



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.



August Servant Leader:
Chris B.



September Servant Leader:
Leslie H.



Highlights



Visit our iTunes page where you can download one song or the whole album.



Representatives from Texoma Health Foundation toured House of Disciples-Mission Texoma to see their grant dollars at work.

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Volunteers and staff pose for a picture at our Gifts of Grace Resale Store in Longview.



Jayson F., Steve S., Andrew B., and Jody M. were blessed to attend a viewing of the War Room movie with FBC-LV.

“From the Heart” by Tim Wiseman, Executive Director

This is a quote from Dr. Henry Cloud taken from the book *How People Grow*:
“We can't change ourselves, yet we are held responsible for not being able to change ourselves. Anyone need a Savior?”

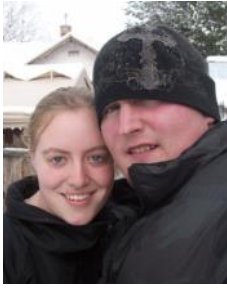


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“My Story” by William Endsley, former HOD Program Resident



Life hits us all. Sometimes it hits us like a hammer; sometimes like a demolition crew. Life hit me with drug and alcohol addiction, a wreck that nearly ended my life, my parents' divorce, loss of my first child to murder, homelessness and even more. I had given up on

everything, but God. I always knew that no matter how bad the storm was in my life, He was always there with me to pick me back up. However, most of my life's trials resulted from my poor choices that I refused to take responsibility for. That is until I found myself out of excuses as to why my life didn't work the way I was hoping. For the first time in my life, I finally turned to God and asked what He wanted me to do, instead of doing what I wanted. The answer I received led me to search for ways to get into missionary work. I purposely spent a year looking for the direction God wanted me to go while being homeless in Longview, Texas. Times were very hard and some days I didn't know where my next meal was going to

come from. Many days I ate lunch or dinner at the Highway 80 Rescue Mission. I kept hoping the answer to my life's purpose was right around the corner, but I kept getting more and more discouraged. Finally, one day I met my Mom and she showed me a news article about the House of Disciples. I knew right then that I had got my answer. I spent the next six months as a resident in their Life Recovery Program until God called me elsewhere. At the House of Disciples, I was part of a new family. During those six months, my house brothers and I ate together, studied the Bible, shared knowledge and experiences, and helped encourage one another. Another great blessing at HOD was learning true servant leadership by helping those in need through community outreach. I could not remember a time when I was happier than serving alongside my brothers in Christ. I owe a lot to the HOD crew. My life is better now, along with my choices. I am married with two children and live in Idaho. I continue to pass on what I learned in the program to others, and I am actively involved in service at our home church. I would like to thank the House of Disciples for helping make lives better.

August Birthdays:



John B., Michael K., George C. & Ms. Meyer

September Birthday:



Trint J.

HOD Band Update

In August, the HOD Band ministered at the Johnston Prison in Winnsboro with 97 offenders in attendance and 35 responded to the altar call. They also ministered at San Antonio's Jesus Jam Fest's Sunday service. In September, they ministered at Lanes Chapel UMC in Tyler with 300 in attendance and the ETTF Prison in Henderson to 138 female offenders, followed by 186 male offenders with 164 responding to the altar call. Please be in prayer about the ministry team's October mission trip to Latvia, where they will present Celebrate Recovery to Riga Baptist Church, minister at a Teacher's Conference and in two prisons.

Volunteer Highlight

Our Volunteer Highlight for Sept/Oct is Kathi Jackson. Kathi is the mother of our Program Director and HOD Graduate, Matt Stelter. She donates to our Gifts of Grace Resale Store, donates toiletries and food for our pantry, buys clothes for residents that are without, and volunteers her time to cook and host special events at HOD. She truly has a servant's heart. We are blessed to know her. If you would like to volunteer your time in any way, please contact our office at 903-553-0952.



Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser

We are pleased to announce that the Texas Roadhouse, in Longview, will host a fundraiser for the House of Disciples on the following Monday Nights: October 5th, November 2nd & December 7th.

You can support this cause by presenting the attached invitation (or downloading a copy from our Facebook page) to the Texas Roadhouse and they will donate 10% of your total food purchase to HOD.



HOD ministers to Special Friends:

Residents and alumni of the House of Disciples help to lead worship for the Special Friends Ministry at First Baptist Church in Longview. These “differently-abled” individuals truly enjoy the fellowship and give so much love in return. If you would like to volunteer, contact FBC-LV.



HOD Softball:

The Fall Championship Season of softball is here! Games are held every Tuesday night at Hinsley Park on Field 2. Come out and show your support.

Game times are:

9-22	8:45 PM
9-29	6:45 PM
10-06	6:45 PM
10-13	6:45 PM
&	7:45 PM
10-20	TBD Tournament



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