



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.



May Servant Leader:
Cody K.



June Servant Leader:
Mike E.



I58 Farms Harvest Kickoff

Highlights



Brenham's First Baptist Church "In Between" group volunteer at Gifts of Grace.



HOD Ride for Recovery donated 23 extra bikes to Newgate Mission for their Bike to Work Program.

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Graciously Broken Ministries volunteer at our Spring 2018 HOD Graduation.



Heartisans Marketplace partnered with First Baptist Church-Longview and House of Disciples to repair a previous participant's roof.

"From the Heart" by Tim Wiseman, Executive Director

You see the person sitting on a white bucket with the cardboard sign as you drive up to the red light. You are hoping the light changes to green so you don't have to encounter them. It's not because you don't want to help. It's because you don't know how to help. As you are sitting there, you debate on what to do. Should you look at your phone as though you are busy? Should you just keep looking straight ahead to ignore the situation? Would handing them \$5 really help the person climb out of the pit of poverty? Or will it just aid and enable them to purchase their next high? Colossians 4:5 teaches us to "walk in wisdom" toward individuals who are in need. Sometimes helping can hurt, if the help is not a long-term commitment to pull the person out of their mess.



Ministries
Include:

House of
Disciples
Life Recovery Center

Gifts of
Grace
Resale Store

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MINISTRY TEAM

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"My Story" by Brice Blanchard

My name is Brice Blanchard. I was born in Denton, Texas, in 1985. My dad died in 1988 and my mother remarried a navy seal. He was very abusive to me and my mother. One of my earliest memories was my stepdad knocking me out and breaking my collarbone while I was trying to protect my mother. Soon after that, my mother took me and my brothers and moved out. Pain followed us wherever we went and soon my mom began using drugs. I started using drugs in the 5th grade as a way to escape from stress. Before long I was introduced to meth. It consumed my life and as a result, my girlfriend threatened to leave me. I told her that I would stop, but I could not. That night I tried to hurt myself, but the paramedics were able to revive me even though I stopped breathing for 15 minutes. I had suffered a heart attack and a stroke. The doctors thought I would never speak again, but by the grace of God, I woke up and started speaking. I only spent 2 days in the ICU. My grandmother prayed for a whole month that God would heal me and the next time I went to see the cardiologist the



3D scan of my heart revealed God's answer to my grandmother's prayers. My heart was functioning at 100 %. My stepfather died soon after that and I went back to the one thing that I knew. My meth use soon pushed my girlfriend and daughter out of my life. Eventually, I was arrested and spent 9 months in jail. When I got out, I once again went back to meth and was in and out of jail and homeless shelters. After some time, I was arrested in Denison for possession of meth. I pleaded with God for a chance to change. Once again God's grace was shown to me and I only spent 5 days in jail. When I was released, I went to rehab in Dallas. After I got out, I continued to pursue God and found the House of Disciples. At HOD, I was able to start renewing my mind. I began to see me the way God sees me. Through Jesus Christ, the redeemer of my soul, I was blessed with a chance to change and live again. I am so thankful to God and the House of Disciples.

I58 Farms Update

Isaiah 58 Farms had the honor of being featured in the June 2018 issue of GO TEXAN® magazine. You can read a copy online at www.GoTexan.com in the June Issue on pages 13 & 14.



The blackberry harvest is in full swing and our kickoff celebration was so much fun. The Kickoff featured a live band, hayrides, tours, and berry picking. I58 Farms has also been participating in the Historic Longview Farmers Market every Saturday morning from 7:30-11:30 AM. Come and visit us at the corner of High & Cotton Streets and pick up some tasty fruits and berries.



HOD Softball



Summer League Softball has begun. Come out to Hinsley Park Field 1 every Tuesday night to show your support.

July 10	7:45 pm
July 24	6:45 pm
July 31	9:45 pm
Aug 07	7:45 pm
Aug 14	6:45 pm

Go Team, Go!

Volunteer Highlight

Our Volunteer Highlight for May / June is Johnny Collier. Johnny has been a devoted volunteer, mentor, board member, and friend since the start of our ministry a decade ago. He loves people intentionally and unconditionally. He is humble and never seeks acknowledgment. Johnny, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all you have done and continue to do. If you would like to volunteer in any of our ministry outlets, please call our office at 903-553-0952.



Gifts of Grace Update

We are so thankful for our volunteers. Individual and Group Opportunities available. Contact GOG at 903-234-2341 to volunteer.



LETU Finance Department

Don't miss our weekly discounts:

- Every Tuesday:
10% Senior Discount Day
- Every Wednesday:
Double Punch on
Frequent Shopper Cards



July
27th | \$7 Fill-A-Bag

August
31st | \$7 Fill-A-Bag

Gifts of Grace Resale Store
2519 Judson Rd., Longview, TX
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May Birthday:



Josh E. & Marlin B.

June Birthday:



TJ D. & Mike E.

Toiletry Collection

Suggested Items for Men:
Shampoo
Body wash
Deodorant
Band Aids
Tylenol
Q-Tips
Razors



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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