

**“If for only one”
Luke 5:4-7**

How You Can Help:

- Pray for us
- Supply toiletries
- Volunteer at the Gifts of Grace Resale Store
- Teach classes
- Support us monthly

Needs List:

SLR Digital Camera \$ 800

Remodel:

Replace Missing

Chapel Pillar \$ 2,000

A/C for offices \$ 5,000

Dining Hall, A/C \$26,000

Building Payoff \$198,000

Board Members:

Dan Biggs

Charli Caraway

Johnny Collier

Wes Haefs

Bruce Hinton

Joe McCracken

Dave Mason

Nathan Pennington

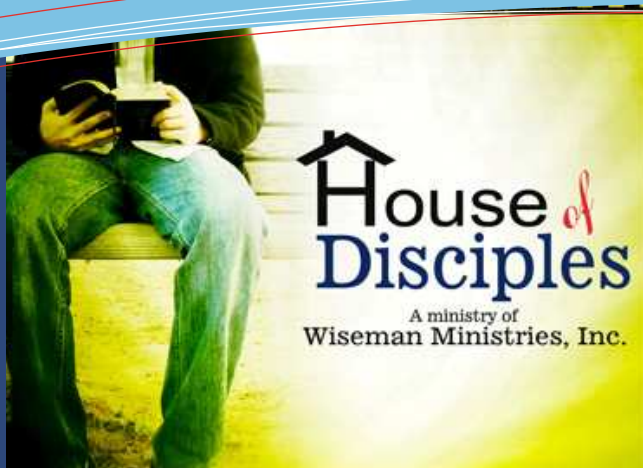
Mark Rasberry

Lenard Thompson

Roy Wiseman

Mission Statement:

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



this issue

What I've Seen **P.1**

It's all about helping others **P.1**

Mike Smith, Arts & Crafts Department **P.2**

House of Hope - Madisonville **P.2**

New Kitchen Update **P.2**

Upcoming Events **P.2**

Party in the Park - August update **P.2**

What I've Seen by Johnny Collier, Advisory Board Member

There was a time in my life that when I saw a homeless person walking down the street I thought, "Go to work. Get a job. Quit using drugs. You're lazy." Well, over the last 7 years or so, God has changed my life and my heart. I now have compassion for these folks and know that God created them, and loves them just as much as any of us. Thanks be to God!

I first met Tim Wiseman and the White Chocolate band in the fall of 2008 at a revival for the homeless community. The following week I was driving home from work and felt an "urge" to go see Tim at his church where he worked. At that time I had no idea that he also had a passion to spread the gospel to addicts and homeless persons. He already had a non-profit, non-denominational ministry that was a Christ-based recovery program. Around 12 men were committed to sober living due to this ministry.

It didn't take long before Tim and I started looking for a larger building to facilitate helping more people. In February, 2009 we signed a contract to purchase the "old" Welch funeral home in downtown Longview. There are now around 30 people in our program and God has

delivered many from their bondage. The love of Christ is sufficient.

God is directing this ministry; it's path, and it's growth has been amazing to see! The House of Disciples is a Christ-based recovery program in Longview, and we have partnered with another recovery program in Madisonville, Texas, called House of Hope. The White Chocolate band continues to travel and spread the good news. We recently opened, as a source of funding, the Gifts of Grace Resale Store next to Posado's Café on Judson Road. A prison ministry is in full swing with routine visits to the prisons in Huntsville and Henderson.

It has been such a privilege to be involved and to see the miraculous works of our Lord through this ministry. It's also encouraging to see young Christians who have dedicated their lives to the work of Jesus Christ. This is the next generation of followers. I understand that it's not everyone's calling to do what Wiseman Ministries does, but please support us. We are on the frontlines of the battlefield, in our own back yard.

It's all about helping others

This man came into the House of Disciples asking for help. He said he did not want money, just a meal and a shower. In talking to him, he said that he was making his way to Florida, but he lost his bike and was in desperate need of another one. Just as it asks us in Matthew 25 and Isaiah 58, we brought him in and cleaned him up, got

him a hot meal, and was even able to locate a used bike for him. He was overjoyed and actually prayed for multiplied blessings to be upon us at HOD. We pray he has a safe journey. His name is William and we know he would be happy to have you pray for him as well.



Mike Smith, Arts & Crafts Department

We now have an Arts & Crafts Department located in the Gifts of Grace Resale Store (next to Posado's Café on Judson Rd.), which is run by Mike Smith.

Mike and his wife, Wanda, are both talented, award-winning artists, and with help from the HOD Interns, have produced quite an inventory. Mike is a HOD program graduate and has worn many hats since coming to us. He was born Feb. 24, 1949 in San

Diego, but was mainly raised in Hawaii. He is the oldest boy of 6 kids. He started using drugs in his teens and started hanging out with bikers. Mike lived that life-style for the next 40 years and was a member of two biker clubs, one in California and one in Florida. Mike was a professional criminal most of his life. Being a drug dealer and smuggler in the 60's and 70's, as well as a bank robber and jewel thief in the 80's. He eventually

quit doing drugs, but drank in excess and got into plenty of trouble over the years. Consequently, he spent 25 years of his life in Federal prison.

Mike came to HOD in Nov. 2008 and hasn't looked back. He enjoys art, family and mentoring other men who God has placed in his path. You can find out more about the HOD Arts & Crafts Dept. by visiting their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/HODCrafts.



House of Hope - Madisonville

The men at our sister location, House of Hope - Madisonville, are very involved in the community. Recently, a few of them visited the Terrell Prison Unit with Sports Reach. It was over 100 degrees with no shade, yet 20 inmates gave their lives to the Lord.

They have also taken on several projects with

churches in the area, as well as, the public library. Furthermore, they were mentioned in a Madisonville Meteor article for helping with the Mobile Food Drive, which helped feed

Program Director, Brett Foster, says he is continually



encouraged by the community support. He would also like to thank Ms. Lena Mathis for teaching the HOH men - she is 92 years young.

Photo: Randy Freeman helping with Food Drive

**But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!
I Cor. 15:57 (HCSB)**



Sunday Outreach Service 8:00 am
Wednesday Service 7:00 pm

Monthly Food Distribution
3rd Wednesday of each month @ 6pm

New Kitchen Update

We are moving forward with the new kitchen project, sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Longview. The plans have been turned into the city and the permit has been filed. We are now waiting on the city to do their walk through. We also had a blessing happen when we were approved for a 500 gallon grease trap, the same day that the city was meeting to change the requirement to 1,000 gallons. Praise the Lord!

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, Sept. 1 - 6 pm

White Chocolate - Prison Outreach,
ET Treatment Center, Henderson, TX

Sunday, Sept. 5 - 10:30 am

White Chocolate - Union Gospel Mission,
Debra Hall Chapel, Ft. Worth, TX

Monday, Sept. 6 - White Chocolate in Dallas, TX

10:30 am - Cornerstone Baptist Church
2pm to 10pm - Marie Luna Park Outreach

Saturday, Sept. 11 - 8 am to 12 pm

LETU Students, Work day at HOD

Wednesday, Sept. 15 - 6 pm

Food Distribution at The Outreach Center
Doors open at 5:30 pm

Friday, Sept. 17 - 7 pm

White Chocolate - Revival Service,
Word of Faith Church, Longview, TX

Sunday, Sept. 19 - 10 am

HOD men to visit local church,
LifeBridge Church, Longview, TX

Saturday, Sept. 25 - 5 pm

White Chocolate - Tomato Bowl, Jacksonville, TX

Friday, Oct. 8 - 10 am to 1:30 pm

White Chocolate - Heritage Plaza, Longview, TX

Monday, Oct. 11 - 6 pm

White Chocolate - Celebrate Recovery,
One-Ten Student Center at
Green Acres Baptist Church, Tyler, TX

Party in the Park - Ministry
During our August Party in the Park event at Teague Park, we had several people give their lives to Christ. In the above picture, our HOD men are praying for a couple who accepted Christ. Our House of Disciples Band did a wonderful job of leading worship, as well as, Living Stones and White Chocolate.

Contact us:

www.houseofdisciples.com
info@houseofdisciples.com
Phone: 903-553-0952

Mailing:

House of Disciples
C/O Wiseman Ministries Inc.
P.O. Box 1207
Longview, TX 75606

Locations:

House of Disciples
210 S. Green St.
Longview, TX 75601

House of Hope
901 W. Trinity
Madisonville, TX 77864

White Chocolate:

www.wcministry.com
Bookings: 903-851-9249