

His Love Ministries



NURSING HOME, JAIL, AND PRISON MINISTRY

A Ministry Dedicated to Reaching out to those the World has Forgotten

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Thank you to all who participated in our outreach during Christmas! God worked in an amazing way through the:

- Adopt a nursing home resident -52 adopted
- 600 Christmas cards made and given out throughout the month of December.
- Christmas programs at Coastal Men's Transition Center, Youth Detention Center and Coastal Harbor for Youth.
- Christmas Eve service at Coastal Harbor for Adults and Habersham House Assisted living.

Smiles

You should have seen the smiles as I walked around Tara Nursing Home and gave out Christmas Cards to the residents. We also went over to Oceanside and Savannah Beach Nursing Home to give out cards. All told, we gave out around 150-200 cards in one day to those in 3 Nursing Homes. It is amazing what a simple thing like a card will do for someone's day. There was much gratitude and lots of smiles. Thanks to all the kids at 1st Baptist Islands, 1st Baptist Rincon, Community Bible Church of Savannah, Isle of Hope Methodist and Savannah Christian School 1st - 5th graders for making all the beautiful cards. The residents loved them. We have given out 600 this Christmas at Coastal Harbor for Youth, The Youth Detention Center, Coastal Men's Transitional Center and all the Assisted Living and Nursing Home Facilities we minister to. We also were able to give out five gift baskets and a bathrobe for the residents at Oceanside that were provided by a generous volunteer.

--Marty

**Thank you to those who join us in reaching the forgotten with your financial support, prayers & volunteering!
God bless you!**

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2011 Ministry Accomplishments



I would like to give praise to our wonderful Lord and Savior for allowing this Ministry to be the instrument used in changing lives.

Statistics from January to December of 2011:

- Church/Bibles studies conducted: 908
- Ministered to 15,641 people
- Salvations: 82 at least
- Prayed /counseled with 440 people
- Bibles given out: 662
- Volunteers: 63

Friends and Co-laborers in the Lord,

Thank you to all of you who helped with our Adopt a Nursing Home Resident project. You reached many more lives than you know. Not only were the residents blessed, but so were the workers at the homes and the out of state relatives of the residents who could not be with their loved ones at Christmas time. They were very grateful to know local people cared about their relatives that they had never met before this past Christmas. Each one of you who participated was a great blessing.

I would like to update you on my progress as a minister with His Love Ministries. God is working in many ways with and through me. I see the inmates and the nursing home residents getting to know me and trust me. They are starting to open up to me and it is a great blessing to me when they see me come in and they greet me with a smile and sometimes even a hug. Mr. Henry Blackaby sure was right when he said, "Watch to see where God is working and join Him in His work." I am grateful to you and God for allowing me to become part of this ministry.

Thank you all for your support for us, through your thoughts, contributions, and your prayers. God bless each of you for what you do for us at His Love Ministries.

--Douglas Cone

"Watch to see where God is working and join Him."

--Henry Blackaby

His Love Ministries is now reaching out to the truckers. Doug conducts a church service at the Truck Stop. God is really working through this and touching the lives of these truckers who are always on the road and seldom get to attend a church service.

Coastal Harbor for Youth

One night in December, I was at Coastal Harbor for Youth for our weekly girls Bible study. There were 18 girls and 3 staff in a small room with only 12 desks; the topic was forgiveness (Psalm 32). The girls had so many questions. I love the questions. It means they are thinking and they really want answers. I even had a staff person ask me for a Bible that night. It is so sad to see these teen and pre-teen girls think that God will not forgive them for what they have done. Please pray for them, that they will understand God's great sacrificial love for them and that He will forgive them. So many of them have people in their lives that they need to forgive, or they need to be able to forgive themselves, but they need to know the unconditional love and forgiveness of our wonderful LORD and Savior before they are truly able to do that. I really feel that God is working on some of their hearts. Please pray that they will be sensitive to God's tugging at their heart

We had a great Christmas program at Coastal Harbor, about 60 attended. A group of 13 from International Bible Christian Fellowship led the service with singing, a wonderful testimony and a message from Erik Locanilao. James Rody also lead them in some fun Christmas songs. There were 21 of us there to minister to the kids and staff. The kids had fun and really enjoyed themselves. **God is awesome.** About 20 kids came forward to pray. We gave them each a card, made just for them and some candy. After the service Marty and I were talking to some of the staff, and they said that they were really glad we were ministering over there. They also said they can tell that God is doing something there. AMEN!

God also answered our pray for someone to lead a boy's Bible study. Starting this month Erik Locanilao will be leading this Bible study for the boy's at Coastal Harbor.

--Shelly

Christmas Eve Service at Habersham House



Hailey, Lily and Sydney singing at Habersham House. What joy they brought to these residents.

Prayer Needs

- Coastal Harbor: more teachers so we can go weekly.
- Men who will teach on a regular basis or as needed.
- Please **Pray** for our Services. The schedule is on our website, or call me and I will send you one.
- **Pray** for people to continue to trust the Lord and grow in their walk through the ministry we do.
- **120** Regular monthly supporters at \$10 a month

It Looks Nice

I went to an Assisted Living Facility today where a Polish lady proceeded to tell me in Russian that the Russians have a saying. The English Translation goes like this: It looks nice, but once inside you see that it is not nice. She was saying that she felt like she was in jail inside this facility—that she thought it was nice before she moved in and now it was like she was locked up. She has no other family here and is a dear sweet lady. We don't realize that these older folks are not locked up in a jail or prison, but many times they feel like they are because they have lost all freedom to do what they want and are at the mercy at times of the staff and people who run these facilities and not all of them do what they are supposed to do for these dear people who just need a little love and attention.

--Marty

Youth Detention Center -- Bible Study

There was a sincere time of listening in spite of noisy distractions in the room. The Spirit was especially strong in a few who received Christ last week. One girl in particular wanted to go to her room when I left. As she was asking permission to do so, she gripped her Bible close to her chest. She wanted to go spend time alone with God rather than be a part of what else would transpire in the room upon my leaving. Pray God does much for this dear young girl's life and all the others who made confessions of receiving Jesus Christ.

One Saturday morning at the YDC the female unit was on cleaning detail, so I proclaimed Christ to the "Charlie Unit"-13 boys. Five of those young boys indicated they trusted Christ to be their Savior. The most frequent prayer request was asking for help "to act right" so they "never have to come back to jail again." I only had time to briefly touch on how to walk with Christ. Please pray for these boys.

--Christy Mixson

Small group events

We need your help! Help us spread the word about His Love Ministries and what we do by hosting a small group event. All you need to do is invite friends that do not know about HLM. We will come and give a short presentation about what our ministry does. Maybe serve some easy refreshments and some good ole fellowship. Doesn't that sound easy and fun? If you are interested in helping please contact Marty at 398-0573 or

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Please Join Us!

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