

“If for only one”
Luke 5:4-7

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Please prayerfully consider becoming a Grace Partner. As a Grace Partner, you join with us to build, strengthen and support the House of Disciples through prayer and by committing to support the ministry with a monthly donation of any amount. As a monthly supporter, you impact the lives of each man here at the House of Disciples.

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Mission Statement:

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



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“Genesis of a Ministry” by Ken Swain, ministry Grace Partner

Hello, my name is Ken Swain, and it is a pleasure to share the story of my relationship with the House of Disciples. My wife, Joan, and I have known Tim Wiseman since he was a boy. He was a good friend to my son, Trey, and was at our home often as the two of them were growing up. At the time, most of their activities consisted of their band and skateboarding.



Len on Left, Ken on Right

Time passed, they grew up and choose their own life paths. Our son, Trey, chose to go his own way, do his own thing, and Tim chose to follow the Lord and serve Him. Predictably, Trey's path led to destruction and drugs while Tim's path formed a foundation upon which God could build a much needed ministry. A ministry to meet the very serious needs which his boyhood friend had developed as well as thousands of other men who chose the same path as Trey.

I had the blessing to be reunited with Tim during the early stages of the formation and development of this ministry. It has been a true revelation of God's grace and provision to watch this ministry go from nothing more than a vision to now have three locations in Longview, Madisonville and Shreveport. Yet, the greatest miracle has been in the hearts and lives of the men who have been touched and changed powerfully by God's love.

Recently, I was approached by Tim and Trey (now Tim's assistant and Director of Isaiah 58 Institute), to partner with my lifelong friend, Len Granath, and conduct a leadership seminar for the leaders of this ministry. Despite recent serious battles with heart disease, cancer and chemotherapy, Len made a huge

sacrifice to prepare and deliver his portion of the seminar over a period of two days. His effort was greatly appreciated by the men and women in attendance. The participation and involvement of those in attendance was fantastic and my prayer is that each of them enjoyed the time together as much as Len and I did.

I encourage each of you reading this to take a moment and read the scriptures upon which this ministry is based, Isaiah 58:6&7. It is easy to see that the House of Disciples operates daily upon these commands of the Lord. It is also easy to understand that the blessings and miraculous growth of this ministry are no accident, but specific promises contained in verses 8-11 that follow verses 6 and 7. And yet, these promises are to anyone who would dare to trust God and take Him at His Word.

God bless all of you and please pray for strength and health for my friend, Len.

Outlook TV Ministries Interview

Tim Wiseman, Phill Briggs and Trey Swain were recently interviewed by Rachel Rice on her TV program called Outlook TV. The interview focused on three topics: prison ministry, our new Shreveport location and our Isaiah 58 Institute. Outlook TV's mission is to tell

and share God's genuine goodness and to motivate listeners with personal life experiences and application that give endurance, hope, and commitment to Jesus Christ. The show airs Mondays and Thursdays @ 8:30 pm on Longview/Kilgore cable on channel 26.



HOD Christmas Ornaments

You do not want to miss out on this opportunity to get your very own HOD Christmas Ornament hand crafted by the men in our program. This is our first year to do this and we plan to make it a tradition. You can pick yours up at our Gifts of Grace Resale Store

on Judson Road for only \$3.00. You can also call the ministry to place a special order. All the proceeds go directly back into the ministry. What could be better than that?



Thanksgiving Celebration

Staff, residents and their families held a celebration on Thanksgiving day. This was the first time since our new kitchen was installed that we had the opportunity to cook a banquet for our men and guests. The ladies with Restoring Joy Ministries came in to help with the cooking and the staff and volunteers helped to serve the men. Tables were set up in the garage, outside and in the library. The atmosphere was re-

laxed and homie. We had a great time of fellowship, watching sports, and totally pigging out. We are truly thankful for all God has blessed us with, for all the men that God has entrusted to us and for seeing lives changed, set free and delivered.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 "In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (NKJV)

Christmas Blessings

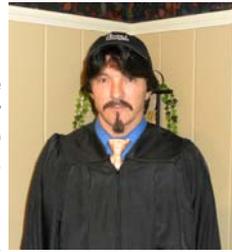
We are blessed to have two churches helping our HOD men and their children this Christmas. The Pathway Church congregation has adopted the children of our residents and will be providing them with Christmas gifts. New Heights Church will throw a Christmas party for our men and provide them with food, gifts and entertainment. Thank you so much to both churches for your kindness and generosity.

HOD Graduate Kenny Shaw

Growing up I was taught that Jesus was the Son of God, who came to save us. It all seemed to be a myth until I was at the darkest point of my life and I called out to God asking if He could love someone like me. I then had a vision of Jesus with a tear in His eye. I felt love come over me like I had never felt before. I asked for direction in my life and God directed me to the House of Disciples. Since coming to HOD, God has showed me how to love and I have a purpose in life. By

God's grace, I am able to serve Him every day in the ministry. HOD has helped me to realize that there is nothing in life that I can control and by giving everything to God, He will carry me through. God is real to me now. I have a close relationship with Him.

God came to Moses and spoke to him to deliver His people to the promise land, because He had heard their cries. Well, God is at



work again. He has heard the cries of His children enslaved to addiction. He has called together men of God, like the House of Disciples, to deliver His people. I would like to thank Tim and Misty Wiseman, Phill and JennJenn Briggs, Jody and Jensing Beddingfield, Brett Foster, Mike Smith and everyone here in Longview; as well as my friends, teachers and mentors in Madisonville.

White Chocolate in Shreveport:

This past month, the White Chocolate ministry team had the honor of ministering at the Church at Red River in Shreveport, LA for their Friday night Celebrate Recovery meeting. A couple of our HOD men were also invited to give their testimonies. We look forward to partnering more with the Shreveport community as we are soon to open a House of Disciples in the old YWCA Building in the downtown area.

HOD BASKETBALL:

This will be the first time for us to have a basketball team and the men are really excited. Come out and show your support. Games will be held at the Pine Tree Pace Gym on either Tuesday or Thursday nights in December. We will post a complete schedule on Facebook, as soon as we receive it.

WHATABURGER
Christmas Tour

WHITE CHOCOLATE
WCMINISTRY.COM

Noon Schedule

Nov. 29	#556	2406 East End Blvd. S.	Marshall, TX
Dec. 2	#700	3123 S. Eastman Road	Longview, TX
Dec. 6	#978	108 W. Hwy 80	White Oak, TX
Dec. 9	#939	4108 West Loop 281	Longview, TX
Dec. 13	#48	2010 Victory Lane	Marshall, TX
Dec. 16	#38	105 N. Spur 63	Longview, TX
Dec. 20	#850	3308 N. 4th Street	Longview, TX
Dec. 23	#877	2401 Gilmer Road	Longview, TX

Upcoming Events

Tuesdays & Fridays in December / Noon (flyer on left)

White Chocolate - Whataburger Christmas Tour

Tuesday, December 13 / 6:00 pm

Special Christmas Party for HOD residents,
New Heights Church, Longview, TX

Wed, Dec 21 (Men) & Thur. Dec 22 (Women)

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

Friday, December 23 / 6:00 pm

Christmas Celebration for the HOD Men & Families

Saturday, December 24

Gifts of Grace Resale Store, CLOSED for Holiday

Saturday, December 31

White Chocolate & HOD - Prison Ministry,
Ellis Unit, Huntsville, TX

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