



*From Executive Director, Darryll Davis*

The Prisoner's Hope is now offering an in-house Bible Study entitled:

"The Hope Within"

When: Every Monday from 6:30-7:45pm  
Begin Date: Observing 'social distancing', start will be postponed  
Location: The Prisoner's Hope Office  
11501 Plantside Dr. STE 10  
How Long: March 9th - April 13th  
(6 weeks) dates will be revised

The Topic of the class will be based upon 1Peter 3:15 "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear."

The Flow of the class will be interactive, somewhat academic by way of word studies and research. Homework and group participation required.

Come join us for a great 6 week study...  
Please RSVP so we know we have enough room.

In His grace  
Darryll



For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.  
Romans 14:7-8

FAITH IS

Is it possible to find liberty in prison,  
And freedom without a key  
And do you know God is a God of contrasts,  
Oftimes working not in what you see?  
When we vest our faith in what we pray,  
Don't seek the answer alone,  
For it could come another way  
And He may not make it known.  
Faith is a substance,  
Evidence not yet seen.  
It's the total abandonment  
Of all logic and means.  
It's to be totally persuaded  
Of God's perfect plans,  
The absolute dependence  
Upon His sovereign hand.  
Yes, liberty can be found in the abstract,  
This is His perfect will.  
It's obtained through faith and expectation,  
Not what you see or feel.

*By Darryll Davis*  
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Support Groups:  
502-609-1013  
Southeast Christian, Thursdays  
@ 7:15 pm

## Standing on the Promises of God..

In the last few weeks, news updates about COVID-19 have increased exponentially. Certainly we have to remain aware of what is going on around us, but when we give so much of our attention to events that are beyond our control, we can lose sight of the things within our control. In these difficult times, each of us are faced with the choice of how we will respond. In the midst of these circumstances, we should choose prayerfully and cautiously how we continue to live out our faith before an audience that has little or no faith. An audience that has placed their hopes in everything “but” Christ. A huge population of people now observe those false hopes crumbling before them.

### A Sovereign indictment to a practical mindset....

“Leaving the crowd behind, they took Him along, just as He was, in the boat. There were also other boats with Him. A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke Him and said to Him: Teacher, do you not care that we perish? He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Peace, Be Still.” Then the wind died down and was completely still.” Luke 4:36-39

In deliberating on this particular text today, I realized a few things that truly spoke to my heart.

- 1) After the Disciples had been with Jesus throughout the regions, they witnessed miracles, observed mercies and experienced providential compassion in ways that only a few had seen. At the first crisis however, the Disciples asked a question that each of us will inevitably ask somewhere along the way.

*“Does thou not care that we perish?”*

- 2) “A furious squall came up, and the waves *broke over the boat*, so that it was nearly swamped.” Without Christ’s allowance of the squall to raise exponentially, the Disciples would have continued to *handle* matters by their own experiential abilities.
- 3) “He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Peace, Be Still.” Then the wind died down and was completely still.”

The Divine timing of the Master is beyond finite means. As in Ecclesiastes 3, there is a time for all things. His counsel will stand with His eye upon every nation. He stands not aloof, looking the other way in the Heavens, nor is His Divine allowance arbitrary.

How will we respond as Christians? Ephesians 6:10-18 has a common exhortational thread running throughout. “After doing all you can to “Stand, Stand having....” The Word stand in the koine greek is: (histemi), and is defined as: “To continue Covenant.”

Will we stand when others are falling all around us, will we continue covenant, that others may see what real faith looks like? Will we “esteem others above us as the water rushes over the bow and threats of going down are more imminent than ever before?

Brothers and sisters: when I think of the word “Stand.” I naturally think of our Nation’s motto: “United we stand, divided we fall.” When I think of Standing, I think of Standing before the one that has equipped us to stand. And I think of believers “Standing Together, before An Audience of “One.” (continued on page 2)

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Friends, Partners and Donors continue Covenant with us as we continue Covenant with you and those we serve.

**On Christ, the Solid Rock I stand...**

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.  
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace;  
In every high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil.  
On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.

The Prisoner's Hope will continue to "Stand" in the face of adversity, difficult times and financial unpredictability. Your continued support (at any level) is more needed and appreciated at this time than you may know. Some of our mentees have lost jobs, some of our impoverished families are struggling greatly. Your prayers are equally as important. May the Lord Bless each of you throughout this challenging time. We are always here for any of you. If you need assistance – do not hesitate to call.

We will "continue covenant" serving those we are called to serve. We will serve as we always have, with the assurance that Christ has called us "for just such a time as this."

In Him,  
The Whole Team at The Prisoner's Hope

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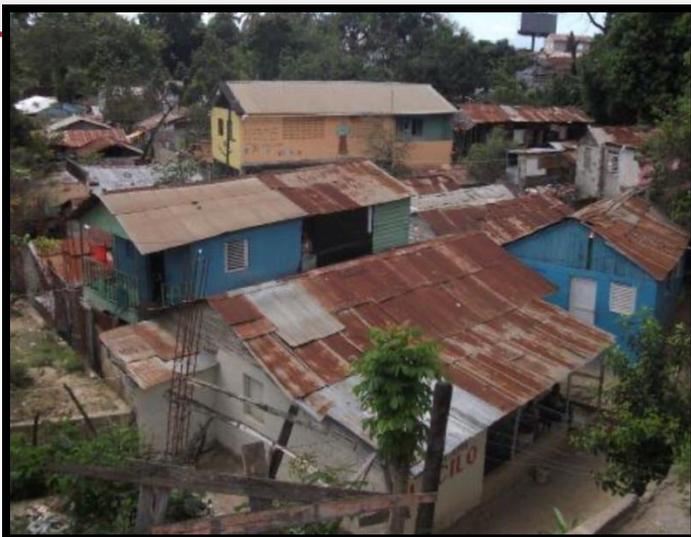
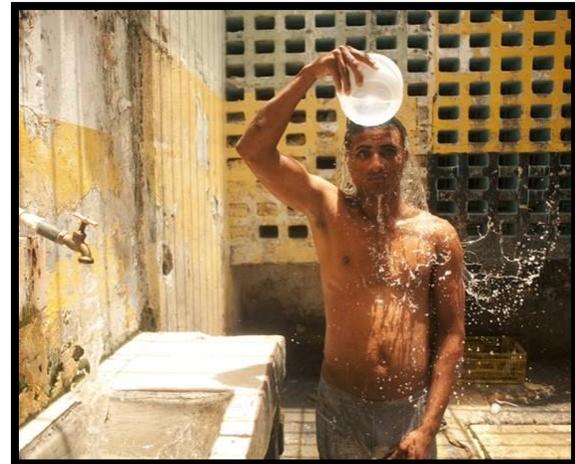
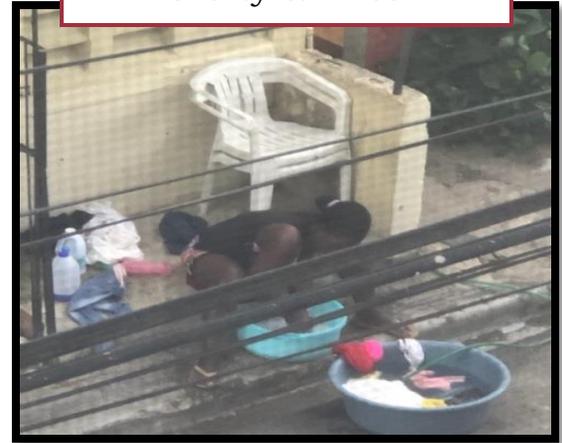
## *Sharing the Mission Fields*

As most of you are aware: This year “The Prisoner’s Hope” and “GO Ministries” are working very closely together to see how we can further the Kingdom work which has been entrusted to each of us. GO has been a huge source of help throughout these last 6 years, providing office space, continued accountability, assistance in ministry direction, and the opportunity to glean the wisdom of a veteran Ministry that has made huge impact in the Dominican Republic for many years. In January 2020, GO invited us to the D.R. to see the many aspects of Ministry in full operation.

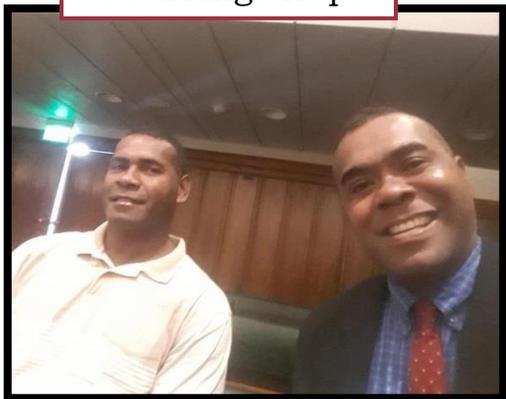
We arrived in Santiago and began each day with a “field trip,” venturing to areas both in and out of the city. Each day was unbelievable, as we toured an amazing Sports center reaching thousands of children during the year. The complex provides mentorship, seminary opportunities and serious coaching. The medical center for the impoverished offers health services that otherwise would not be available. Church planting is another focus of Go Ministries, empowering local leaders.

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## Dominican Republic Poverty & Prison



Photos of a Santiago neighborhood (bottom left), a mom doing family laundry (top rt), a Santiago prison (middle rt), a prison shower (bottom rt)



Pictures of Progress:  
Moesis & Paublo (top lf), medical center (2nd & 3rd lf), school (4th lf), Leadership Development Complex (bottom rt) which houses sports, seminary, coaching & mentorship centers

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The school provides educational opportunities to dozens of children. A full time Seminary, Church and Kingdom businesses all work together to enhance and bring life to an area that otherwise has little hope.

We connected with Moesis & Paublo who, with a handful of volunteers, have accessed 7 prisons and performed over 500 baptisms in Santiago prisons. Conducting Celebrate Recovery and teaching Rooted classes have reached literally hundreds of men in the last 3 years.

Sitting and sharing with them for over 2 hours (with a translator) and listening to their accomplishments while sharing what we have in place at TPH was so inspiring. They rejoiced and asked if we could share the Daniel Project in hopes of implementing it in the prisons there.

It was quite the educational trip for us here at TPH, reaching deep into our hearts and providing new hope for others, opportunities to lean in and pray, be involved and understand the plight of others.

Thank you GO.....



## *New Faces at TPH...*



My name is Bill Voit; I am a new volunteer with THP. I am native of Louisville. My wife, Carol, and I are members of Southeast Christian Church. We moved back to Louisville in November 2018, retiring from a career in public policy at the Council of State Governments (CSG) in Lexington, a non-partisan information broker for state officials and staff around the country.

I learned about TPH when Darryll spoke at the Strength in Christ Men's Group at SECC. I have been involved with the Gideon jail ministry since the 1990's. My interaction with inmates over the years confirmed their need for God and a way to support themselves and their families when they "get out." I decided to join the pursuits of THP in these areas when I saw how effective the ministry is addressing both needs with its mentees.

My role in the ministry's efforts is to expand the number of companies which hire ministry clients, ensure clients are prepared to work, match client skills with jobs, polish up appropriate work behavior, have them engage in mock interviews and help newly employed clients adapt to the work world.

My name is Glenda Wagner. I have been married 45 years to my husband, Gary. I am blessed to be mother of 2 great young men, have 2 special daughter-in-laws, 2 grandchildren, and a bonus daughter. Gary & I attend Southeast Christian Church.

I recently came onboard TPH as Case Manager connecting mentors with mentees. I read about Darryll and The Prisoner's Hope in the SE Outlook at a time when we had a family member in need. I reached out to Darryll and the guidance he gave our family was priceless.

I had just retired after 30 years in Sales/training, 10 years in Health/Wellness and was a Certified Life Coach. I decided it was time for me to give back by volunteering and offering some of my skills to TPH Ministry. I love being able to connect mentors to walk alongside of mentees as they get reacquainted with life on the outside of prison walls and overcome obstacles one step at a time.



## *New Direction...by Jonie Lynn*

Let me start by saying how great is our God. He takes care of all His children and all our cares as we give them over to Him. I did 14 years flat for crimes committed by another family member. I had served our Lord as a volunteer pastor before my life was turned upside down; my church family turned their back and the first blame game I played was on our Father God. I walked away from God and was consumed with hurt, anger and resentment for a long time. During my incarceration, I was going to commit suicide when God broke through the walls I built and intervened. I found a true relationship with our Lord and Savior. When people tell you that is when the devil attacks, they are right! I needed to find a good support system; I joined a class called DC28, a 9 month discipleship with the Lord and His word. During this process, it was recommended I write The Prisoner's Hope ministry. I was skeptical but this one choice made a crucial difference in my walk with our Father. I was assigned a mentor who wrote me and worked with me while incarcerated and continues to work with me in post-incarceration. Correspondence was an avenue to rebuild trust, release and heal. After serving out 14 years I was filled with fright, a stranger to society and struggled with conflicting emotions. Society is not set up to accept and/or help that person make it back. Many renters choose not to rent to ex-felons, jobs are scarce for a person with labels. If one didn't have help, simple things such as obtaining food can be a major issue upon release. Today, I am employed in a well-paying career I enjoy in a very nice company. I am very strong in my faith and my walk with God which is challenged daily living in a transitional house surrounded by a prison mentality that excludes God. I 100% trust and depend on my TPH family as my support system; spiritually, physically and emotionally. I truly believe they are making a change in the revolving door of prisoners one person at a time. Let me end by saying how great is our God!