



WISEMAN MINISTRIES, INC. NEWSLETTER

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“If for only one”

Grace Partners:

Wiseman Ministries, Inc. is a non-profit, 501(c)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.



July Servant Leader:
Scotty G.



August Servant Leader:
Dustin H.



Highlights



The Management Team of Wiseman Ministries, Inc. pose for a group photo.



HOD partnered with First Baptist Church, East Texas Baptist University, Longview Dream Center and J-Star Ministries to deliver relief donations.

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Josh Pair holds a guitar class for children in Peru on his recent mission trip with First Baptist Church.



Staff, Interns and Residents had a blast at the Wiseman Ministries Fiesta Celebration.

“From the Heart” by Tim Wiseman, Executive Director

I'm excited to share how we are continually making our program at House of Disciples better. Exercise has always been a part of our recovery program. We found years ago that chemicals in our bodies (serotonin, dopamine, and endorphins) are related while doing drugs or exercising. However, recent research has shown that we need to step up our game even more and make exercise a major part of the program. This is why we are now installing a "Ride for Recovery". And not only are we implementing it in our own program, but we will be inviting the recovery community to join us. More information soon to come.



Ministries Include:



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“My Story” by Mitch Singleton

My name is Mitch. I was born in 1984 in a little town called Nederland, Texas. Shortly after my birth, my parents and I moved to Orange, Texas. In Orange, I attended school through graduation. Orange is a great town to grow up in, and I had many memorable experiences there. I also began my love affair with drugs and alcohol there. My parents were drinkers and liked to barbecue and have a good time. This is how I was introduced to alcohol. After graduation, I began to drink alcohol and take prescription medication on a daily basis to mask emotions I was feeling towards being an awkward adolescent and fumbling to find my way in life. Once I added cocaine into this mixture, my life began to spiral out of control rapidly. My parents were unable to deal with my rebellious behavior and soon put me out on my own. After sleeping in my car and a little couch hopping, I eventually landed at my older brother Michael's house. Michael is a non-denominational pastor. At the time I was residing with him, Michael was an associate pastor at New Covenant Church in Port Arthur, Texas. One Sunday morning, while sitting on the front row of New Covenant, I was letting the sermon soak into my mind when I began to tremble and cry uncontrollably. The Holy Spirit was dealing with me! On that day I invited Jesus into my life as my personal Lord and Savior. However, after some strong spiritual experiences, I grew afraid of what was happening to me. I ran as far as I could from that church and from God (so I thought). In my twen-



ties, I began to dabble in occult practices. I participated in séances and countless rituals to false gods. My life became more and more tumultuous. My head was filled with evil and terrible thoughts. My wife eventually left me and took my children with her. I was desperate for a change; for a Savior. I felt Christ tugging at my heart, telling me that this was my last chance. I asked others for help for the first time in my life. A co-worker knew about the House of Disciples and helped me to get there. House of Disciples was literally a God-send. I was able to hit the proverbial pause button in my life and focus all of my attention on mending my relationship with Jesus and working on myself. This ministry was the vehicle that God used to turn my crazy world right side up. For a long time, I believed I was unforgivable. Some of the sin that I committed I thought there was no coming back from. But God reminded me that years before in that little church in Port Arthur, I was marked by Him, sealed by the Holy Spirit. His forever! Thanks to the humble staff and awesome curriculum at HOD, I realized my potential in Christ, and I will never look back. Are you sick and tired of being sick and tired? Are you looking for love and peace that surpasses understanding? Are you ready for God to change and restore you for good? House of Disciples is a great place to begin your journey with Christ and kick-start a new glorious life. Take it from someone who's been through hell and back. If it can happen for me, it can happen for you.

July Birthday:



Brice B.

August Birthdays:



Mitch S., Anthony G., John R. and Harold W.

John 15:12

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

Know, Share, Multiply

New Face at GOG



Gifts of Grace Resale Store in Longview would like to introduce you to Kim Logsdon. She has accepted the position of Senior Store Manager. Kim is a great addition to our team and we look forward to serving you as you donate, shop and support. If you see Kim in either of our store locations, congratulate her and welcome her to the team. She would love to greet you.

Volunteer Highlight

Our Volunteer Highlight for July/August is Gary Nice. Gary has been volunteering to teach our Phase 3 Servant Leadership curriculum in our Prison ministry classes and is mentoring a few of our House of Disciples residents. He is a great encourager and is very personable with our students. If you would like to volunteer/intern in any way, please contact our office at 903-553-0952.



GOG Promotions



September

14th-16th - 20% off Housewares
29th - \$7 Fill-a-Bag

October

12th - 14th - 50% Off Media
27th - \$7 Fill-a-Bag

We have 2 locations in Longview:
#1 - 2519 Judson Rd.
#2 - 1905 W. Loop 281 Suite 20

I58 Farms Update



The blackberry harvest season is over and our team is now busy pruning the vines and getting our plants ready for the next season. This can be quite the undertaking with hundreds of rows of blackberry canes. The canes must be thinned out to make room for new growth. We know all of their hard work will pay off. We are also praying that we will have a good harvest of peaches and nectarines this next season.

FALL GRADUATION



Our Fall Graduation has been scheduled for Friday, October 27th at 7:00 PM in the Theater Room at First Baptist Church in Longview.

Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend this wonderful night.



You may drop off donations at any of our ministry locations.



How You Can Help:

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

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