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., Westminster - GSO history date is September 21<sup>st</sup> 1999 and the service # is 000637105 - the group was also called the **Saturday Morning Westminster Group** and the **Westminster Saturday Morning Group** - Note: Baltimore Intergroup history date is March 5<sup>th</sup> 1987 - there also was a Noon Open Beginners meeting at the same location under the same group name, met for a few years and then stopped meeting - (\*2\*4)

Eldersburg - **Eldersburg Saturday Midnight Group** - SAT - 12- Midnight - C - BB - Eldersburg Community Center, @ Route 26 & 32, 21784 - unknown who were the founders - (\*4\*5)

### 1988

Westminster - **Westminster Big Book Group** - 8: pm.- THUR - (O) (BB) - Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St. 21157. Was started by Jim C. and Mike F. in March 1988, met at 8:30pm, was a Closed Big Book Group, read and discussed. The 2<sup>nd</sup> reason for starting the meeting was “**not**” to sign slips for Court referrals.

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The meeting time was changed to 8:00 pm in March 1996. GSO history date March 27<sup>th</sup> 1989 and service #000155936 - Note: was started as a closed AA meeting - 8:30pm - (BB) - after a year or so many court referral people came in and took over the Group for the purpose of signing slips for the Court Referral people. Jim C. & Mike F. no longer attend. - (\*2\*3\*4 )

Westminster - **Westminster Sunday Night 12 Promises Group** - 7:30PM - SUN - ( P ) - believed to have been started in 1988 - unknown who were the founders of the meeting - met at the Carroll County Office Building, 225 N. Center St., 21157 - moved to 224 N. Center St. in March of 1996 - in December 1996 moved to Senior Center, 125 Stoner Ave. 21157 - February 18<sup>th</sup> 1996 time change to 7 pm. - in April 2005 the Group name was changed to the **12 Promises Group** - in 2006 the Group name was changed to **Promises Group Of AA** - December 2008 moved to Grace Lutheran Church, 21 Carroll St. - 21157 - GSO service # 000149196 and the history date is September 13<sup>th</sup> 1988 - stopped meeting in midyear 2012 - Note: tradition #6 and #7, affiliation implied and were no longer self supporting so stopped meeting - (\*2\*4\*5 )

**1989**

Westminster - **A Desire To Stop Group** - 8:00pm - TUES - (O) (D) - Triangle Recovery Club, 2 N. Court St.- 21157 - believed to have started in January 1989 by Donald M. with the support of Michael C. - first met at Union Memorial Baptist Church, 160 South Center St., 21157 - time 7:30pm. It was said the Group had to move because the Preacher of the Church thought we were making a lot of money and the Church had a new program called "GLAD", it was thought would fix drunks - in 1991 the Group moved to Meadow Branch Church Of The Brethren, 818 Old Taneytown Rd., 21157 - the Church wanted the Group out, we do not know why so, in April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2007 moved to the Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., 21157 - the rent was raised and the group could not pay it, that is why they had to move again, on September 9<sup>th</sup> 2014 the meeting time change to 8:00pm and the Group moved to the Triangle Recovery Club, 2 N. Court St., 21157 - GSO service # 000150889 and the history date is February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1989 - Note: the meeting start date of September 11<sup>th</sup> 1989 is from the Baltimore Intergroup Office. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Finksburg - **SASTO Group** - 6:30pm - THUR - (O) (D) - Mt. Zion UMC, 3006 Old Westminster Pike, 21048. The group first met at the Union Memorial Baptist Church, 160 South Center St., Westminster, 21157, at 7:00pm - Thursday - O - D - 1<sup>st</sup> listed in the Baltimore directory in November 1990. Believe the founders were, Bill S., Dave R., and Kevin D. in January 1989. GSO history date is February 10<sup>th</sup> 1989 and the service # 000674438. - Note: the group celebrates its 16 year anniversary in December 2006 and at that time had 14 members. That would put the start date at 1990 so, we think the **SASTO Group** moved to Finksburg in December 1990 from Westminster. The Baltimore Intergroup has a start date of February 14<sup>th</sup> 1990. J. D. said: "the group was started by Bill D. in 1986 but, we do not think so"- no evidence to prove it. All our information indicates the group started on January 19<sup>th</sup> 1990 but, GSO has the SASTO Group has a start date of 1989. So the group is under 1989. - (\*2\*3\*4 )

New Windsor - **New Windsor Monday Night Group** - 8:00pm - MON - (O) - New Windsor Presbyterian Church, 200 Church St., 21776 - started by Ronnie W. and Ken T. in early 1989 after a difference of opinion on the Court referral issue with the New Windsor Wednesday Group - Ronnie W. said; " we wanted another meeting in New Windsor plus we wanted to be a Court referral meeting that, is why we started the **New Windsor Monday Night Group** - GSO service # 000163724 and the history date is September 10<sup>th</sup> 1990 - ( \*2\* 3 )

Finksburg - **Eldersburg Thursday Night Group** - 7:00pm - THUR - D - NSM - Emmanuel Southern Baptist Church, 4150 Sykesville Rd., Route 32, Gamber, 21048 - believed to have started in early Spring 1989 - unknown who started the meeting or why they stopped - discontinued in the Spring of 2004 - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **New Order Step Group** - 8:30pm - SAT - C - Step - (Al-anon) - Church of the Ascension, 23 N.

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Court St., 21157, (upstairs). Believed started in the Spring of 1989. Unknown who were the founders. - Note: with the Westminster Saturday Night Group being a Court referral meeting and attendance of 200 to 300 people, the New Order Step Group was started and met upstairs for the so called "real alcoholic." - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - Bond And Green Group - St. Paul` Church Of Christ. 17 Bond St., 21157. Started by Anne K. on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 1989. Anne K. wanted a meeting that was also No Smoking. Began meeting on Tuesday at 8:30 pm. and called the **Tuesday Big Book Group**. By 1992 not called Bond & Green yet the Tuesday group was called **Westminster Tuesday Night** - 8:30pm - C - BB - D. In January 1991 the **Keep It Simple** meeting started on Saturday at noon - C - D - NSM - ( was not listed in the April 1999 directory this, may suggest a name change to the **Bond & Green** ). \* There was a Friday meeting called **Westminster Twelve Steppers** met at noon and was a closed Big Book Discussion meeting. We believe started in early 1992. Was listed in the June 1992 directory. (Last listed in the April 1998 directory.) In July 1996 the noon & the 8:00pm meeting name was changed to the **Pioneer Group**. In August 1996 the 8:00pm meeting changed its name to the **Westminster Friday Night**. Listed again in the July 2002 as the **Bond & Green Group**. Meeting on Friday at noon as a closed discussion step. Also listed as meeting at 8:00pm as a closed speaker meeting. \* There was also a Saturday noon meeting called **Keep it Simple**, noon - SAT - C - D- NSM. \* By early 2000`s the **Bond and Green Group** was meeting on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. By 2004 the Thursday was a Closed Step Discussion and met at 7:30 pm. By 2013 they meet on Sunday at 8pm, Tuesday at 8:30pm., Friday at noon, & at 8:00pm., Saturday at noon, all Closed Meetings. - GSO history date is May 25<sup>th</sup> 1990 and the service #000162679. \* With the closing of the Epiphany Group on January 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 the **Bond & Green** added a Wednesday night meeting. Meeting is at 7:00pm and is a Literature meeting. - Note: Listed as a new meeting in the Baltimore Bulletin dated August 20<sup>th</sup> 1996 was the **Pioneer Group** meeting on Friday at 8:00pm., C- BB- NSM. Listed in the Baltimore Bulletin dated September 24<sup>th</sup> 1996 lists a new meeting called the **Westminster Friday Night** meeting at 8:00pm., C - Speaker - NSM. With the evolution of the Group there have been other changes as well, like time, format, and day of the week. The exact date when they became the **Bond & Green Group** is unknown and who were the founders of the other meetings are also unknown at present. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Sykesville - Flohrville Stop On The Way Group - 6:00pm - WED - (O) (D) - Flohrville UMC, 6620 Church St. 21784. The first meeting was on October 25<sup>th</sup>. 1989 and meet at St. Barnabas Parrish House on Main Street in Sykesville. After that the Group moved to various locations in Sykesville. The founding members are unknown at this time. Sometimes called "**Stop On The Way Group**" - GSO service # 000665652 and the history date is April 14<sup>th</sup> 2005. Note: In the Baltimore Bulletin dated January 25<sup>th</sup> 1994 it states: the group moved to Springfield State Hospital, 5<sup>th</sup> St., Bldg. D, second floor, meeting at 6:00pm. This is in the Warfield Complex. We do not know how long they met there or when they moved again. - (\*2\* 3 )

Manchester - Manchester Wednesday Night Group - 8pm - WED (O) (BB) (D) - Immanuel Lutheran Church, 3184 Church St., 21102. The founders were thought to be Ted R. and maybe Okemah. Believe the first meeting was on July 7<sup>th</sup> 1989. We wanted a Closed Meeting & did not want to be a Court referral meeting. Mike O`C. got involved shortly after starting. Listed in the (November 1993) Baltimore Intergroup directory as meeting at 8:30pm - WED - C - D - Tradition - AA History - NSM. Became a Open Meeting in November 2000, for Court referrals. In January 2002 became a Big Book meeting. - GSO service # 000165855 and the history date is February 19<sup>th</sup> 1991. - Note: Ted R. signed in at the District 9 meeting on July 22<sup>nd</sup> 1989 as the Secretary of his Group. At the next District 9 meeting held on September 23<sup>rd</sup> 1989 he signed in as the Intergroup Rep. - Ted R. moved to Salisbury, Md. and is active there. Okemah passed away. Mike O`C. moved to Florida - (\*2\*3\*4)

Uniontown - Tuesday Night Uniontown Group - 6:30pm - O - D - St. Paul`s Lutheran Church, Main St. (Uniontown), 21157. Believed started in May 1989. Unknown who were the founders of the meeting. In March 1990 we added a Friday meeting, 6:30pm - O - D - Note: non AA literature was displayed at the meeting, breaking of tradition # 1 unity, # 5 primary purpose, and # 6 affiliation or endorsement for Court

referrals, almost a multipurpose meeting. - (\*4\*5)

### 1990

Upperco - Emory 24 Hour Group - 7:00pm - SAT - (O) (D) - Emory UMC, 1600 Emory Rd. 21155 - (Rt. 91 and Emory Church Rd.) - 21155 - started by Ed E. and John G. in February 1990 - the time was 8:30 pm - July 2002 changed time to 8:00pm. - April 2009 time change to 7pm and format changed to Open Meeting - GSO service # is 000699126 and the history date is February 9<sup>th</sup> 1989 - Note: there is a debate of the start date of starting in 1989 or 1990 at the present time - Dave R. wrote the group history stating the group started in February 1990 and we will go with his decision until further evidence is uncovered - in the Baltimore Intergroup bulletin dated November 22<sup>nd</sup> 1992 lists, the meeting will celebrate 2 years on December 22<sup>nd</sup> 1992, that would place the start date 1990 - (\*2\*3\*4)

Manchester - Manchester Saturday Night Step - 6:30pm - SAT - (O) (ST) 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. (TRD) - Immanuel Lutheran Church, 3184 Church St., 21102. Believed started in February 1990 as a meeting only, to read and discuss the 12 & 12 book. Met for a number of years and stopped in December 1999. Was listed "discontinued" in the December 21<sup>st</sup>, 1999 bulletin. The founders were John L., Dennis C., Dave and Carla G., Tony D., and John G. No meeting for a few years. Started meeting up again on or about April 15<sup>th</sup> 2003. The new founders were Melvin B., John C., and Charlie. The format the same, read and discuss the 12 steps and 12 Traditions out of the 12 & 12 book. GSO service # 000162108 and the history date is April 24<sup>th</sup> 1990. - Note: the April 15<sup>th</sup> 2003 date was from the Baltimore Intergroup Office, this date may or may not be the first meeting date. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Westminster - Westminster Primary Purpose Group - 7:30pm - TUES - C - Speaker Discussion - Westminster Bible Church, 310 Gorsuch Rd., 21157 - behind Hess Station - started May 1990 by Rocky I. and Terry D. for the purpose of caring the message of AA's 12 steps of recovery and "**not**" for the purpose of signing slips for Court referrals - September 23<sup>rd</sup> 1997 moved to the Westminster UMC., 165 E. Main St. at Center St., 21157 and met on Friday at 7:30 pm.- On April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1998 moved to Monday Night at 8:00pm., same location.- "Discontinued" meeting September of 2000 - (\*3\*4\*5)

Westminster - W.I.R.E.D. - Tuesday - 7:00pm - Open Discussion Women's Group - NSM - Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., 21157 - said to have been started by Carol D. and Brenda S. - believed started in the Spring of 1990, is listed in the Baltimore directory dated November 1990 - the original name of the group was the **Recovering Women of Westminster** - on October 25<sup>th</sup> 1991 the group got a group service number from GSO it was, D-21-01154-29-09 in mid year 1994 the number was changed to its current group service number #000169315 - in June 2005 the group changed its name to **W.I.R.E.D.**, which is short for **Women in Recovery Every Day** - in the June 2009 Baltimore Intergroup Bulletin the group is listed as "Discontinued" - Note: exact start date is unknown - (\*4\*5)

Lineboro - Manchester - Lineboro Tuesday Night - 8:30pm - TUES - (O) (D) - Trinity Church of Christ, 3229 York St., 21102. Believe to have been started on August 7<sup>th</sup> 1990. Unknown who were the founders. First met at the Lazarus United Church of Christ, 5101 South Church St., Lineboro, 21088. Met there until there was a church fire on December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2013. Moved to the Cornerstone Church in Melrose located at, 4217 Hanover Pike, Manchester, 21102 for a couple of weeks. Near the end of December 2013 moved to Trinity Church of Christ, 3229 York St., 21102. GSO history date is October 12<sup>th</sup> 1993 and the service #000177542. - Note: Baltimore Intergroup has a start date of July 21<sup>st</sup> 1990 but, lists a 3 year group anniversary on September 7<sup>th</sup> 1993. These 2 listings at the Intergroup Office is the only evidence we have. All the meeting records was lost in the fire. - (\*2\*4)

New Windsor - T.G.I.F. - 7:30pm - FRI - O - D - Step - New Windsor Presbyterian Church, Church & High St., 21776. Believed to have started in the Fall of 1990. The founders are said to be Dan and Brad F. Note: Is

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listed for the 1<sup>st</sup> time in the Baltimore Intergroup Directory dated November 1990. Not listed in the June 1997 directory. This would suggest the meeting started in midyear or Fall of 1990 and stopped meeting in 1996. - (\*4\*5)

**1991**

**Hampstead - Big Book Monday Night** - 8:30pm - O - D - BB - St. Peters Lutheran Church, 4300 Church Rd., 21074 - believed started in the Spring of 1991 - unknown who were the founders - Note: meeting only met for a year or less then stopped - only listed in the May 1991 directory from Baltimore Intergroup - (\*4\*5)

**Westminster - Thursday Night Women's** - 8:30pm - C - D - Step - NSM - Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., 21157. Believed started in the Spring of 1991. Unknown who were the founders. - Note: Listed 1<sup>st</sup> in the May 1991 directory from Baltimore Intergroup. Not listed in the June 1997 directory. This would suggest the meeting started in early 1991 and stopped meeting at the end of 1996. - (\*4\*5)

**Taneytown - Taneytown Smiles** - 8:00pm - THUR - O - D - St. Joseph's Church, Frederick St., Route 194, 21787. Believed to have started in Spring 1991. Unknown who were the founders. - Note: 1<sup>st</sup> listed in the May 1991 Baltimore Intergroup directory. The evidence suggest the meeting started in early 1991 and stopped meeting in the Summer of 1993. - (\*4\*5)

**Westminster - Bachman Valley Big Book Group** - 8:00 pm - MON - open Big Book - Jerusalem Lutheran Church, 1374 Bachman Valley Rd., at Bixler Church Rd., 21158. Started on October 21, 1991 by, John L., John G., Joe S., Tony and Barbara D., and Dave G. The meeting started at 7:00pm., later changed the time to 8:00pm. It was difficult to get someone to set up early enough to meet at 7pm. GSO service # 000175336 and the history date is March 18<sup>th</sup> 1993. - (\*2\*3\*4 )

**1992**

**Eldersburg - Tuesday Night AA** - Johnsville Baptist Church, Johnsville Rd., 21784 - 7:00pm - TUES - O - D - NSM - Believed to have started in the Spring of 1992. Unknown who started or why. No information is available except was listed in the Baltimore Intergroup June 1992 directory. According to the information available the meeting started in the Spring of 1992 and stopped in 1996. - Note: Since we have no other information except the directory the meeting may have met for a shorter time. Also, this meeting may have been listed incorrectly in the directory and may not be in district 9 either. This meeting is listed under the zip code 21784 in the directory. - (\*4\*5)

**Sykesville - Progress Not Perfection Women's** - Regan Center, Springfield State Hospital, 21784 - 6:00pm - FRI - O - D - We know very little about this meeting. It is unknown who started or how long the meeting was going on. Listed in the Baltimore Intergroup directory from June 1992 to February 1999. This would suggest the meeting started in 1992 and probably ended at the end of 1998 or even into 1999. The Regan Center was back on 5<sup>th</sup> Street in the Warfield Complex. Note: The Regan Center was the name of the program. In the 1980's was located on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street but moved for some reason back to 5<sup>th</sup> Street, by this time. (\*4\*5)

**Sykesville - A Way Out** - Regan Center, Springfield Hospital, 21784 - 10:00am - SUN - O - D - This was listed in the June 1992 Baltimore Intergroup directory and stayed listed for a couple of years. No other information is available like, when or who started, why, when stopped, etc. Note: We believe the meeting was started by Paul F. in the Fall of 1990. Because: ( The Sam Shoemaker Alcohol Rehab moved there in September 1990 and then in the Spring of 1991 moved back to Westminster.) We also believe who ever called the Intergroup for listing called too late to be in the May 1991 directory. (In the late 1980's the Regan Center was in the process of moving from 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to 5<sup>th</sup> Street.) We do not know how long the meeting went on, may have been a few months or a couple of years. But we do know in August 1994 the Sam Shoemaker Alcohol Rehab moved back to 5<sup>th</sup> St., Springfield State Hospital, (Warfield Complex ). The first week of September 1994 the Sunday

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Morning Westminster moved there and there was no A Way Out meeting going on. The Sunday Morning Westminster Group met on Sundays at 10:00am. ( for more reference see 1983, Sunday Morning Westminster & Sunday Morning Sykesville Group ). - (\*3\*4\*5)

Westminster - Alcohol Recovery - 9:00am -SUN - (O) (D) - Seventh Day Adventist Church, 320 Crest Lane, 21157. Was believed to have been started by: Bobby K., Russell G. Y. and Edna W., in 1992 and met at the Carroll County Office Building located 225 N. Center St., 21157. We moved to 224 N. Center St. in March 1996. We moved to the Senior Center by December of 1996. We had to relocate five times in different locations in Westminster over the years. We always met on Sunday at 9:00am. GSO service # 000644216 and the history date is May 18<sup>th</sup> 2001. - (\*2\*3\*4 )

Westminster - Smallwood Tuesday Noon Group - noon - TUES - (O) (D) - Deer Park UMC, 2205 Sykesville Rd., 21157. Founders unknown, started about March 13<sup>th</sup> 1992. Original name of the meeting was the **Tuesday Noon Meeting** & was 1<sup>st</sup> listed in the June 1992 Baltimore Intergroup directory. In July 2003 the meeting changed its name to the **Smallwood Tuesday Noon Group**. Sometimes called the **Give It Away To Keep It Group**. GSO service # 000657925 and the history date is November 18<sup>th</sup> 2003. - Note: The start date of March 13<sup>th</sup> 1992 is from the Baltimore Intergroup Office. We talked to Ted S. on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2015. Ted S. remembers in 1993 the meeting was in the old Church building called the Deer Park Chapel. The Deer Park Chapel is owned by the Cemetery and not by the Church. Located across the road from the new Church which was completed and opened in 1995. In the old Deer Park Chapel there was something wrong with the water. So, who ever made coffee had to bring water to make the coffee. In 1995 the new Deer Park United Methodist Church was completed and the group moved into the Church. Attendance was 10 or less people all thru the 1990`s. Believe the meeting moved into the Church in about 1995. In early 1998 Vince was the Chairperson but did not show up most of the time. Big John G. filled in for Vince. Big John had a key to the Church building too. The meeting almost always was a Round Robin type of format. Near the end of 1998 Ted S. was asked to run the Meeting. Ted S. had a few slips until his surrender on January 7<sup>th</sup> 2000. Ted S. run the Smallwood Tuesday Noon Group for 10 or so years. Started setting up the meeting in late 1998 and was Chairperson ( Ted S. at this time did everything was the Chairperson, Secretary, Set up person, Clean up person, Treasure, and bought supplies and Literature ). As time passed it was suggested to Ted to get out of town speakers to share their experience, strength, & hope. Ted visited many Groups in Baltimore and got speakers at the meetings to speak at the Smallwood Tuesday Noon Group. By 2004 more members joined the Group and attendance went up to 40 or more. By 2008-2009 attendance was up to between 60-80 people. In 2009 Ted S. stopped coming to the Group for some reason or another. - (\*2\*3\*4)

**1993**

Eldersburg - Barnyard Varsity Big Book - Freedom Community Center, Rt. 26 & 32, 21784 - 10:00pm - SAT - O - BB - D - Bucky G. started the meeting in early 1993. On October 20<sup>th</sup> 2015 we talked to Bucky G. about the meeting. Bucky G. said: "it was a great meeting, we would read something out of the Big Book, and then discuss it". Bucky also said: " the Telemarketers took over the building and we were asked to leave". Bucky said: " we could here them and they could here us". Bucky felt the Telemarketers paid more rent then us so, that is why we were asked to leave. We know it was listed in the Baltimore Intergroup directory in March 1993 and not listed in the April 1995 directory. This would suggest the meeting started in early 1993 and was gone by 1995. Note: We believe the meeting only lasted a short time, a year or less. (\*4\*5)

Uniontown - Westminster - Uniontown Friday - St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 3330 Uniontown Rd., 21158 - 6:30pm - FRI - O - D - We do not know who started the meeting or why they stopped. Only know that it was listed in the Baltimore Intergroup directory in March 1993 and last listed in January 1996. Was not listed in the June 1997 directory. This would suggest the meeting started in early 1993 and stopped meeting in 1996. (4\*5)

1994

Westminster - **Just For Today Group** -12 noon - THUR - (O) (D) - First Church Of God, 27 North Center St., 21157. This meeting was started strictly for the purpose of signing slips for the Courts. It basically was a meeting to go and have your Court slip signed at 10:30am. At 11:30am. the meeting was over. Then without leaving the building, just 2 doors down, you can visit the DWI Monitor with your signed slip. The office with the DWI Monitor opened their office at 11:00am.

Bob K. (DDMP) contacted and made all the arrangements with the Carroll County Government for the meeting.

The meeting was located at, Carroll Community College, 300 South Center Street, Annex Bldg., Room 119, Westminster. The meeting started in March of 1994 and met on Thursdays at 10:30am. The first Chairperson or sometimes called Secretary was Mike R. The first few weeks there were 6 to 10 in attendance, mostly men. As the months starting passing by Mike R. rotated his job of running the meeting to Dennis D. After a year or so there was some kind of issue with the parking. The meeting had to move.

The meeting moved the 2<sup>nd</sup> time to: the First United Presbyterian Church, Jacob's Lounge, 65 Washington Rd., Westminster. The time was changed to noon but still met on Thursdays. With the new location attendance went up to 30 or 40 and sometimes more people attending. The Chairperson or Secretary was taken over by Frank K. Frank K. tried to make the Court referral slip Meeting into a AA Group. Frank K. used the 12 traditions as a guide. Frank K. also got a Group Service Number from the General Service Office and made contributions as the 7<sup>th</sup> tradition suggests. With Frank` passing away on October 5<sup>th</sup> 2009 they began to have some issues with the Church. The doors opened at 11:45am. No one was allowed to come into the Church earlier except the Coffee Maker. It was said: "someone spoke inappropriately to some of the young people at the Church." After that the Church wanted every body that came to the meeting to sign in. That did not go over very well.

So, the meeting moved for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in March of 2013. The new location is: the First Church Of God, 27 N. Center St., Westminster, 21157. At the 3<sup>rd</sup> location, (present) on Center St. attendance came down to 20 to 30 people attending, (possibly because the meeting room was much smaller ). Marge and Monica now run the meeting, (2013 to the present). GSO history date is August 5<sup>th</sup> 2003 and the service # is 000656678. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Sykesville - **Flohrville Big Book** - 12:00pm - SAT - (O) BB) - Flohrville UMC, 6620 Church St., 21784. In 1994, Mike D. started the **Friends In Recovery Group** and met on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street at the Halfway House. When the Halfway House was to be closed Mike D. asked Mike H. to find a new location for the group. The new location was at Flohrville UMC, 6620 Church St., 21784. In about September of 1997 the Group's name was changed to **Sykesville Big Book**. The groups name was changed again in April 2007 to the **Flohrville Big Book**. GSO service # 000673585 and the history date is August 13<sup>th</sup> 1997. - Note: In 1994 the Halfway House Mike D. run, was at Springfield State Hospital on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, 21784. There was so much red tape with the State it was impossible to comply. So it was shut down. Mike D. passed away on February 12<sup>th</sup> 2013 - (\*2\*3\*4)

1995

Westminster - **Wednesday Night New Life at The Crossroads** - 7:00pm - WED - (O) (D) - Crossroads Community Church, 895 Leidy Rd. 21157 - unknown who were the founders were - was started in October 1995 and was called **Thursday Night New Life Group** - meeting time 8:00pm - Thursday and met at Longwell Professional Bldg., Room 211 Rear Entrance, 77 E. Main St., 21157 - moved February 1996 to Senior Citizens Center, 125 Stoner Ave.- 8:00pm - in November 2010 changed name, time, day of the week, and location to - **Wednesday Night New Life At The Crossroads** - 7:00pm - WED - (O) (D) - Note: does not have a group service number - (\* 4 )

1996

Westminster - **CCC Step Group** - 5:30pm - THUR - Carroll Community Collage, 1601 Washington Rd., room C-71, 21157 - listed as a meeting in February 1996 - then listed in December 1996 as meeting on Thursday at

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3:00 pm in room # C-270 - the format is open step - (NSM) - Note: believe these were in house meetings and no longer meet - they were not listed in the directories only in the bulletin - (\*4\*5)

Hampstead - **Hampstead Tuesday Night Step Group** - 6:30pm (O) (ST) - St. Marks Lutheran Church, 1375 Main St., 21074 - started by Dave R. and Bill B. in February 1996 - GSO service # 000165740 and the history date is February 11<sup>th</sup> 1991 - Note: there is a discrepancy with the start date on the Group History sheet and the GSO history date - Dave R. started the group and wrote the history, it will remain unchanged - January 21<sup>st</sup> 2015 we sent a letter to GSO Archives to verify date - January 28<sup>th</sup> 2015 we got there report back - February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2015 we mailed another letter to GSO about our findings along with the information for them to correct their records - the GSO has the Hampstead Thursday Night Group changing its day of the week, time, format, and its group name to the Hampstead Tuesday Night Step Group which is incorrect - we got GSO reply on February 23<sup>rd</sup> and GSO will not change what they think on the group - GSO still thinks the Hampstead Thursday Night Group just changed their day of the week, format, and time, so it is up in the air, we tried to correct but failed - GSO kept the histories on both groups so, if someone would look at the records it would be clear on what happened - suggest reading our two page letter dated March 25<sup>th</sup> 2015, this will explain more clearly the events on what happened - (\*2\*3\*4)

Westminster - **Turning Point** - 8:00pm - FRI - (O) (D) - Grace Lutheran Church, 21 Carroll St., 21157. Started by Bob K. in 1996 when he was asked by a Priest named Father Isaac to start a AA meeting at the Church. The Meeting was called the **Rainbow Group** and met at St. John` Catholic Church, 43 Monroe St., 21157. Met at 6:30 pm on Friday. By June 2000 the Church needed the room and the meeting stopped. In a few weeks the Church gave Bob K. another room to meet in. By 2003 the Church wanted Bob K. to fill out some kind of property permission paper, he declined to do so. In June of 2003 the meeting moved to Grace Lutheran Church, 22 Carroll St., 21157. By late in 2003 Bob K. turned the meeting over to Sue and Tom R. The time was changed to 7:00 pm. A year or so later the Church was done its renovations and the meeting moved across the street to 21 Carroll St., in the Church. On November 3, 2006 meeting time was changed to 8:00 pm. In February 2011 the meeting changed its name to **Turning Point**. GSO service # 000656677 and the history date is August 5<sup>th</sup> 2003. Note: In the June 25<sup>th</sup> 1996 the Baltimore Bulletin list the **Rainbow Group** as a new meeting. Meeting at 7:30pm. This time listed is incorrect, the meeting time was 6:30pm. Listed as O, D, NSM. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Westminster - **It Feels Good To Be Sober Group** - 12 noon MON. (O) (D) - Church Of The Ascension Church, 23 N. Court St., 21157 - started about July 1996 - unknown who was the founder - February 2009 moved to Living Waters Church, 37 John St., 21157 - after about a year their lease at the church run out so, in 2010 moved to the First Church of God, 27 N. Center St., 21157 - after a few months the church wanted them out so, by year end 2010 the group moved back to where it first started, the Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., 21157 - GSO service # is 000626641 and the history date is December 18<sup>th</sup> 1997 - Note: in 2010 the chairperson or secretary of the group was Gary H. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Eldersburg - **Eldersburg Into Action Group** - 8:00pm - MON - Wesley Freedom UMC, 961 Johnsville Rd., 21784 - 1<sup>st</sup> (ST), 2<sup>nd</sup> (ABSI), 3<sup>rd</sup> (D) last Mon (S) - Was started by Victor K. in November 1996. Note: a early member, Dave R. said; "we met in a private home for some time before moving to Wesley Freedom Church". In May 2007 listed as meeting at Community Life Center behind the Wesley Freedom Methodist Church, 961 Johnsville Rd., @ Liberty Rd. (same location). On October 11<sup>th</sup> 2008 we had a workshop on the History of AA and the Big Book. On November 24<sup>th</sup> 2008 celebrated a 12 year group anniversary. The Group has had workshops on the 12 Traditions and Service, also a workshop from Baltimore Intergroup on How To Make A 12<sup>th</sup> Step Call on April 28<sup>th</sup> 2010. On March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2015 the group had a power point history Presentation called "Founding Moments." GSO service # is 000615873 and the history date is January 21<sup>st</sup> 1997 - (\*2\*3\*4)

**1997**

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Westminster - **Friday Noon Ascension Group** -12 noon - FRI - (O) (BG) - Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., 21157 - believe to have started on April 18th 1997 - unknown who the founders were - April 2007 the group changed its name to - **Sober Survivors** - listed with District 9 as **Friday Noon Ascension** and listed with GSO as **Sober Survivors Group** - GSO service # 000673583 and the history date is December 1<sup>st</sup> 2006 - (\*2\*4)

Eldersburg - **The Eldersburg Group** - 8:30pm - MON - FRI - SAT - (O) - (D) - (NSM) - Springfield State Hospital, Administration Building 4<sup>th</sup> St., 21784. Believed started by Lou & Sandy in October 1997. This was the consolidation of the meetings and groups that met at the Community Center on Rt. # 26 & 32 on different days and times. The Telemarketers took over the building and they had to move. By August 2001 the Mon & FRI meetings stopped meeting. The Saturday 8:30pm. Meeting moved to Salem United Methodist Church at Rolling Rd. & Windsor Mill Rd., 21133, (district 15). - Note: The Community Center Meetings were the, **Community Center** - 7:00pm - Tuesday. The **Eldersburg Friday Night** - 8:30pm - FRI - The **Saturday Night Eldersburg** - 8:30pm - SAT. The **Eldersburg Group** - 8:30pm - WED. The **Saturday Night Blinking Light** - 8:30pm - SAT. And possibly more meetings that are unknown at the present time. (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Wednesday Night Steps To Freedom Group** - 7:00 pm - WED - (O) (BG) (ST) - Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., 21157 - started on February 5<sup>th</sup> 1997 by John H. and Bobby K. and met at the Senior Center, 125 Stoner Ave., 21157 - at the first meeting we had 13 people attend - in March 2008 we moved to the Church of the Ascension, 23 North Court St., Westminster, 21157 and changed our format from open discussion to open beginners step - we read the step from the 12&12 book and then discuss what we have read - Note: does not have a group service number - (\*3\* 4)

**1998**

**Baltimore Intergroup Office** - moved on January 31<sup>st</sup> 1998 to the Shaffer Bldg., second floor: Central Office, 8635 Lock Raven Blvd., Suite 4, 21286 - Phone 410-663-1922 - Note: the executive secretary, Tom F. retired on December 30<sup>th</sup> 1988 and in January 1989 Susan K. becomes new Executive Secretary for the Intergroup. - Tom F. passed away on October 28<sup>th</sup> 1996. - Susan K. retires in June 2014 but stays on as a volunteer until August 2014. At the June 2014 Intergroup Council meeting Jen G. was voted in as the new Executive Secretary and will start in August 2014. - (\* 2010 calendar, Jen G., and the 20 questions pamphlet)

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Manchester - **Third Saturday Breakfast Meeting** - Immanuel Lutheran Church, 3184 Church St., 21102 - started on February 21<sup>st</sup> 1998 by Dave R., Bill B., Glen H., and others - open at 8am - 8:30am to 9:30am., All You Can Eat breakfast - 9:30am. to 10:30am., Open Speaker Meeting - at first attendance was up near 100, in the second year attendance dropped to less than 20 - in order to be self-supporting we needed at least 65 people to attend, in late summer of 1999 we cancelled the breakfast meeting for lack of participation - (\*3 \*4 \*5)

**1999****2000**

Westminster - **Epiphany Group** - 7:00pm - WED - Closed Big Book Step - 1<sup>st</sup> WED Tradition meeting, at 6:00pm we have a Pot Luck or eating meeting, (1<sup>st</sup> WED only) known as our "tasty tradition meeting". At St. Paul's United Church of Christ, 17 Bond St., Westminster, 21157. The founders of the Group were Chuck M., Cass H., and Ruth N. The first meeting was on January 19<sup>th</sup> 2000. Met at Resurrection Farm located on Arters Mill Rd. in Silver Run, 21158. The reason for starting the Group was to bring a meeting close to some homeless people, while seeking sobriety living at Resurrection Farm in Silver Run. At the very first meeting we had 7 or 8 people attend. Due to the Groups location we were able to pull people from Pennsylvania. Over time we have a

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usually attendance of 15 to 20 people attending. Then in 2003 we had to move the group to St. Mary's United Church of Christ, 1441 Mayberry Rd., 21158. In 2012 a tradition issue with the Church occurred and we had to move again. In 2012 we moved to our present location. St. Paul's Church of Christ, 17 Bond St., Westminster. With the different moves we had a issue keeping active home group members and the spirit of rotation was diminished greatly. We still get 15 to 20 people attending but, we only have a small home group member list. GSO history date is August 7<sup>th</sup> 2001 and service # 000645533. With no one except Ruth N. to set up and run the meeting for over 3 years Ruth N. decided to close the doors and stop meeting. The last meeting was on January 13<sup>th</sup> 2016. Note: Ruth N. said, "this is not a spin off of the Bond & Green Group." - (\*2\*3\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Beginners Support Group** - 8:00 pm - FRI - Senior Center, 125 Stoner Ave., 21157 - unknown who started or why stopped - (\*4\*5)

Westminster - **Carroll County Newcomers** - 8:00 pm - TUES - (C) (D) - Professional Bldg., Suite 204, 1643 Liberty Rd., 21784 - started about June 2000 - unknown who were the founders - listed in the bulletin as "Discontinued" June 2009 - (\*4\*5)

**2001**

**2002**

Sykesville - **Sykesville Wednesday Beginners** - 7:00 pm - WED - (O) (BB) - 1<sup>st</sup> Wed step 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed step 2, 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed step 3, 4<sup>th</sup> Wed importance of a home group and sponsor, 5<sup>th</sup> Wed big book first 164 pages, how to recover with the steps and live in the solution and not the problem - Springfield Hospital Center, Medical Services Bldg., 4<sup>th</sup> St., 21784 - first meeting was March 2002 at the Warfield Bldg., 5<sup>th</sup> St., Springfield Hospital Center, 21784, (sometimes called the Regan Center or Regan Bldg.) - May 2003 moved to the Springfield Hospital Medical Services Building, 4<sup>th</sup> St., 21784 - moved to Next Step (long term treatment center) in 2011 - in 2012 moved back to the Springfield Hospital Medical Services Bldg., 4<sup>th</sup> St.- 21784 - the founders were Dan W., Chris F., and Ron J., at the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting Paul F. joined and has been very active ever since - Dan, Chris, and Ron no longer attend - listed on March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2004 as a new meeting already in existence. On March 19<sup>th</sup> 2008, from 7pm to 9pm will celebrated a 6 year Group anniversary at the Big "G" Building on 4<sup>th</sup> St., not the usual meeting place - GSO service # 000661355 and the history date is March 6<sup>th</sup> 2004 - June 2015 the meeting time was changed to meet at 7:30pm - Note: Paul F. passed away sober on July 20<sup>th</sup> 2015 - (\*2\*3\*4)

**2003**

Westminster - **Gratitude In Action Group** - 8:00pm - TUES - St. Benjamin Lutheran Church, 700 Kriders Cemetery Rd., 21158. Started in August 2003 and met at the Westminster Church Of Christ, 1731 Littlestown Pike, at Lamb Drive, 21158. Don W. & others started the meeting. In 2004 Don W. had some kind of issue with some group members and stopped coming. The church was being sold so at the end of May 2012 the group decided to moved to St. Benjamin Lutheran Church, 700 Kriders Cemetery Rd., 21158. The format is open 1<sup>st</sup> (ST) - 2<sup>nd</sup> (ABSI) - 3<sup>rd</sup> (BB) - 4<sup>th</sup> (S). - GSO service # 000655950 and the history date is June 15<sup>th</sup> 2003. - (\*2\*3\*4)

Westminster - **There Is Solution** - 10:00am - SAT - (O) -(D)- On Our Own, 27 E. Main St., Rear, Second Floor, Westminster, 21157 - started by Rocky I. and Dave G. in May 2003 and met until the Fall of 2005 - the Granite House did not want AA there any more so we stopped meeting - Note: the Own Our Own of Carroll County had a different 12 step program and their meetings were called Double Trouble - (\*3\*5)

Westminster - **There Is Hope** - 10:00am - SUN - (O) - (D) - Own Our Own, 27 E. Main Street, Rear, Second Floor, Westminster, 21157 - started by JD in May 2003 and met until the Fall of 2005 - the Granite House did not want AA there any more so we stopped meeting - Note: the Own Our Own of Carroll County had a different 12 step program and their meetings were called Double Trouble - (\*3\*5)

**2004**

Westminster - **Early Risers Group** - 6:30am. - Monday thru Saturday - all open meetings - St. Paul's Church of Christ, 17 Bond St., Westminster, 21157 - started on or about, August 11<sup>th</sup> 2004 on Wednesday at 6:30am and evolved from there - first meeting place was at the Westminster Recovery Center, 126 E. Main St., 21157 - by June 2005 meet 6:30 am. on Tues-Wed-Thru-Fri - later to meet six days a week Monday thru Saturday - the founders of the many meetings are unknown at this time - in March of 2009 the **Saturday Sunrise** was started - 7:00am - (O) (D) - by early 2013 became part of the **Early Risers Group** - moved on April 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 to St. Paul's Church of Christ, 17 Bond St., 21157, because the Westminster Recovery Center moved and the lease was in another persons hand, the rent was raised and became too high to pay - GSO service # 000668390 and the history date is November 7<sup>th</sup> 2005 - Monday is a (BG), Tuesday is a (ST), Wednesday is a (BB), Thursday is a (DR), Friday is a (P), Saturday is a (S) - Note: March 2008 added a closed Grapevine meeting on Saturday - Discontinued Saturday on November 2008, this day only - the evolution of the group has had on some days two meetings at the same time, some meeting formats did not work, they are a work in progress - (\*2\*3\*4)

**2005**

Manchester - **Monday Night Grapevine** - 8:00pm .- MON - (O) (GV) - Immanuel Lutheran Church, 3184 Church St., 21102. Said to been started by John C. on, January 31<sup>st</sup> 2005, who lives across the road from the Church. A disagreement with the Manchester Saturday Night Step people was why the Grapevine meeting was started. John C. started the meeting and was there a few weeks then, turned it over to Gary M. (Gary M. passed away sober on February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2011 ). - Note: The January 31<sup>st</sup> 2005 is the history date from the Baltimore Intergroup Office. Does not have a group service number. - (\*3\*4)

Eldersburg-Woodbine - **Open Arms Women's Group** - 7:30pm - WED - Closed Discussion - Ebenezer United Methodist Church, 4910 Woodbine Rd., ( Rt. 94 ), 21784 - Believed started in early 2005 and stopped meeting in late 2007 or early 2008. Unknown who started the meeting or why they stopped. Note: Meeting was listed in the District 9 W&W for June 2005, May 2006, & August 2007 only. (\*2\*5)

Westminster - **A Way Up And A Way Out** - 7:30pm - THUR - (O) (D) - Westminster Recovery Center, 126 E. Main St., 21157 - listed as a new group in the July 19<sup>th</sup> 2005 bulletin - "Discontinued" June 2013 - do not know who started the meeting.- rent became too much to pay - the Westminster Recovery Center moved and the lease on the building was transferred to someone else.- all AA meetings that were held there moved some where else in April 2014 - (\*4\*5)

New Windsor - **Great Reality Group** - 9:30pm - FRI - (steps 1-2-3) - St. Luke` Lutheran Church, Route 75, New Windsor, 21776 - started by Sylvia and Wayne F. in October of 2005 - listed as a new Group again in bulletin on October 2006 meeting at 9:30 pm., and a open discussion meeting - St. Luke's Church, 701 Green Valley Rd., Rt. 75 - 21776 - listed time change to 9:00 pm. in July 2008 - Group stopped meeting because of low attendance by April 2014 - GSO service # 000670133 and the history date is October 14<sup>th</sup> 2005 - (\*2\*3\*4\*5)

**2006**

Westminster - **On Our Own of Carroll County** - 1pm - TUES - (O) (D) - "Living Sober book" - On Our Own of Carroll County, 27 E. Main St., rear (second floor), Westminster Exchange, 21157 - started in January 2006 by Gary G. at the request of Janet J. - there were 10 people at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting - March 2006 changed its name to **Living Sober Starting Over** - 1pm - (O) (L) - August 2006 moved to On Our Own of Carroll County, 265 E. Main St., 21157 - attendance now is from 15 to 20 people - Note: does not have a group service number - (\*3\*4)

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**Finksburg - Early Starters Young Persons** - 8:00pm - FRI - (O) (D) - Alt. Format - Mt. Zion Church, 3006 Old Westminster Pike, 21048 - started in March 2006 - unknown who were the founders and why the meeting was started or stopped - November 29<sup>th</sup> 2006 was listed in the District 9 directory as the **Finksburg Early Starters Group** meeting on Friday at 8:00pm and the format was 1<sup>st</sup> Friday step, 2<sup>nd</sup> topic, 3<sup>rd</sup> speaker, 4<sup>th</sup> daily reflection - listed as "Discontinued" in August 2007, Baltimore Intergroup bulletin - GSO service # 000670188 and the history date is March 17<sup>th</sup> 2006 - (\*2\*4\*5)

**Westminster - Carroll Street Speakers** - 7:30pm - TUES - (O) (S) - Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 21 Carroll St, south vestibule entrance, 21157 - started June 13<sup>th</sup> 2006 by Don W. and others - September 2006 time change to 8pm - March 2008 time changed to 7:30 pm.- "Discontinued" June 2009 - GSO service # is 000671373 and the history date is June 10<sup>th</sup> 2006 - Note : listed as disbanded as of July 2007 from the revisions for the district 9 directory so, the 2008 and 2009 information from the Baltimore Intergroup may be incorrect - (\*2\*4\*5)

**Westminster - Westminster Steps To Grace** - 7:00 pm - TUES (O) (BG) - Grace Lutheran Church, 21 Carroll St., 21157 - started about August 2006 and "discontinued" in February 2007 - unknown who started and why they ended - Note: was listed as meeting 7:00pm to 7:30pm - (\*4\*5)

**2007**

**Westminster - Unidad Group** - Church of the Ascension, 23 N. Court St., Westminster, 21157 - Jose asked Tom Van H. to help him set up a meeting time with the Church for a Monday at 7:00pm. This is history in the making, the first Spanish speaking meeting in District 9. Jose spoke Spanish and there was a need for a Spanish Speaking meeting in the District. The First meeting was attended by Tom Van H., Jose, and Carlos V. The Meeting was scheduled for Thursdays at 7:30pm to 8:30pm., ( O ) ( D ). After the first meeting Jose stopped attending and Tom Van H. no longer attended since, Tom could not read, speak, or understand Spanish. Carlos V. spread a flyer around the county in late 2006 and early 2007 with 2 contact names, Carlos V. and Jose P., with their phone numbers. Attendance grew as the Department of Probation started sending individuals, ordered by the Court, to attend AA Meetings. Later in 2008 another person named Eduardo started attending and sharing the operation of the meeting with Carlos V. In the middle of 2009 Carlos V. stopped coming. Eduardo remained running the meeting. At this point the Group changed its days of the week to Wednesday and Friday meeting from 7:00pm to 8:30pm., instead of an hour. The **Unidad Group** stopped meeting in mid-year 2012 for unknown reasons - Note: the Unidad Group was only listed in the District 9 directory and the only reference in the District 9 minutes is on June 19<sup>th</sup> 2007 saying, "the Spanish speaking meeting is going well." Carlos V. provided the information on December 18<sup>th</sup> 2015. In talking to Carlos on January 12<sup>th</sup> 2016 he said, "the cleaning crew at the Church would have to clean so, the meeting would have to be over and out of the Church by 9:00pm." - (\*2\*3\*5)

**Westminster - Westminster Fresh Start** - 8:00am - SUN - (O) (DR) - Crossroads Community Church, 895 Leidy Rd., Westminster, 21157. Started on March 10<sup>th</sup> 2007 and our meeting time was 8:00am. The founders were, Chris C., Harvey, and Patrick. The first meeting had only 3 people attend. By March 2015 we have 15-20 people attend. On June 12<sup>th</sup> 2016 the Church wanted us to meet ½ hour earlier so, we changed our meeting time to 7:30am. - GSO history date is May 17<sup>th</sup> 2009 and the service # 000689190 - (\*2\*3)

**2008**

**Westminster - 818 Open Discussion Meeting** also known as **818 Spiritual Awakening Group** - 7:00pm - WED - (O) (D) - 818 Littlestown Pike, 21157 - (park in rear) - started in July 2008 - listed on District 9 web page as having a 6 year group anniversary on July 23<sup>rd</sup> 2014 - on September 17<sup>th</sup> 2014 moved to the Triangle Recovery Club, 2 North Court St., 21157 - also a time change to 6:30 pm. - founding members were Tim W., Megan W., Ricky P., and Charlie B. - started as the **818 Men's Group** in July 2008 and meet on Sundays - in 2011 changed to the **818 Spiritual Awakening Group** - the **818 Men's Group** is listed with GSO service #

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000695676 and the history date March 1<sup>st</sup> 2010 and no longer meet - the **818 Spiritual Awakening Group** GSO service # 000712728 history date 2014 - Note: with the name change, time change, and the location change, when GSO received this request there was a misunderstanding - this is all the same group but, was issued a new group service # 000712728. The 818 men's group that met on Sundays no longer meet. - (\* 2\*3 )

**2009**

Taneytown - **Ladies Night Out** - 8:00pm Monday (O) (D) - Grace Church Of Christ, 49 W. Baltimore St.- 21787 -started on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2009 - unknown who started - "Discontinued" June 2009 - service # 000688179 - (\*4\*5 )

Westminster - **Westminster Rescue** - 7:00pm - THUR - (O) (D) (BB) - Westminster Rescue Mission, 658 Lucabaugh Mill Rd., 21158 - started in March 2009 - unknown who started - "Discontinued" June 2009 - (\*4\*5 )

Eldersburg - **Thursday Night Woman's** - 7:00pm - THUR - (O) (S) - St. Joseph Catholic Church, 915 Liberty Rd., Liberty and Freedom Ave., 21784 - started April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009 by Linda P., Sue W., Sue B., and Cinda N. - group started for women to have a safe place to go - started as a open speaker discussion meeting - first meeting had near 20 women attend - GSO service # 000696063 and the history date is April 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 - Note: listed in the District 9 directory as the **Thursday Night Women's Meeting** - may have been a offshoot of Eldersburg Noon Group ? - (\*2\*3\*4)

**2010**

Manchester - **Melrose Beginners Meeting** - 8:00pm - WED - (O) (BG) - Cornerstone Church, 4217 Hanover Pike, Manchester, 21102 - started in December 2010 by Francis A., Craig, Dave, and Mark.- GSO service # 000702248 and the history date is September 24<sup>th</sup> 2011 - (\*2\* 3 )

Manchester - **4<sup>th</sup> Saturday Breakfast/Speaker Meeting** - fellowship 8:30am - eat 9:00am - open speaker 10:00 am - Immanuel Lutheran Church, 3184 Church St., 21102 - started by Dave R., Bill B., Dave G., and Glen H., with the idea of trying the breakfast/speaker meeting again - first meeting April 24<sup>th</sup> 2010 - Cost \$5.00 - we had two speakers one a man and the other a woman, each would talk about one half hour - attendance started at 26 people and got as high as 132 people - in order to be self-supporting we needed at least 65 people to attend - in 2013 attendance dropped to 45 a few months and the average was 55 - once again we closed the breakfast/speaker meeting in August 2013 - Note: the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday breakfast/speaker meeting started February 21<sup>st</sup> 1998 and closed late summer of 1999 was started by the same people with the same idea - (\*3\*4\*5)

**2011**

Westminster - **A Message Of Hope** - 8:30pm - FRI - (O) (S) - Westminster UMC, 165 E. Main St., 21157. Believe started November 2011. Unknown who is the founders. In April 2013 was "discontinued," for a short time then started having meetings again. We don't know when? - Note: We do not have a group history and are unsure of the details of the meeting. Does not have a group service number. The discontinued in April 2013 was out of the Baltimore Intergroup bulletin, dated 4-23-13, may have been a miss communication. - (\*4 )

Sykesville - **Thursday Night Men's Meeting** - 7:00pm - closed discussion - alt Literature - Flohrville UMC, 6620 Church St. @ Central Ave., 21784. Started October 2011 and was called **Flohrville Thursday Night Men's**. The founder of the meeting is George Brille. George B. thought there was a need of a Men's meeting. George B. went to the Flohrville UMC and asked, "If it was possible to have a Thursday evening meeting in their Church"? The Church said yes. George B. also asked Neil Howes to help with the meeting. Neil H. said yes and became a co-founder. The meeting is thought to be a spin off of the Eldersburg Noon Group. The format is: 1<sup>st</sup> week (BB), 2<sup>nd</sup> (D), 3<sup>rd</sup> (ABSI), 4<sup>th</sup> (TRD). - Note: does not have a group service number - (\*3\*4)

**2012**

Taneytown - **Topic Meeting of AA** - 7:30pm - Thursday - (O) (D) (Topic) - Trinity Lutheran Church, 38 W. Baltimore St., 21787 - 7:30pm - Believed to have been started by Steve H. in early 2012. There was a Wednesday noon meeting that met at the same location. We do not know when the Wednesday noon started but, we know the noon meeting no longer meet. Steve H. may have started? We have no information on why the Wed. noon started or why the Thursday meeting started. We know the Group Information Sheet from GSO dated December 2014 lists the contact as Steve H. and meet on Thursday at 7:30pm. The Group Information Sheet also lists the group service number of the Taneytown Step Group that stopped meeting December 2010. - Note: First listed in the Spring 2012 District 9 directory but under the name of the Taneytown Step Group. First listed in the West Central Intergroup Spring 2013 directory under the Topic Meeting Of AA. In the Spring of 2015 the group was said to be something other than AA called a Hybrid Group, what ever that means? Something along the lines of a NA group or multipurpose meeting. Was taken out of the West Central Intergroup directory in the Winter of 2014 and out of the District 9 Spring 2015 directory, (meeting still going on but not AA any more). As of June 2015 Steve H. is talking with West Central Intergroup and trying to get listed again in the directory. Breaking the 12 traditions, remembering what our founder Bill W. said: "we can not be all things to all people". 1<sup>st</sup> Unity, 4<sup>th</sup> affecting other groups, 5<sup>th</sup> primary purpose, 6<sup>th</sup> affiliation actual or implied, 12<sup>th</sup> Sprit of Sacrifice. - (\*2\*4) ( \* 5 )

Westminster - **Barnyard Variety Big Book** - 8:00pm - WED - (O) (D) (BB) - First United Presbyterian Church, 65 Washington Rd., 21157 - the founder of the meeting may have been Buckie G. on June 6<sup>th</sup> 2012 - "discontinued" in September 2012 - Note: meeting only met for about 3 months. - (\*4\*5)

Eldersburg - **Lakeview Live** - 8:00pm - WED - (O) (T) - Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, 2205 Old Liberty Rd., 21784 - started in the August or September 2012 by Chuck C., Paul, and Greg L., they are from the Klee Mill Thursday Night Group - on September 7<sup>th</sup> 2014 the meeting added a Sunday meeting at 8:30 pm - GSO service # 000706570 and the history date is October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012 - (\*2\* 3 )

**2013**

Taneytown - **Taneytown Topic** - 7:30pm - FRI - (O) (S) - Grace United Church Of Christ, 49 W. Baltimore St., 21787 - started by RJ and Anthony in January 2013. - in October 2014 meeting merged with the Taneytown Group which meets on Tuesday Night - same location, people, and time - December 2014 changed the format to a Big Book - (\*3)

Westminster - **Trudging The Road Group** - 7:30pm - THUR - closed discussion - Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 21 Carroll St., 21157 - (enter from Kemper Ave. side) - started on October 17<sup>th</sup> 2013 by Rocky I. - supporting people that were there from the start were Linda I., Kevin D., and Randy K. - Randy K. gave the Group a Coffee Pot to get started - first meeting had 7 in attendance - GSO service # 000710622 and the history date is October 17<sup>th</sup> 2013 - (\*2\* 3 )

**2014**

Eldersburg - **South Carroll Beginners Group** - 7:00pm - WED - ( 1<sup>st</sup> three steps) - South Carroll Senior & Community Center, (bingo room) 5928 Mineral Hill Road, 21784. Started on January 8<sup>th</sup>. 2014. The founders are Pam and Al H., Neicie J. and Tom M. There were 18 in attendance on the very first meeting. The original group name was **Beginners Steps to Freedom** but was changed after a couple of weeks because there was another group with the same name and on the same night in the District 9. We use the 12 & 12 book to discuss the 1<sup>st</sup> step on the 1<sup>st</sup> week, 2<sup>nd</sup> step on the 2<sup>nd</sup> week, 3<sup>rd</sup> step on the 3<sup>rd</sup> week and on the 4<sup>th</sup> week we discuss steps 1, 2, and 3, using the big book as our guide. If there is a 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday we use the same format as the 4<sup>th</sup> week. Note: In the October 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 Baltimore Intergroup Bulletin is listed as a new group. Listed meeting on Wednesday at 7pm as a O - D - H - group. In talking with Neicie J. and Tom on September 27<sup>th</sup> 2015 Tom said:

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“It is the same meeting, the **South Carroll Beginners Group** only listed incorrectly by the Intergroup“. It is believed to be a off shoot of the Eldersburg Noon Group. Is listed in the Baltimore Intergroup Directory but not listed in the District 9 directory. The DCM stated in early 2014, “the meeting is on the edge of being a Special or Multipurpose Group and the members asked not to be listed in the District 9 directory“. Listed for the first time in the Spring 2016 District 9, Where & When as the **Beginning Steps To Freedom**. Meeting does not have a group service number. - ( \*2\*3 \*4)

Westminster - **One Day At A Time** - 12 Noon - MON - closed big book - Carroll Lutheran Village, St., Matthew Ct., Community Room, 21158 - was started by Kit B. and Geri O. - first meeting October 11<sup>th</sup> 2013 and had 3 in attendance - Kit and Geri seen the need of a group in a retirement community - ( \*3\*4 )

Manchester - **Melrose Wednesday Noon** - Noon - WED - (O) (BB) - Cornerstone Church, 4217 Hanover Pike, 21102 - started by Lisa D. and John H. with Francis A., and Mary F. in support - there were no AA meetings in the Manchester area that met at noon time, we seen a need for one - first meeting was on July 9<sup>th</sup> 2014, there were 9 people in attendance - GSO service # 000713113 and the history date is July 9<sup>th</sup> 2014 - ( \*2\*3 )

Triangle Recovery Club - 2 North Court St., Westminster, 21157 - opened beginning of September 2014 - Note: New Club opened by Tim W., the meetings and Groups at the Triangle Recovery Club are evolving and changing - ( \*2\*3 )

Westminster - **Westminster Downtown Group** - 9:00am - SUN - (O) (step11) - Triangle Recovery Club, 2 North Court St., 21157 - started on September 28<sup>th</sup> 2014 - ( \*3 )

Westminster - **Stepping Out Step Study Group** - 8:00pm - THUR - closed step, 5<sup>th</sup> Week (TRD) - Triangle Recovery Club, 2 North Court St., 21157 - started on September 18<sup>th</sup> 2014 - the founders were Kathy H. and Chris O., the group is a closed literature discussion group - six people attended the very first meeting - GSO service # 000715031 and the history date early 2015 - ( \*2\*3 )

Westminster - **Westminster Women’s Group** - 8:00 pm - WED - (O) (BB) - Triangle Recovery Club, 2 North Court St., 21157 - started by Shannan C. and Erin R. - first meeting September 24<sup>th</sup> 2014 - ( \*3 )

Westminster - **Upon Awakening Group** - 7:00 am - Monday thru Saturday - (O) (D) - Triangle Recovery Club, 2 North Court St., 21157 - Started on October 6<sup>th</sup> 2014, unknown who were the founders. GSO history date is 2015 and the service #000714509. - ( \*2\*3 )

Westminster - **Friday Night Frenzie Group** - 8:00pm - FRI - (O) (D) - Triangle Recovery Club, 2 North Court St., 21157 - Started on September 26<sup>th</sup> 2014 & the founder believe to be Sylvia F. GSO history date is 2015 and the service #000716216. - ( \*2 )

Westminster - **Night Owl** - 12:00am midnight - SAT - (O) (D) - Triangle Recovery Club, 2 North Court St., 21157 - unknown who started - started November 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 - Note: Tim W. notified the District on May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2015 that the meeting has stopped - ( \*2\*5 )

**2015**

Eldersburg - **Welcome Group** - 12 noon - Mon & Fri - Open - Flohrville UMC, 6620 Church St., 21784 - Started by George B., first meeting was on July 20<sup>th</sup> 2015, with 12 people attending and reading the big book as a topic of discussion. The second meeting was on Friday July 24<sup>th</sup> 2015 and the topic was the reading and discussing the 12 & 12 book, with 12 people attending. At first the meeting had no name. In the late evening of July 31<sup>st</sup> George B. came up with a name, the Welcome Group. It is believed to be a off shoot of the Eldersburg Noon Group. - ( \*3 )

**2016**

Westminster- Bond & Green - 7:00pm - WED - Closed - Literature. First meeting was on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2016. Note: With the closing of the Epiphany Group on January 13<sup>th</sup> 2016 the **Bone & Green Group** added a Wednesday meeting. - (\*3)

Westminster - A Vision For You - 10:00pm - SAT - O - D - Triangle Recovery Club, 2 N. Court St., Westminster, Md., 21157. Started by Pat M. First meeting was on January 16<sup>th</sup> 2016. Pat M. said he seen a need for a later meeting on Saturday nights. - (\*3)

Westminster - Second Chance Sunday - 7:00pm - SUN - O - BB, 1<sup>st</sup> 164 pages. Triangle Recovery Club, 2 N. Court St., Westminster, Md., 21157. Unknown who was the founders. The first meeting was on January 17<sup>th</sup> 2016. - (\*3)

Taneytown - Taneytown 12 Step Group - 7:30pm - THUR - O - Speaker - H - Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 38 W. Baltimore St., Taneytown, 21787. Unknown who or why started. Believed started in January 2016. Listed for the first time in the West Central Intergroup Winter 2016. Note: At the West Central Intergroup meeting on April 27<sup>th</sup> 2016 there was some discussion about this meeting regarding, “ Is This a AA Meeting?” On April 28<sup>th</sup> Howard L. (WCI Web Chair) stopped to investigate the meeting. Howard said the door was locked, a person was there for the meeting, but no one showed up. ( \*4 West Central Intergroup)(\*5)

Westminster - We Are Not Saints - 9:00pm - SAT - O - BB - Step 1-4 - (5<sup>th</sup> week L)- St Paul`s Church Of Christ, 17 Bond St., 21157. The founder was David B. & the very first meeting was on April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016. David believed there is a need for a 9:00pm meeting in the Westminster area. Note: listed for the first time in the Spring 2016, District 9 Where & When.

Footnotes:\*1- Eastern United States Directory.

\*2- Group Handbook-Area 29 Archives or MGS or District

\*3- Communication with Home Group or Early Member.

\*4- Baltimore Intergroup-Directory and or bulletin.

\*5- No Longer Meet.

**NOTE:** Completed by Luther W., District 9, Archives. From the information that is available. The dates and years are as correct as possible at the present time but, is subject to change if new information is received.

All Maryland groups started at 8:30 pm. in the early years, unless listing a different time.

The GSO service number and or history date is from GSO. Service numbers came in the mid 1970`s and districts came in in the early 1980`s. Some of the listings was from the Eastern United States Directory.

Thanks to Francis S., M.G.S. Area 29 Archives Chair and to many other people.

( Note: was added by Luther W. )

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PLEASE let us know about any information we do not have or any corrections to be made.

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