



The Beacon
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Scripture Memorization, October

Isaiah 40:28

“Do you not know? Have you not heard? Yahweh is the everlasting God, the Creator of the whole earth. He never grows faint or weary; there is no limit to His understanding.”

MISSIONARY MOMENTS

Dear Prayer Partners,

Cornelia and Takondwa are examples of hundreds of day students who are now on a new path in one of Rafiki's ten Christian classical schools. The **Rafiki Foundation** school not only provides education for the 850 orphans within the villages but also over 870 day students from surrounding communities. All of these needy children are receiving a free or substantially discounted private school education. The benefits of the Rafiki School compared to the African government schools are amazing:

- 18 students per class room compared to 70
- 30 hours in school per week compared to 15 hours
- 2 meals per day compared to 0 meals
- 3,000 text pages per 5th grade student compared to 350 if available at all
- Daily Bible classes compared to no Bible classes
- Many Science, Art and Music classes compared to a very minimal amount
- 3,000 library books compared to only a few books

By sixth grade, children in a Rafiki school will have read over 100 library books, memorized 200 verses of Scripture, studied ancient to present day history, explored music theory and the elements of art, and systematically developed investigative abilities in science and quantitative skills in math. Numerous children in Rafiki schools have already proven the effectiveness of a Christian classical education. One of our first Rafiki orphans has just received a full four-year scholarship to a major international university in Ghana. We couldn't be more proud!

Karen Elliott,

Executive Director **Rafiki Foundation, Inc.**

**October's Deacon
 of the Month**

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Hack and Barbara

SUNDAY SERVICES

October 4, 2015

8:00 and 10:00 am

Sermon:

“Master Says Farewell to His Friends”

Luke 24:13-53

Adult Sunday School 9:00 am

Children's Sunday School 10:00 am

Nursery available for children 3 1/2 and under

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Prayer Meeting and Bible Study

7:00 pm

**Your generous giving helps supports these ministries,
 selected by The Island Chapel Outreach Committee:**

Ministry	2014/15 Monthly Amount
LOCAL	
Suncoast Association	\$ 850
Manna on Wheels/Lighthouse Ministries	\$ 250
The Next STEPP Pregnancy Center	\$ 250
Florida Baptist Children's Home	\$ 250
D & D Missionary Homes	\$ 225
Intervarsity Christian Ministries	\$ 100
S.T.A.A.R. (Human Trafficking Rescue)	\$ 100
Center for Women's Ministries	\$ 100
NATIONAL	
Military Ministry/Campus Crusade	\$ 225
Jesus Project Ministries	\$ 100
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary	\$ 1,000
INTERNATIONAL	
FL Baptist Convention Cooperative Program	\$ 2,267
North India Christian Ministries	\$ 125
Rafiki Foundation	\$ 125
New Hope Ministries (Haiti Orphanage)	\$ 100

Schedule Of Events

THIS WEEK		
Oct 4	CUBA INTEREST MEETING	1 pm
Oct 4	Craft Gathering for HAITI Trip	2 pm
Oct 5	Ladies' Prayer Breakfast Skyway Diner 4000 34 th Street South	8 am
Oct 6	Men's Prayer Breakfast IHOP 4199 34 th St. So, St Petersburg	8 am
Oct 7	Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting and Bible Study "I Am A Church Member"	7 pm
Oct 8	Thursday Bible Study Call 251.490.1350 for directions	7 pm
NEXT WEEK		
Oct 14	Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting and Bible Study "I Am A Church Member"	7 pm
Oct 15	Thursday Bible Study Call 251.490.1350 for directions	7 pm



**CUBA
Interest
Meeting**

**Oct. 4th
1 pm**

**October is
PASTOR APPRECIATION
Month**

We will honor Dr. Mike and Maria on

October 25th



Announcements

Prayer Breakfasts

Ladies' Prayer Breakfasts

1st and 3rd Monday of every month

8:00 am

Skyway Diner
4000 34th Street South
St. Petersburg, FL

Men's Prayer Breakfasts

1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month

8:00 am

International House of Pancakes
4199 34th St. South
St. Petersburg, FL



**October 4th
2:00 pm**

**Join us as we work
together with First Baptist Seminole
putting together crafts to take to Haiti**

Collecting Gifts for Haiti



**Drop off Scarves and
Neckties in the lobby**



**Fall Harvest Festival
Contribute to the fun!**

Please DONATE:

- * Pumpkins (real or fake) * Small Toys *
- * Stuffed Animals and Stuffed Toys * Apples *
- Individually Wrapped Candy/Pretzels/Gummy Bears



**VOLUNTEER to help on Festival Day
Sign up in the Lobby**