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THE PATH NEWS

Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide a Christian living environment that allows true rehabilitation. To allow long term stays for life changing, biblical teachings to take effect. To encourage the work ethic, for those without a home in Citrus County.

THE ANCHOR HOLDS!

Greetings again to ALL those who are patiently looking for another glimpse into what God has been doing at THE PATH.

As always we want to thank ALL who have lifted The Path up in prayer and ministered to the Mission in one way or another. Thank GOD for helping YOU to continue being faithful.

Clients come and go and what a privilege it is that God would see fit to put so many people in our path. What a joy to know that we can share the Gospel along with love, support, and encouragement. We all need those things as human beings and especially in the world in which we live. No matter how hard the "valleys" or how the "waves" in life toss us to and fro, we have a SOLID FOUNDATION in Jesus Christ our Lord. That "ANCHOR" in the life of a Christian is what helps us hold fast to the faith that we need to carry on.

It is our desire to share God's Word with ALL those who enter here at The Path, whether they be clients, staff, or volunteers. You know that when life's troubles and trials come our way or we get tossed to and fro like the waves of the sea, we have an "ANCHOR" that is sure.

Where else can you find someone who is faithful and true? As the Bible says, He's the Lily of the Valley, the Bright & Morning Star, and the Rose of Sharon. And those of us who have trusted the Lord and walked with Him any length of time will testify that He is a friend that that sticks closer than a brother.

So remember, when you're in the "valley" find "the Lily" in your darkest night follow "the Star"; when you pass thru the thorns, enjoy the fragrance of "the Rose". God is our constant Guide, and no matter if the storms of life are raging ~ REMEMBER!, The "ANCHOR" holds!!

**A BIG THANKFUL WELCOME!!
TO OUR NEWEST STAFF MEMBERS**

Becky Keene who came to us in January, & Ralph Redwinski & Marianna Walus who joined us in March and April. Wow! God knows what we need!



Jeremiah 32:27

"Behold, I *am* the Lord, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?"



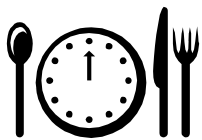
We need Land!



Moving furniture. Lots of furniture.....

GUESS WHAT?

We thought you might like to know how many clients at The Path are being blessed! Listed below are the services offered:



- The Totals for MARCH of 2005 are:
- Bed Nights: 240
 - Meals Served: 720
 - Church/Bible Study Attendance: 162
 - Alcoholics Victorious: 17
 - Counseling/Case Management: 50

Watch for new totals in our next Newsletter to see how God is working... because of **YOUR** generosity!

The Vision

To bring the good news and teachings of Jesus Christ to those in need by means of example according to Matthew 25: 35, " For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, for I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

NIV



The Garden and the Farm of 10 acres is doing very well. Watermelons, Can elope and Cucumbers. Thank God!

Physical Needs

PRAYERS most of all!

- ◇ Vitamins—Adult
- ◇ Baby & Toddler Clothes
- ◇ Feminine Hygiene Items
- ◇ Women’s Shoes-all sizes
- ◇ Dish/Laundry Detergent
- ◇ Clothes hampers
- ◇ People to make phone calls
- ◇ Portable Closets—2
- ◇ Foot lockers (client storage)
- ◇ Trash Bags—13 gal.
- ◇ Trash Bags—black
- ◇ Laminating machine
- ◇ Study Bibles with tabs
- ◇ Volunteer drivers
- ◇ Board members
- ◇ GED teachers/coaches
- ◇ Box fans
- ◇ 48” window mini blinds
- ◇ Locking cabinet
(for medications)
- ◇ Vehicle Donors
- ◇ Garden tenders
- ◇ Truck Trailer for storage
- ◇ Tractor w/implements
- ◇ Generator
- ◇ Car batteries
- ◇ Building Materials
- ◇ Houses to hold Garage sales for us, we deliver
- ◇ Screen Door
- ◇ Land for the Main shelter site.

UPDATES

Thank the Lord for the 10 acres the Nazarene Church has allowed us to use. Some of the clients from the Men’s house have already gone with DuWayne to do weeding so we can have some healthy watermelons, cantaloupes, and cucumbers. Praise God, we look



HEY ALL YOU PRAYER WARRIORS!

Anyone interested in being a part of The Path Prayer Team PLEASE call ! We will be meeting at 10 a.m.

on Friday mornings each week. Prayerfully consider being a part of lifting up The Path in prayer.

The thrift store location needs your urgent



Philippians 1:3

“I thank my God upon every remembrance of you...”

WE HAVE A PROJECT ~ CAN YOU HELP?

BECAUSE of God’s abundant blessings, we are finding out that we will need to CLOSE IN the carport outside The Path Office in back of the Lady’s House. In order to do that we need help with material and workers. Maybe God would see fit to have several people band together to accomplish this project. We know we’re asking a lot this month but we’re growing and being blessed with donations for the clients and we don’t want to turn them away nor do we want any donations or gifts to get ruined.

If you or anyone you know are interested, please call DuWayne at 527-6500 or Debbie at 746-5993. We appreciate anything that anyone can do to help us out. Please keep this in your prayers! Thanks!

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, ST., Zip: _____
 Phone: _____

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I wish to make a tax-deductible gift of:

\$10 _____ \$ 25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ \$500 _____ Other \$ _____

Call me! I would like to donate a _____ . Which is listed here in your needs .

I cannot make a financial contribution, but I would like to help you by volunteering in the following way

_____.

Have You Seen

Our Meditation Garden Lately?

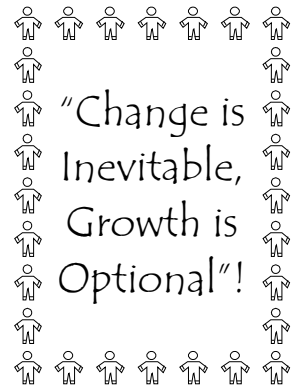


A BIG THANK YOU to Michelle for her creativity in the Meditation Garden. It is soooo... inviting! We all need our "space" and quiet time alone with God. We believe the garden will satisfy the eyes ~ as God's presence satisfies the soul. Thank you again Michelle and those who participated in landscaping our little oasis. We are grateful to you all, Thank you again!



Send a note to The Director!

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Approximately 50% of general funds from missions around the country come from planned giving, annuities, wills or estates.



Psalm 37:4

"Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thy heart."



From the Heart of our Director

With the escalating prices of land and buildings in Citrus County, we have found ourselves in a prolonged battle of patience to wait upon the Lord. We know that the prices are out of our reach and WHEN the Lord provides for His mission, it will be by His hand and no other. The county is in desperate need of low income apartments where service sector people and graduates from our program, especially the women, will have a step-up place to live until their education level changes or their job skills are increased to afford a regular domicile. Yes, many of these people have made gross mistakes but in the mercy of our All Mighty God, He protects and makes ways for these families and commands us to do the same. Some of the most powerful prayers here at the mission, is that of a mother for her children. Dear Lord, let us keep up the good fight for these women and children and let us not get weary.

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