

**“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:

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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“My Story” by Larry Richie, Upcoming Program Graduate



Everyday is a new and glorious day for those safe in the saving arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. My name is Larry Richie and I have just completed the one year program at the House of Disciples, with the graduation ceremony scheduled for May 22. I am a born again child of God and a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. I accepted Jesus as my Lord and Savior on Sept. 3, 1987. I am so thankful for His love, grace, and blessings. Prior to Sept. 3, 1987, I lived a life separated from God and His blessings by sin. During those years of sin, I broke every one of God's ten commandments, in some way or another. I will not give satan credit for any of my sins. I knew exactly what I was doing and made a conscious decision to commit them. My purpose in writing this is not to glorify satan, rather to glorify God and the miracles He has already preformed and continues to perform in my life. My daughter, Larra, was only two years old when I accepted Jesus, therefore she received the blessing of being raised by a Christian dad. Was I a perfect dad? Of course not, however, by the grace of God, through the leadership of the Holy Spirit, we managed to get her through school and then find her a godly husband at the age of 19. Now at the age of 26, Larra is a godly wife & mother to her husband, Tim, and to their children; twin girls, Morgan and Maecyn, a son, Jaxson, and her

fourth child will arrive in October of this year. By the way, Larra accepted Jesus as her Lord at age 6. God is good all the time. God brought me to HOD on March 22, 2010. Drugs and alcohol were not an issue for me, instead my battle was in submitting my life to the calling He had for me. The 7 years preceding my arrival here at HOD were comprised of many adventures of personal discovery and spiritual growth. The turning point in my year here at HOD came in September of 2010. I was working in my assignment of sorting things at Gifts of Grace, the resale store for the ministry, when I happened to look out the back door to a wooded area about 100 yards away. Suddenly, I heard a small voice calling me to solitude. Twice I denied this command, but the third time I knew it was the Holy Spirit. For the next 21 days, I went into seclusion, fasted and communed with God. Those 21 days were one of the greatest spiritual blessings that I have received since 1987, when I was saved. Because during that time with God, the Holy Spirit revealed to me the changes in character and temperament that I needed to make, before He could take me to the next leg of my journey to Christ-likeness. Philippians 3:14 states, "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." (KJV) I am happy that the next leg of my journey with Christ is here being a servant leader at the House of Disciples and I plan on staying for as long as they will have me. May God richly bless HOD and anyone reading this.

“Purpose in the Pain” book published

The founder of House of Disciples, Tim Wiseman, recently completed his book, Purpose in the Pain. It is the thrilling story of all the spiritual values Tim learned through times of crisis while birthing the

vision God laid on his heart to reach people in need through House of Disciples. We are pleased to announce that Tim has signed a publishing deal with Stonegate Books. The book, Purpose in the Pain, will

be available to you in the upcoming weeks. All proceeds from the book will go toward supporting House of Disciples. For more information, please visit www.stonegatebooks.com.

Kitchen Dedication planned for April 2nd

Volunteers, permits, plumbers, electricians, painters, flooring, appliances and inspections; this is just some of what we have been tackling over the past months. But praise the Lord, we now see a light at the end of the tunnel. As most of you know, we have been operating without a functioning kitchen. In July of 2010, the Adult 2 Sunday

School Classes at First Baptist Church Longview felt led to take on this project and raised \$25,000 for the installation. To give thanks to the Lord and in honor of First Baptist and their support, we have planned a Kitchen Dedication for April 2nd at 2pm. Everyone is invited. Refreshments will be provided and the facility will be open to



tour. The HOD Leadership, staff and residents would like to express our sincerest gratitude for everyone's hard work, dedication and support.

HOD SOFTBALL:

It's that time again... Our guys have been practicing and are very excited about the upcoming games. It would be so amazing for them to look up in the stands and see people cheering them on. We hope you are able to come and show your support at Hinsley Park, field 2. Here is the Tuesday night schedule:

4-05	6:45 pm
4-12	8:45 pm
4-19	7:45 pm
4-26	7:45 pm
5-03	9:45 pm
5-10	6:45 pm

"Release the Dream" with Matthew Barnett

Pastor Matthew Barnett, Co-founder of the Dream Center in Los Angeles, CA, is excited about what we are doing. He has agreed to be our guest speaker at an event we will be holding in the Belcher Center on Aug 10th called "Release the Dream". We are just getting the details together on this, but the community response has been amazing. Several churches

have already agreed to cancel services that Wednesday, so that their congregations can attend. Matthew is a best selling author and pastor of one of America's fastest growing churches. You will be hearing more about this event as we get all the details together. Mark your calendars now, you will not want to miss this amazing event.



Our beloved Fentin & his sister before transfer to his new home at Henderson Health & Rehab. We are so thankful that his medical needs will be taken care of.

Have you answered the call?



Madisonville Youth

The White Chocolate band had the pleasure of ministering for a community wide youth rally held in the Madisonville High School Auditorium on March 9th. The guest speaker was an ex-gang member from Houston that accepted Christ



in prison. It was a true testimony of God's saving grace and His redemption power.



The 1st Annual Freedom Fest was a huge success with over 300 people in attendance. It was wonderful to see everyone celebrating their freedom found in Christ. What an inspirational evening. We are already planning for next year.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, Apr. 2 / 2:00 pm

House of Disciples - Kitchen Dedication Ceremony

Saturday - Saturday, Apr. 2 - 9

Gifts of Grace Resale - Mega Sale with \$1 items
Judson Rd. next to Pasados, Longview, TX

Wednesday, Apr. 6 / 5:00 pm

White Chocolate & HOD - Community Block Party
Newgate Mission, Longview, TX

Wednesday, Apr. 20 / 6:00 pm

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

Saturday, Apr. 23 / 6:00 pm

White Chocolate & HOD - Live Recording at
Ferguson Prison, Midway, TX

Saturday, Apr. 30 / 12:00 pm

White Chocolate - Celebrate Recovery Event,
With Green Acres Baptist, Bergfield Park, Tyler, TX

Sunday, May. 1 / 3:00 pm

2nd Annual Teacher Appreciation,
The Outreach Center Chapel at HOD

Saturday, May 14 / 2:00 - 6:00 pm

White Chocolate & HOD - Celebrate Recovery
Kilgore City Park Amphitheatre, Kilgore, TX

Sunday, May 22 / 3:00 pm

House of Disciples - Graduation Ceremony

Wednesday, Aug. 10 / 6:00 pm

"Release the Dream" with Matthew Barnett,
Belcher Center at LETU, Longview, TX

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