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## SENIOR CARE HOMES

I am blessed to minister in the Senior Care homes. They are so appreciative that I come to share God's word with them. Some days are great and I can tell the Lord is using me to reach those I minister to. Some days are difficult and it seems as if Satan is in the room creating many distractions. This happens in all the places where we minister, and that is why we need your prayers. Please pray for our services and bible studies: that God will speak to and through us as we share His word; that God will open the eyes, ears, and minds of those we are ministering to; and that the residents and staff will be calm and at peace, so God's word will be heard.

As I was teaching one afternoon, someone asked a question about the Holy Spirit. The lesson quickly turned into a question and answer session. It was great to see they had so many questions and, at their age, were not afraid to ask. What a great time of teaching!

On another day two residents told me they were getting baptized. I wanted to make sure they knew what baptism meant so I spoke to them of true salvation and what baptism means. Baptism is an act of obedience symbolizing that salvation that has taken place in a person's life by believing and trusting in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. It is only by the cross, the perfect sacrifice of Jesus Christ's death to satisfy God's wrath on sin and His resurrection, that we can be saved. One lady responded that she had learned so much since I had been coming there and she fully understood and was ready to be baptized.

*Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.*

John 14:6

--Marty

## COASTAL HARBOR BOYS

Lawrence and I continue to visit Coastal Harbor most Sundays and we give thanks to God for this opportunity to minister. We are currently bringing the message of God's love to two boys' units. The turnover rate is high. Consequently, keeping up with the different names and faces can be difficult, but we do our best to connect to each of the boys. They can be very inquisitive and their understanding of God varies greatly. Last week a boy came to the service and asked if we could produce a God experience for him. We told him we could not make that promise and encouraged him to stay to hear the message of the Prodigal Son. He stayed and we preached the good news, gave him a bible, and suggested he read the Gospel of John. Please pray that he and others will come into a right relationship with God.

--Mike

## COASTAL HARBOR GIRLS

Remembering back to when I was fifteen years old, I was often at odds with my mom or dad. Sometimes I wasn't allowed to do something even though I argued "everyone else does it." My dad often reminded me that "money doesn't grow on trees" when I asked for more stuff. But I had a mother, father, and a stable home environment that, unfortunately, I took for granted.

Whenever girls at Coastal Harbor leave, we pray over them and offer them a small gift and card. "Eva" is just turning fifteen and leaving soon; when we asked her where she's going, she said she didn't know, but asked us to pray for a place. She will be assigned a group home but has no idea what city she'll be moving to. She has a good attitude, but I still can't imagine being the tender age of fifteen and moving into a home with complete strangers and no family.

"Rochelle" asked us to pray for her two weeks ago. She was headed to her uncle's house. She had been faithful to Bible study, so we offered her a Bible to take with her, but she said her uncle would never allow her to have it—that he would not allow her to attend church or make any mention of God. So Esther pulled out a small, slim New Testament and we told her to hide it well and read it every day.

Last week we prayed for "Torie," a fourteen-year-old leaving soon and awaiting approval to live with her father. When I asked her what grade she would be in this fall, she wasn't sure since she hadn't attended school since fifth grade. Why? She's been moving around from one facility to the next the past few years.

These are the girls we are bringing the hope of the Gospel to each week. We can't promise them a happy home, a good education, or a painless future. But we offer them Jesus, who promises to never leave them and has the power to give them a new life. Please pray for us to have wisdom as we minister and for the power of the Holy Spirit to be present whenever we visit. And know that your prayers and offerings help girls who are hungry to hear the truth and in great need of the saving power of Jesus.

—Cindy

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## SERVING CH GIRL'S

Esther was able to resume the Birthday mani-pedi's with the girls at Coastal Harbor. During the Covid outbreak this service to the girls had been suspended.

Many years ago, while reading John 13, the Lord put it on Esther's heart to provide this service with the girls. Jesus humbled Himself and washed the disciple's feet, a job that was reserved for servants.

*Jesus rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. <sup>5</sup> Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him.*

*John 13:4-5*

Jesus told them to go therefore and do the same, not necessarily washing feet but meaning we should serve others. We are so thankful that Esther is able to resume this activity with the girls of Coastal Harbor.

*If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.*

*John 13:14*

During the girl's birthday month, Esther and Patricia have this special time with each girl. By serving the girls in this way they are able to show the love of Christ, making them feel special and valued. This is a time that they can get to know the girls better and encourage them with God's Word and share the gospel with them. Some of the girls that did not previously go to Bible Study started attending after having their mani-pedi.

*We love because He first loved us.*

*1 John 4:19*

## PLEASE CONSIDER PARTNERING WITH US

**His Love Ministries does not charge the facilities for any of the services we provide.**

**We are a full-time ministry totally supported by individuals, churches, and businesses that are willing to financially partner with us to spread the Gospel to the forgotten.**

**Praise God for allowing this Ministry to be an instrument used to change lives!**

Statistics for January-July 2023

Professions of Faith: 24  
Church services: 93  
Bible studies: 152  
Attendance: 2,320  
Bibles given out: 52  
Birthday Mani-pedi's: 3  
Volunteers: 9  
Podcasts Downloads: 1,824 - 26 Countries & 33 States



## COASTAL HARBOR ADULTS

On the evenings that Dan Metts ministers to the residents of Coastal Harbor for adults, he brings a gospel message, gives out bibles, prays and counsels with many.

The residents are dealing with very difficult situations. The following are some of Dan's experiences as he ministers.

- One evening I had only two guys in the mental health wing come to the service. I spent 20 minutes with each one in turn explaining the gospel. I prayed with each one of them to accept Christ as their savior. I explained to them that they needed to repent of their sin against God and accept the remedy for sin that God provided, which is Jesus Christ. Please pray for God to truly change the heart of these men and deliver them from their sin issue and mental health issues.

- I had seven men in the mental health wing tonight. I gave out five bibles, and I counseled with three after the lesson tonight. One of the three was someone who, the past Sunday, I prayed with to receive Christ in his life. Another guy wanted to change, turn away from his old lifestyle, and draw near to God as his Savior. Pray that God will change the lives of these men and many others I have spoken the gospel to in this facility.

- One of the men in the mental health wing that I have spoken with several times seems to be doing better with his bipolar disorder. He seemed calmer. As I was leaving the unit, one attendant from the ladies mental health wing asked if I would have a short devotional with them. After all was said and done, I ministered to at least fifteen people today and I presented the gospel to each group I met with. God will work in the hearts of those He is calling to saving faith.

- I had four people in the service today. One lady says she has been a Christian for about 20 years but has never been able to stop getting drunk. She has tried to commit suicide which is why she is in Coastal Harbor. I counseled with her. She is trying to get into a long-term residence facility in Savannah. She is hoping she will be able to stay sober after that. She has professed saving faith in Christ, but her life does not consistently reflect that profession. This is a hard case; I am praying God will deliver her from drinking and she will begin to produce fruit of true repentance. God can do for her what she cannot do for herself.

Please pray for Dan and all of His Love Ministries staff and volunteers as we bring the gospel to the lost and forgotten.

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