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Five New Facilitators Join FIT Team

We are pleased to introduce this fine group of individuals who were trained in Bradenton on February 8. They are all from the Hillsborough and Pasco County areas of Florida. In the front and on the left is Miosity Cruz. She has already contacted our board member, Rosemary LaLuz, about working at the the Hernando Correctional Institution [state prison for women] in Brooksville. Lorelei Raffa, on the right, is a teacher and also works with HCI as a coordinator with the Kairos ministry.

All three individuals in the back row are employees of the Pasco County Sheriff's Office and work at the county jail. Chaplain Matt Klimis is on the left. Chaplain Bob Loeffler, center, works with the Pasco Court Services Division, is an adjunct professor at Trinity College, and is in a doctoral program. At right is Jessica Porter. Jessica is Programs Coordinator at the Pasco County Jail. She and the others are looking into implementing FIT into a faith-based pod at the Pasco County Detention Center.

Personal Note from Betty Drawdy of Bradenton, FL

One of the happiest and best days of my life was the day God led me to Journey Assembly in Bradenton, FL. I was first introduced to the classes taught in the Family Integrity Training Program in Sunday school. It took me no time to realize what an awesome, rewarding blessing this would bring anyone involved in spreading this powerful information to others. I started seeing changes in myself as I got involved in this outreach as a student first and ultimately as a facilitator.

I cannot begin to describe how wonderful it feels when my students benefit from the program and “get it”. You can see it on their faces and in their participation. It makes it all worthwhile to know that you have helped them, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to understand what serving God is about and to accept what He is showing them. God is truly making a difference in their lives and they have been given another chance. I recently experienced the joy of a mother sharing that the judge is giving her children back to her a month ahead of time.

My current class has two mothers in it who are getting their children back way ahead of schedule. To God be the Glory! God has blessed me with such a compassion and love for Family Integrity Training and what the many dedicated, compassionate, and loving volunteers are doing to reach out and help others. None of these women or men asks for or receives any financial help from the organization. They use their own vehicles and gas, traveling many miles a year to accomplish what God has called them to do. Being obedient to God and seeing souls won and ministered

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to through these programs is what brings them to the realization they can't give up, they must continue on until Jesus comes. Their love for Jesus and the ones he puts in their path to minister to is what brings them their happiness. All you need is a heart full of UNCONDITIONAL LOVE for others and God will do the rest. Remember what Isaiah 6:8 New Living Translation (NLT) says: 8 Then I heard the Lord asking, “Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?” I said, “Here I am. Send me.” That is my personal prayer “God use me for your Glory”, “I will go where ever you send me.”

There are 9 different classes that are offered, and even if people do not think they need any of them, they will be surprised at what they will learn about themselves. This is true even if they have taken other classes or have a good background in the subject. These classes have been approved to be taught in all of the prisons in Florida. They are also in the local jails and half-way homes or covenant homes. Thousands of lives are changed through this ministry across the United States.

We offer two different parenting classes, Personal Insight, decision making, (Free to Grow), two different anger classes, two different relationship classes, and economics. (Financial Success from Scratch). Every one of these address the things you have to deal with on a daily basis.

My life would be so empty and overwhelming sad without this blessing that God has allowed me to be a part of. I pray God will continue to bless me with the privilege of working in this Ministry. My prayer is that others

Editor's Note: Betty Drawdy has facilitated FIT classes in the Character Development program at Journey Assembly of God as well as at Harvest House rehabilitation center in Sarasota. Donations may be made by clicking on the Donate Now button on our www.100hour.org web page, calling us at 941.799.4975, or mailing us at 5017 37th St E, Bradenton, FL 34203. 90-95 % of our income comes from donations.

will see the need to get involved as a student and hopefully as a facilitator. We are always thankful for your blessings of financial support to help us continue this work till Jesus comes. Many supplies are needed for these classes and that is what Family Integrity Training provides to us with your donations. No donation is too small or too large. Betty Drawdy, February, 5th, 2014