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Dear Friends,

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In September, 1972 a group of local pastors, an attorney, and medical doctor incorporated Alpha Counseling Services, with State of Washington, as a non-profit Christian, Bible based, counseling ministry.

In 1990 I became the counselor for Alpha. At that time Alpha charged fees, on a sliding scale and billed insurances.

Alpha's name comes from Revelation 21:6 *And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life **without payment.**"*

From this verse I became convinced Alpha should be a faith ministry (without payment) so Alpha's board voted to no longer charge any fee for counseling starting in 1993! God has continued, in many interesting ways, to provide for Alpha over all these years.

It is interesting that several large area churches now have staff counselors who charge fees. We are pleased to help the folks who can't afford to pay those fees.

Alpha's ministry helps people from five local counties and with helping many military families we have had contact with people stationed in many different places. We continue to believe that the Bible has answers that are effective and can help people with many different problems.

Our ministry at Alpha has now been active 35 years and we have counseled over 30,000 hours.

Please continue to pray for the wisdom and strength needed to help people struggling in our present times. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Richard