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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.

New Year's Resolution: Time for a Change



Woody is smiling today, and carrying his bible proudly. This is a new year, and Woody has a new life as a result of his stay at The Path, hard work and a great deal of prayer. He is a proud Path graduate, and living on his own. He came to The Path in the fall of 2006: broken, very lost and lonely. Woody had recently lost his wife of many years. He told the Path staff that he was ready to die.

Because of God's wonderful grace, we were able to give Woody shelter and the much-needed nourishment for his body and his soul. He worked hard to succeed and to grow spiritually. After a period of time, he went out to find work— but it wasn't easy for him to find a job. Often discouraged, Woody never gave up.

On Christmas Day, the clients were treated to a special Christmas dinner at First Baptist Church (thanks again, Linda, for the fine meal, and to all those who sacrificed their time to make the clients' Christmas day a blessed occasion!). Woody was pensive and quiet. We all wondered what he was thinking about.

A few days later he told me it was the first Christmas he could remember in a long time being sober, and it felt good! He was so happy he had made it this far.

Woody has been working full time now for a little over a month. He found a comfortable house to rent and holds on to his strong desire to start over, as well as his renewed faith in Jesus Christ. On January 22, 115 days after he came to The Path for help, he graduated.

Woody has a strong desire to succeed in life. Won't you please pray for him: for the Lord to richly bless him with a good and sober life? I know we sure will!

Quote for the day

"You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face... You must do the thing you cannot do."

*Eleanor Roosevelt*



*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."

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**Featured Path Client: GRAND OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**DAWN**



Just as the picture shows, Dawn is excited and for good reason: On Monday, Feb. 5, Dawn became the fourth Path client to begin her C.N.A. training.

Let's all keep her in our prayers over the next few weeks!

We are pleased to announce The Path has opened a new store in Hernando! Stop by Mon-Fri 10am-3pm and check out the beautiful antiques, knick-knacks and gift items. Tell your friends! See details

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*What's New at the Farm*

Keep the crops in your prayers. While it seemed as though the weather was cooperating when we planted this season, conditions for a good winter crop were not. Spring is just around the corner and we are looking ahead to a 'fruitful' (or vegetable-full!) planting and harvest in the coming months. Volunteers welcome!

### OVERCOMER'S PRAYER

Lord, You know I'm pushing on  
 to run this race.  
 I fix my eyes on You  
 in everything I face.  
 Even when my feelings  
 say it isn't so,  
 Your Truth that beats inside  
 my heart,  
 won't let me go.  
 With every step of faith  
 You strengthen me.  
 Along every mile of trust  
 You're remaking me.  
 'Tho a trail of tears mark  
 the *PATH* that I've come,  
 Until in Your arms---  
 I'll continue to run."  
 Amen

Hebrews 12:1-22,  
 2 Corinthians 4:8-9

*Also, don't forget us in  
 your will. We can help  
 with estate planning to  
 grow the Kingdom.*

### Because of your support...

For the year of 2006, we have been blessed by you to be able to provide the following:

- Bed Nights: **Approx- 3275**
- Meals Served: **Over 10,000**
- Church Services attended: **Over 1800**
- Wkly Bible Study Attendance: **Over 900**
- Alcoholics Victorious: **Over 450**
- Counseling/Case Management:  
**Over 450 Hours!!!!!!!!!!!!**

*Thank you for blessing The Path during 2006...  
 we look forward to your continued support  
 during 2007!*



**Proverbs 3:6**

**“And He shall direct your path.”**

What you are is God's gift to you...

What you make of yourself is your gift to God...

*Anonymous*



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*Don't forget, we can use your old auto. Call us!*



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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 \_\_\_\_\_.*



**God's Wit & Wisdom**

**Love deeper.  
Speak sweeter.  
Forgive.  
Be a friend.  
Get to know Me.**

**Psalm 121**

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth...The LORD is thy keeper...The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve they soul.

**BIBLE QUIZ**  
 What is the only book of the Bible that doesn't mention the name of God?  
*(answer on page 2)*

**NEW PATH BARGAINS & ANTIQUES STORE**

2636 N Florida Ave (N. Hwy 41)  
 HERNANDO

Next to the Bright Green Produce Stand  
Purchase \$20 or more at the store– Get \$10 free fresh veggies next door with this newsletter!!!!!!!



**Hours: M-F 10 am—3 pm**  
**Closed Wednesdays**  
**560-6163**  
*Volunteers welcome!*

**Greatest Needs**

- ◇Prayers mostly
- ◇People to setup donations in store
- ◇Churches to host the director for speaking
- ◇Safe House for children when our Moms are sick
- ◇Farm Help
- ◇Cashiers



From the Heart of the Director

It has weighed heavily on my heart but there is no getting around it. Affordable housing is our goal and although it is a huge task and going to cost millions of dollars, it must be pursued in our county. Is it enough that people stay at our shelter often learning new life skills and quit drugs or alcohol and we cannot give them a place to live that they can afford? I still turn down 3 out of every 4 phone calls for shelter. Many are disabled and the elderly who cannot work anymore and our program is too small and we must concentrate on those that can work. We pray for God to lead the way and for people to step forward that will help with this monstrous issue. It will take many volunteers to help the mission while the money is being raised and steady staff members who know the sacrifice. Thank you all for being a supporter of the mission and may His blessings flow for our county.

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