



The Beacon
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Scripture Memorization, February

Philippians 4:13

“I am able to do all things through Him who strengthens me.”

MISSIONARY MOMENTS

Dear Island Chapel,

As I started to write this letter my thoughts drifted back to the night of August 29th, 2005. That night changed the lives of so many people. I became someone new the night hurricane Katrina hit the gulf coast. It is ten years later, and I want to somehow express to you how impactful your help through **Jesus Project Ministries** in Hollygrove is being.

From your faithful support we are watching and nurturing a miracle. The community of Hollygrove is being rebuilt. We are seeing the children and senior citizens in this community revived. It is an amazing transformation.

Certainly one example is the lot on the corner of Apple and Cambronne. This was a place that 6 years ago was on the blight watch in New Orleans. Jesus Project and our partners started caring for this lot, cleaning, clearing trash and utilizing it for community events. Just this month this property was conveyed over to us. What an amazing blessing to this community! We always have children playing on the lot. This was a place where drug dealers and addicts used to hang. This is across the street from where Paisley lost his hearing from a bullet that killed his brother. This lot is now filled with joy and the love of God. Not only is this lot a great place for children, but our senior citizen neighbors have their peace and safety back.

Terrence and JaMichael are another example. Five of JaMichael's brothers are in prison for gang related crimes, and his Mom has a severe alcohol addiction. Terrance has had one of the hardest years imaginable. Terrance's working father died of a heart attack. A few months later his Mom passed away, and at her funeral it was announced that his Grandfather that he was going to live with had died as well. Two nights ago, they stopped by to pick up a sandwich for dinner. As they walked away I yelled, “hey guys” and they turned around and said to me in concert, “we know, you love us.” And we do love them. These young men and so many more feel the manifest love that God has for them. They are better students, they are becoming better men, they are being transformed.

In Him,
 Debra and Rachel

SUNDAY SERVICES

February 21, 2016

8:00 and 10:00 am

Sermon:

“Your Smile Increases Your Face Value”

Philippians 1:3-4, 2:1-2, 3:1a, 4:4

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 pm

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

Ministry	2015/16 Monthly Amount
LOCAL	
Suncoast Association	\$ 874
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	\$ 2,330
North India Christian Ministries	\$ 125
Rafiki Foundation	\$ 125
New Hope Ministries (Haiti Orphanage)	\$ 100

**February's Deacon
 of the Month**

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Roy and Janet

Schedule of Events

THIS WEEK		
Feb 24	Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting and Bible Study	7 pm
Feb 25	No Thursday Bible Study	
COMING UP		
Mar 1	Men's Prayer Breakfast IHOP 4199 34 th St. So, St Petersburg	8 am
Mar 2	Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting and Bible Study	7 pm
Mar 3	No Thursday Bible Study	
Mar 6	Snowbirds Potluck	5 pm
Mar 7	Ladies' Prayer Breakfast Skyway Diner 4000 34 th Street South	8 am
Mar 9	Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting and Bible Study	7 pm

NOTE: Ladies' and Men's Prayer Breakfasts are NOT on the same week in March

SAVE THE DATE

EASTER EGG HUNT
March 26th - 10am

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

Fort De Soto Park
March 27th - 7am



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

Thursday Evening Home



Resumes March 10th

Snowbirds Potluck



Everyone is invited to
Welcome Back our Snowbirds!

Come fellowship with
good food followed
by a great movie!

Sunday, March 6th
5 pm

Sign up in the lobby

