

“If for only one”
Luke 5:4-7

How You Can Help:

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

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.



Congratulations to John D., Jeremy R., Will C., and Jeremy W. for receiving certificates for being Servant Leaders for the month of July.



Current photo of our 1st graduates from Mar 2010
 Mike Milford Brett

“My Story” by Zach Cheatham, HOD Resident



When I checked into the House of Disciples (HOD) on August 2, 2011, I was on a road of destruction and chaos. HOD was my last chance. I had exhausted all my resources and burned too many bridges. I was at rock bottom and could see no way out. I was in Satan’s domain, lost in chaos and confusion. I came crawling up the steps of HOD willing to do whatever it took to gain a relationship with the Lord. I wanted to be set free from my bondage to sin and delivered from my old life-style. After entering the program, I sought the Lord “intentionally” everyday, asking Him to renew my mind and to work in my life. Since coming to HOD, God has begun a transformation in me that has delivered and set me free. He did the impossible in my life. He has renewed my mind, so that I can clearly see and has delivered me from many strongholds. Relationships with my family have been restored. I am now forever “sold out” to Jesus Christ. My favorite scripture is Romans 6:6, “Our old sinful

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elves were crucified with Christ, so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin.” That tells me not to struggle with my yesterdays. The bible says our old self was crucified with Jesus. That man died with Christ. My old angry, sick and confused self died with Christ. He took my old ways to the cross with Him.

Being here for a year has shown me how to have a sober life, while still being able to do things which are fun; like playing softball, going to the lake and using the ROC workout facility. I am very grateful for a place like HOD. A place like this has allowed me to discipline myself, so that I could put the Lord first in my life before all things. I’ve learned to be a servant leader by humbling myself and serving others through work projects, food drives and other services we provide to the community. The guest speakers, teachers, volunteers, along with the classes and bible studies offered by HOD, are reasons for my inclination and devotion to the Lord. They were a guide for my development of character and my relationship with Jesus Christ. To God be the glory.

First Baptist Church Holds Fundraiser For HOD

First Baptist Church in Longview held a fundraiser on Sunday, July 29, to raise funds for a new roof and dining room for the House of Disciples. The White Chocolate ministry team was invited to participate in the morning service and Brett Foster shared his testimony. The main event was held at noon in the Great Hall and included catered food, testimonies by residents and graduates of the House of Disciples, a concert by White

Chocolate and vision casting by Tim Wiseman and Phill Briggs. There was a great turnout and we appreciate all the kindness and generosity we have been shown by the members and staff of First Baptist. Previously, a similar fundraiser was sponsored by First Baptist to raise funds for us a new kitchen. In the past year, we have served 32,380 meals on site out of this kitchen. What a major blessing this has been!



Proverbs 19:17 (NIV), “He who is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will reward him for what he has done.”

July 4th on the Lake

On July 4th the staff and residents of the House of Disciples were invited out to the Madewell's home on Lake Palestine. The men had a fantastic time. We grilled hot dogs for lunch and grilled chicken for dinner. Pastor Brian from New Heights Church brought over his boat and pulled the men around the lake on a tube. It was a blast. We even got a photo of Emmett pulling up a catfish that he noodled with his bare hands. Thanks to everyone that helped.



Baptism Service



Pathway Church held a baptism service on Sunday night, July 22, at the home of Johnny Collier. Two of our HOD men, Jeremy W. and Stafon R., were baptized by Pastor Marty Strait. Water Baptism is a public declaration of your intention to follow Christ and live your life for him. It is the event that launches us forward on our spiritual journey of growth in God. We are so pleased that we were a part of this important event in the lives of these two men.

LETU Youth help GOG

Gifts of Grace (GOG) Resale Store had a huge helping hand on July 11th. About 80 youth from a church camp at Letourneau University came out to the warehouse to help sort donated items for the store. They literally did weeks worth of work in only one day. We want to thank all the volunteers for their hard work. All proceeds from the Gifts of Grace Resale Store support the House of Disciples. Stop by and check us out.



Gifts of Grace Resale Store

Open Mon - Sat, 9am - 6pm

Thank you for your donations.
You're making a difference!

Sat. Aug. 4 - Sat. Aug. 11

MEGA SALE
\$1 items

903-234-2341 / 110 Triple Creek Dr.
(off Judson Rd. next to Posado's Cafe)

New HOD Promo Video:

We are excited to announce that we have a new promotional video for the House of Disciples, produced by Pastor Chris Reid of Motion Church and his team. We have uploaded it to our youtube and Facebook accounts and will have it up on our website soon. Check it out!! Thanks Chris, it is an amazing video.

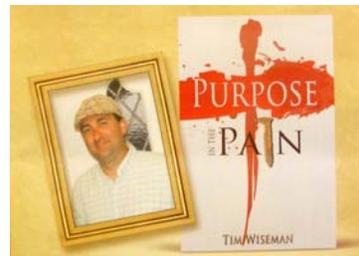
"Takin' it to the Streets" Shreveport

On Saturday, July 21st, White Chocolate (WC) ministered at "Takin' it to the Streets" at the Gold Dome in Shreveport, LA. This event is put on a couple times a year and is a way for local ministries to reach out to their community and to connect those in need with people who can help them. Booths were set up to give out clothing, food, and informational resources. We met a lot of really great people and organizations at the different booths, including: Street Fishers Ministry, The Gideons International, Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Celebrate

Recovery from the Church at Red River, Ark La Tex Crises Pregnancy Center, Community Renewal International, Supportive Integrated Services Inc, and others. WC was well received and gave away all the t-shirts and CD's that they had on hand.



Tim's book now in Prison



Tim Wiseman's new book "Purpose in the Pain" is now being used as curriculum in the Polunsky Prison Unit for the offenders. Per their request, we sent 100 copies of the book. We are honored that they chose our book to feature in their Celebrate Recovery curriculum.

Wanda Awards Class:

Wanda Smith awarded the students in her "Ancient Paths" Class certificates of completion, a written blessing from the movie "Courageous", and a certificate with the meaning of their name with a life verse that relates to their character.



Upcoming Events

Friday, August 3 / 6:30 pm

White Chocolate with Eddie B.,
Missions Event @ The Reserve, Longview, TX

Saturday, August 4 - Saturday, August 11

Gifts of Grace Resale Store - MEGA SALE
\$1 hanging & 25¢ folded items, 10% off everything else

Thursday, August 9 / 6:30 PM (Please RSVP)

NEW Volunteer & Teacher Orientation - HOD Foyer

Wed, August 15 (Men) & Thur. August 16 (Women)

White Chocolate & HOD - Prison Ministry,
East Texas Treatment Facility, Henderson, TX

Thursday, August 23 / 7:00 AM

White Chocolate & HOD - Prison Ministry,
Polunsky Unit, Livingston, TX

Saturday, Sept 1 - Sunday, Sept 2 / 7:00 pm

White Chocolate with Eddie B.,
Biker Bash, Granbury, TX

Monday, September 3 / Labor Day Holiday

HOD Offices & GOG Store are CLOSED

Thursday, Sept 13 / 6:30 PM (Please RSVP)

NEW Volunteer & Teacher Orientation - HOD Foyer

Saturday, Sept 15 / 10:00 am

White Chocolate, Christ Fest - Kilgore, TX

Wed, Sept 19 (Men) & Thur. Sept 20 (Women)

White Chocolate & HOD - Prison Ministry,
East Texas Treatment Facility, Henderson, TX

Sunday, September 30 / 3:00 PM

HOD Graduation, HOD Chapel, Longview, TX

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