



**The Beacon**  
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**Scripture Memorization,**

*Psalm 56:3*

*"When I am afraid, I will trust in You."*

**MISSIONARY MOMENTS**

**Prison Ministry**

(from one of our two churches in Hardee Correctional)

**Excerpt from a testimony in King's Highway Newsletter**

I realized even in my selfishness I did not want to die. I also realized that I was so caught up in my selfishness and drugs that I did not know how to live. Over twenty years in prison and I had yet to take any type of class, rehabilitation, or even step inside the chapel. Whenever I would go to the yard, even when I was hiding from the pain of losing my grandfather behind my latest high, brother Dominic and brother Gary would take the time to ask about my well-being, comfort me in my loss, and share Gods love with me. This reached my heart in a way that nothing else could. Despite all of my mistakes, poor choices, continuing use of drugs, and extreme selfishness, I saw God's love exampled through Gary and Dominic! When they invited me to a special service at King's Highway, I realized that I truly wanted more of this love they were exemplifying. So, despite my institutionalized perceptions of chapel, I gave them my word that I would attend. When I did go, and stepped inside the chapel I had a sense of coming home. All of my preconceived ideas were lost to the presence of God's love and mercy that I remembered from a childhood of being raised by a Christian mother that did her best to spare me the cost and pain of sin.

Despite its luster when I was young and rebellious. I believe God's word and promise of Proverbs 22: 6 "Teach up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it" By the faith and belief of my mother, her planting the seed so long ago of a knowledge of Jesus Christ personally in me, gave me the opportunity to enjoy a "coming home" feeling within my spirit when I came into God's house that day.

On December 31", 2014, I rededicated my life to God Almighty, through the blood of Jesus Christ, who came to earth, died for my sins, and rose again on the third day. Now I am baptized, and filled with the Holy Spirit and the old man is gone away as He teaches me and comforts me in my walk with Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.

-By Chris Stewart

**March's Deacon  
 of the Month**

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Josh & Angela

**SUNDAY SERVICES**

**March 19, 2017**

8:00 am and 10:00 am

**Sermon:**

**Backsliding into Legalism**

***Galatians 3:1-9***

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	2016/17 Monthly Amount
<b>LOCAL</b>	
Suncoast Association	\$ 1,035
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
<b>NATIONAL</b>	
Military Ministry/Campus Crusade	\$ 225
Jesus Project Ministries	\$ 100
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary	\$ 1,000
<b>INTERNATIONAL</b>	
FL Baptist Convention Cooperative Program	\$ 2,368
North India Christian Ministries	\$ 125
Rafiki Foundation	\$ 125
New Hope Ministries (Haiti Orphanage)	\$ 100

## Schedule of Events

## Announcements

	<b>This Week</b>	
<b>Mar 19</b>	<b>Special Business Meeting</b>	<b>After Service</b>
Mar 20	Ladies' Prayer Breakfast Skyway Diner 4000 34 <sup>th</sup> Street South	8 am
Mar 21	Men's Prayer Breakfast IHOP 4199 34 <sup>th</sup> Street South	8 am
Mar 22	Wednesday Evening Prayer Service and Bible Study	7 pm
Mar 23	Thursday Bible Study Call 251.490.1350 for directions	7 pm
<i>Coming Soon...</i>		
Mar 26	<b>2017 Pancake Breakfast Tierra Verde Fire Station #21 Advance Tickets \$5</b>	8:30 am-11:30am
Mar 29	Wednesday Evening Prayer Service and Bible Study	7 pm
Mar 30	Thursday Bible Study Call 251.490.1350 for directions	7 pm
 <b>Brief VBS volunteer interest meeting</b> April 2 after the 10am service at the TVCA building		
April 3	Ladies' Prayer Breakfast Skyway Diner 4000 34 <sup>th</sup> Street South	8 am
April 4	Men's Prayer Breakfast IHOP 4199 34 <sup>th</sup> Street South	8 am
April 5	Wednesday Evening Prayer Service and Bible Study	7 pm
April 6	Thursday Bible Study Call 251.490.1350 for directions	7 pm

# Prayer Breakfasts

## Ladies' Prayer Breakfasts

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month – 8:00 AM

Skyway Diner

4000 34<sup>th</sup> Street South, St. Petersburg, FL

## Men's Prayer Breakfasts

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month – 8:00 AM

International House of Pancakes

4199 34<sup>th</sup> St. South, St. Petersburg, FL

## Wednesday Prayer Service and BIBLE STUDY

Understanding the Old Testament

Studying  
1 Samuel



## Special BUSINESS MEETING

March 19<sup>th</sup> after service



Advance Tickets Only \$5

and are available at the

**TIERRA VERDE FIRE STATION**

**2017 PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Tickets are available on the day of the event for only \$7



Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

8:30am-11:30am

**Tierra Verde Fire Station #21**

540 Sands Point Drive

Proceeds benefit the Tierra Verde 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Lighting Event

# EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 10 am  
Tierra Verde Ballpark

### WE NEED:

Small wrapped candies & toys  
Volunteers

Sign Up Sheets  
In the Lobby



Sunday  
April 16  
6:45 am



East Beach  
Fort DeSoto  
Park

Sunrise brings a sense of hope, comfort and peace.  
Join us as we celebrate the Risen Christ,  
who is the giver of hope, comfort, peace and life.