



WISEMAN MINISTRIES, INC. NEWSLETTER

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“If for only one”

Grace Partners:

Wiseman Ministries, Inc. is a non-profit, 501c(3) organization. Our ministry operates solely on donations from individuals, churches, businesses and organizations. Please prayerfully consider becoming a Grace Partner. As a Grace Partner, you join with us to fulfill Matthew 25 & Isaiah 58 by providing food to the hungry, clothing to the needy, shelter to the homeless, to minister to those in prison and to help liberate those controlled by addictions.

Mission Statement:

To make disciples who know Christ, share Christ, and multiply Christ in the lives of others.



Apr/ May Servant Leader:
Todd H.

Resale Store

The Last Friday of Every Month

G.O.G. FOR \$7.00

With Clothing & Shoes ONLY



Highlights



Longview residents pose for yearly photo



Jody M. with his family for Mother's Day

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Our most distinguished alumni, Mud Dog (James), moving food donations.



Carlos M. grilling some meat donated by New Beginnings Church.

“From the Heart” by Tim Wiseman, Executive Director

“To see yourself as anything other than God’s masterpiece is to devalue and distort your true identity. And it’s in discovering your true identity that your true destiny is revealed.” (From *Soulprint* by Mark Batterson)



Ministries Include:



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“My Story” by Joshua Pair, HOD Program Graduate



Laying down the drugs, leaving everything behind, giving away most of what I owned and burning the rest were the first steps before I came to House of Disciples on April 8, 2014. Junkie, Dropout, and Dope Head were terms I felt described the person I'd become. For 10 years coke, heroin, and meth played a part of my personal private life. Using was a secret, but it was never enough. So I was using more to be “normal” and it started showing in my thought process and physical appearance. I wanted have a different life because this was not working. House of Disciples changed my life. Committing a year to ministry and recovery shaped my perspective. During devotion every morning, reading my Bible and building a relationship with Christ became a healthy routine. It was in devotion where I realized that God had been with me all along, but the things I thought were important and a priority got in the way. Psalm 119:71 “It is good for me that I was afflicted, That I may learn Your statutes. 72 The law of Your mouth is better to me Than thousands of gold and silver pieces.”

Nothing left but God, and what he has already done for me. This alone gave me peace, contentment, and happiness that I've tried to achieve with substance abuse. There is no comparison. God has added so much to my life. First Baptist Church of Longview's congregation adopted me quickly with so much love. Pastor Hilliard, Tom Webster and Jacob Ramos, became like family so quickly. They have shared their time and wisdom in leading worship as mentors. Currently I am attending ETBU under Dr. Webster and Andrew Pressley studying music ministry. 2 Corinthians 1: We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life itself. 9 “Indeed, we felt we had received the sentence of death. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead. 10 He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us again. On him we have set our hope that he will continue to deliver us, 11 as you help us by your prayers. Then many will give thanks on our behalf for the gracious favor granted us in answer to the prayers of many.” A product of God's love and grace, now I have the opportunity as a new addition in the House of Disciples Band and its prison ministry.

HOD Band Update

Mark Rasberry's wailing Fender Stratocaster gave House of Disciples Band their signature blues/rock sound. For nine years, Mark traveled with the band playing prison tours, church events, outreaches and biker rallies. Since the very beginning, Mark Rasberry helped lay the foundation to Wiseman Ministries, Inc. which lead to the development of the House of Disciples Life Recovery Program and served on the Board of Directors for many years. We appreciate every way he has contributed to this ministry. He has truly set a new standard for all of us. We pray



for blessings in his retirement, and that he will catch a lot of fish!

New additions to the band are HOD program graduates, Joshua Pair (Guitar) and Darren Baker (Vocalist).

Volunteer Highlight

Our Volunteer Highlight is Steve & Shirley Fink. They have been an absolute blessing to the ministry and must be exhausted from countless volunteer hours and hundreds of meals cooked. It seems that they are always ready to help in any way they can. God Bless You! If you would like to volunteer, please call 903-234-2341.



Bibles Donated:

We want to give a special thanks to Mardel's for the donation of Bibles and handbooks for our residents! Many of the men who come to us do not have a bible. They are much appreciative.



April Birthdays:



Todd H., Jon L., and Chuck F. with Ms. Meyer

May Birthdays:



Leslie H. and Joseph B.

How You Can Help:

- Pray for us
- Donate supplies
- Volunteer at the Gifts of Grace Resale Store
- Become a Mentor
- Become a Grace Partner

Gifts of Grace Resale Monthly Promotions:

- Every Tuesday: 10% Senior Discount Day
- Every Wednesday: Double Punch on Frequent Shopper Cards
- Last Friday of Month: \$7 Fill-A-Bag Sale

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H.O.D. - Mission Texoma

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House of Disciples

You Are Cordially Invited To The Summer 2015 Graduation Ceremony

Friday, June 12, 2015 at 7:00 PM
First Baptist Church - Theatre Room
209 E. South St.
Longview, TX



Reception will follow at the House of Disciples.