



The Beacon

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Scripture Memorization, March

2 Corinthians 9:7

“Each person should do as he has decided in his heart – not reluctantly or out of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

MISSIONARY MOMENTS

Dear Island Chapel,

God has greatly blessed the **Military Ministry of Cru**. During 2015 over 43,000 service members came to Christ and we expanded our ministry to 28 countries overseas. We are thrilled to be part of what God is doing in the military all around the world. As I pray about 2016 serval goals keep coming to my mind:

I want to maintain our emphasis on evangelism as our main focus. We were founded in 1965 to share the Good News with the global military community and we never want to be distracted from that. There are many good things that we could do but this is the one thing that we **must** do.

I want to see us recruit more brave believers coming off active military duty to join our mission and help spread the gospel to fellow warriors. This is a real heart issue for me. I know what a huge impact a veteran can have in the lives of our active duty men and women. We want to do everything we can do to help them join our team.

I want to see us mobilize and equip individuals across the country to minister to the veterans in their midst. We have launched *Operation Share Hope*, which will provide individuals, churches and other community organizations with the training and resources needed to do that.

I want us to have the capability to be able to minister wherever there is conflict. We know that combat brings an openness to the Gospel and we want to “run to the sound of the guns” in order to share with those who are hurting the most. I am asking God to provide us with the funds to be able to establish an “International Emergency Response Fund” that will enable us to go anywhere in the world when the need arises.

Finally I am so thankful for you: for your prayers, your financial support and your commitment to our military heroes. I pray that God will give favor to our expanded efforts in 2016 and that you will be blessed in everything that He calls you to do.

In His service,

Joe Ludwikowski
Executive Director, **Cru Military**

March’s Deacon of the Month

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Joshua and Angela

SUNDAY SERVICES

March 6, 2016

8:00 and 10:00 am

Sermon:

“Set Your Sails for Joy”

Philippians 1:1-11

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

Schedule of Events

Announcements

THIS WEEK		
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
Mar 10	Thursday Bible Study Call 251.490.1350 for directions	7 pm
COMING UP		
Mar 15	Men's Prayer Breakfast IHOP 4199 34 th St. So, St Petersburg	8 am
Mar 16	Wednesday Evening Prayer Meeting and Bible Study	7 pm
Mar 17	Thursday Bible Study Call 251.490.1350 for directions	7 pm
Mar 21	Ladies' Prayer Breakfast Skyway Diner 4000 34 th Street South	8 am

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



Be a part of the
**EASTER EGG
HUNT FUN!**

We Need: Small wrapped candies & toys. Please bring to the church by March 20th



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

EASTER SUNRISE ON THE BEACH

March 27th - 7 am
East Beach, Fort De Soto

10 am Service at
The Island Chapel

Snowbirds Potluck



Everyone is invited to
Welcome Back our Snowbirds!

Come fellowship with good food followed by a great movie!

THIS SUNDAY
March 6th
5 pm

