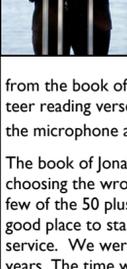


“On Eagles Wings”

Chaplains Flight Plan

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Air Chapel's curriculum for February, March and April is LOVE, PRAYER and EASTER respectively. Air Chapel Ministers are devoted to God's love. We encourage boot camp youth to pray with a confidence of faith, and explore the mystery of life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

March 27 was the last Sunday for our "Prayer" topic. The scripture reading was from the book of Jonah. The boys raised their hands to volunteer reading verses, as is our tradition. Ten cadets lined up at the microphone and read Jonah's Prayer.

The book of Jonah is only four pages but has enough about choosing the wrong direction and the consequences that a few of the 50 plus boys were reading ahead! Obedience is a good place to start for God's message for our community service. We were studying God's Word, with boys 12- 17 years. The time was 0830 Sunday morning. Paul Garland sang & played guitar. Paul's song, an old "holy roller" hymn, was accompanied by the boys playing tambourines & drums. Brother Rick mentioned feeling a warm comfort. We agreed that the Holy Spirit is here! Praise God! God's children are why we are here. The Holy Spirit is here as God's gift to His children!

Coach Hitsman, a teacher, talked about a time that he went the wrong way. The football Coach's story was about prayer, God's personal message in scripture and failing to change coaching jobs. Randy's consequences was 5 years of being unhappy with a job. Coach gave a good example of how we must move close to God and trust Him. "God doesn't change or move to us, we must move to Him." Randy used a fist and open hand to illustrate the movement closer to God.

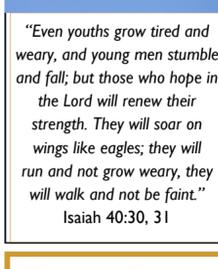
From the beginning to the end, our worship service was blessed by the presence and Sustainer of life, the Holy Spirit! We like to tell the youth that God is the Author of the Bible, Jesus is the Authority and the Holy Spirit is the Action in our lives! Air Chapel boot Camp worship services have over 90% voluntary attendance! May God's Spirit always bless religious liberty! Jesus is the Truth, the Way and the Light! Our Savior was rejected by the law. Jesus was killed and arose from the dead! The Resurrection, Pentecost & the Holy Spirit enable our faith.

"As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead." James 2:26. The Holy Spirit enables both young & old. "And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Acts 2:21 May God grant us, as He did Stephen, to be full of faith and of the Holy Spirit." Acts 6:5 As God's ministers we plant seeds and water with biblical principles. Only God can make things grow. Victory is certain and belongs to our King Jesus!

Yours in Christ,

R. Terry Dyer

“Christianity is a warfare, and Christians are spiritual soldiers” - Robert Southwell



“Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.”
Isaiah 40:30, 31

Timothy Project

One of the critical aspects of the Timothy Project is to maintain contact with former cadets until they complete their high school requirements and move on with their lives. It would be great to say that we were successful in every case, but the truth is that we win some of the battles and we lose some others.

Because the boys come from over 30 counties in Texas, it is disappointing at times to get a return letter marked "no forwarding address", or the phone number we called is no longer a working number. But we rejoice in the successes such as last May when we received high school graduation announcements from 4 former cadets. We were excited to be able to send them a small monetary gift and a reminder that we have scholarship help for them to pursue college or a vocational trade if they so desire.

Even though we lose track of a boy at times, we know we have planted a seed that one day may produce a great harvest.

From The President's Desk

Tommy Hudspeth

On March 23rd I had the pleasure, along with fellow volunteer, Duane Walsh, of speaking to the Waples Methodist Men's group about the Air Chapel and it's work with the young men in the Grayson County Juvenile Justice Boot Camp. It always surprises me how many people are not even aware there is a boot camp in the county, but I am not as surprised that they are unaware of the services provided by the Air Chapel.

The Air Chapel, being an all volunteer group, often flies "under the radar" so to speak, and is not as high profile a group as some ministries. But through networking with individuals and churches, it has faithfully served the cadets for the past thirteen years. The Air Chapel not only offers faith based services each week, but there is so much more. Each cadet, upon arrival, is provided a new, fully tabbed, bible and camouflage zipper cover with the Air Chapel logo on it. Along with the bible, there is a small New Testament with the Psalms and Proverbs, a Bible Promises book, and a Prayer of Jabez work book.

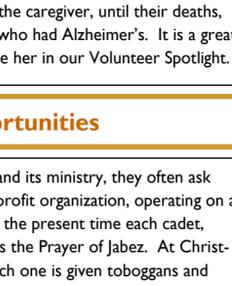
During the year, the Air Chapel provides a 4th of July and a Christmas party for the boys complete with individual gifts and gifts for the entire camp such as movies, games, and play-ground equipment. Each summer a Vacation Bible School is held, and whenever possible, a Thursday night art class is provided at the Air Chapel building for the Senior Cadets as a reward for their progress in the program.

Each cadet is presented with a cross and chain upon graduation, and a follow-up program called the Timothy Project, provides calls and letters of encouragement for the boys after they return home. The "Scars To Stars" scholarship program is provided for those cadets who return home and receive a high school diploma or GED and wish to continue in college or a vocational program.

If any church or community group would like to have a speaker explain more about how you can be a part of the Air Chapel family, please contact us at 903-786-5899 or e-mail tdyer@airchapel.org.

Volunteer Spotlight

Diane Beeson of Denison, a Southeastern Oklahoma University graduate and owner of Red River Screen Printing since 1985, has been an Air Chapel friend since 1997. Through her company she has provided screen printed bible covers, book marks, and tee shirts for the cadets housed in the Grayson County Boot Camp. Before starting her business, Diane was the Boys Club Director in Denison from 1981 to 1984. She has two sons who, in addition to their own businesses, are fishing guides on Lake Texoma.



Diane has participated in a number of national charities such as the "Wounded Warriors Fishing Trips", and she is currently involved with the Girl Scouts providing a screen printing learning program for Brownies. As involved as she was with community service activities and her business, she was the caregiver, until their deaths, for her father who was a stroke victim, and for her mother who had Alzheimer's. It is a great privilege to have partners like Diane Beeson and to recognize her in our Volunteer Spotlight.

Air Chapel Service Opportunities

As individuals and organizations learn about the Air Chapel and its ministry, they often ask how they can help. The Air Chapel is an all volunteer, non-profit organization, operating on a very minimal budget, so there are always financial needs. At the present time each cadet, upon arrival, receives a bible and several other books such as the Prayer of Jabez. At Christmas, the Air Chapel gives a pizza party for the cadets and each one is given toboggans and gloves plus other items for the camp such as movies, games, and athletic equipment. Upon graduation, the cadets receive a cross and chain, a music CD, a cap, and their choice of a football, basketball, or soccer ball.

A scholarship program called "Scars to Stars" was initiated a few years back and provides college or trade school help for the cadets if they return home and finish high school with a diploma or GED. Funds are always appreciated there.

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