THE PATH OF CITRUS COUNTY

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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.

BEAUTY FOR ASHES

It's amazing how God can reach the heart and soul of a man, women, boy or girl. I know I've seen it time and time again in my lifetime. Here's one for you! Let us introduce you to a gentleman who has been with us a short time and yet God has done GREAT things already. I'll let him tell you his story. I introduce you to Mr. Bill D. with his testimony!

Sleeping with the Enemy

"For 53 years I slept with the enemy. I had plenty of opportunities in my life to do the right thing, but I did it my way and it didn't work. On May 20, 2006, I was driving down the road and had an accident. I had never hurt anyone intentionally. This was God smacking me in the face to change my ways. It hurt a lot! Praise the Lord. The following Sunday, in church, I couldn't listen and kept looking at the picture of Jesus with his hands held out. I returned to the scene of the accident and prayed and asked for forgiveness. I asked Jesus to come into my life. I felt like a 100 lb weight was lifted from my shoulders. I can't explain it, but my life is changed. I find myself talking about my Savior to people on the street. I'm not ashamed that I have someone who died for me. I always thought I was useless. I don't feel that way anymore. I'm here to glorify my God and do testimonies to what has happened in my life. The last four years had been strictly downhill--drugs and alcohol. I tried 12 step programs but they didn't work. Then Jesus put his hands on my shoulders. I can see him holding me in his arms. I have

THANK YOU
FOR ALL
YOUR
PRAYERS
AND
SUPPORT!

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<u>DANNY'S</u> <u>CORNER</u>

A favorite saying to
help clients is:
Sin will take you
FARTHER than
you're willing to go—
keep you LONGER
than you're willing to
stay — and cost you
MORE than you're
willing to pay!

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**

Our Farm is getting Planted Let us know if you like veggies

Jeremiah 33:3

"Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."

WELCOME DACK MD. Daws and L. C.

WELCOME BACK MR. DuWayne!

Our Executive Director had a safe and productive trip up and back from all the way up in Seattle, Washington. The AGRM (Association of Gospel Rescue Missions) had their 90th annual convention meeting that Mr. DuWayne tries to be sure and attend to gain knowledge and input that will better equip him run the shelter and handle all the many things he's responsible for. He has a big job to do so continue to keep him in your prayers!



Congratulations... to EVERYONE! for completing their Bible Study Lessons!



Front Row: Teacher Dr. Randy, Kim, Joe

Back Row: Chris, Bill, Bob

Physical Needs—PRAYERS MOST OF ALL!

- ♦ Diapers (we are out of sizes 3-6)
- ♦ Baby & Toddler Clothes
- **Double Service** Boxes of Feminine Items
- ♦ Shoes-all sizes— **gently used**
- Dish & Laundry Detergent
- People to make phone calls
- OPOP Portable Closets
- ⋄ Trash Bags—13 gal. & 30 gal.
- ♦ Laminating machine (Large)
- Study Bibles with tabs
- Volunteer drivers, once a week for 3 hours at one time during the day

- ♦ MINI-VAN Donors for the shelter
- ♦ Garden tenders
- ♦ Chest of drawers, many as possible
- ⋄ 3 point hitch implements for tractor, plow, planter, bush hog, rake
- **♦ Twin Beds**
- ♦ Car batteries
- ♦ Building Materials (stairwells)
- Houses or Churches to hold thrift sales for us, we deliver extra products.
- ♦ Land for the Main shelter site.
- **Vinyl Covers for twin mattresses**



Proverb 3:6

"And He will direct your Path."

PLEASE Welcome our newest Staff Members!!



Mark Goodman
Truck Driver

We sure do appreciate willing hearts to help.

What a GREAT addition to The Path!



Debbie MaxfieldWomen's Night Administrator



Dr. LeebGroup Counselor



Job Coach

Name: Send Reply to: The Path Address: **PO** Box 3024 Inverness, Fl.//34451 City, ST., Zip: Phone-352-527-6500 Phone: I wish to make a tax-deductible gift of: Call me! I \$10 \$100 \$500 \$50 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

THANK GOD FOR THOSE WHO ARE WILLING AND FAITHFUL

PATH THRIFT STORE

"I'm well blessed!", says Sherry at the Path Thrift Store. She works 10-11 hours a day and says she is seeing more customers every day. We might say that she's a blessing!

Visit Sherry on Flamingo Friday for a special surprise!



The Banquet is October

Table
Captains are
being signed

Call us now! 527-6500

Greatest Needs

♦Prayers mostly
♦Diapers:
sizes 4,5, & 6
♦Churches to
stuff the big
truck at their
church with
donated items
♦Hamburger

From the Heart of the Director

Recently my friend John Brex approached me with an idea of sending out job descriptions for volunteers. I was reluctant at first but he was able to convince me that this might work to get volunteers into the mission and helping over worked employees. Well, I am happy to report that the job descriptions worked and are still working. One women who we will mention later, has taken on the newsletter position and most likely the volunteer coordinator position. Yet others, have answered positions for data entry, nutrition and doing some sales for us on the internet. We all live in a very busy world and we all need help and to love and be loved. There is very little difference between the clients, staff and volunteers. We pray that we can all love and work together as we build the kingdom. The Path is still planning on long term apartments and we seem to have strong support now that the United Way survey has come back with affordable housing being the top need in our county. Debbie has done a great job with the Access to Recovery funding but she needs some time off. So please keep all the staff built up and in prayer as we have a tremendous impact on the housing of our people who have needs that we can supply and may the Lord give us more to give.

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