



Hope for North Brevard, Inc

A Catalyst for Restoring Hope and Unity

Dear friends of Hope for North Brevard,

As the first quarter of the New Year comes to an end it is exciting to announce that Hope for North Brevard Inc. has officially become a registered 501(c) 3 non-profit organization! As we meet this milestone, it is good to reflect on how we started, what our mission is and what we have already accomplished.

During our years in Titusville, God has continued to grow a passion in us for this city and its people. We responded to God's call, and followed His lead in developing a kingdom vision for our community through creating *Hope for North Brevard, Inc.* in August 2009. We believe that God's instrument for transformation is the church, but maybe church in a whole new light: church from a kingdom perspective, where churches work together in unity to manifest the Gospel and thus allow Him to shine brighter in our community. HNB was birthed out of a desire to see the youth and families of Titusville be transformed by the power of the gospel. Brokenness plagues our congregations, our community and our homes. HNB is a response to these community needs and a change in strategy to affect overall gospel transformation in our city.

The mission of Hope for North Brevard, Inc. is to be a catalyst for restoring hope and unity through Christ centered service to youth and families in North Brevard. The goal of Hope for North Brevard, Inc. is to be the hands and feet of Christ in a tangible way for our community and ultimately point people to the true champion of life transformation, Jesus Christ. *Hope for North Brevard* has four main areas of emphasis in which to implement our goals: Youth Services, Counseling, Community Development and Mercy Initiatives.

In August, **Hope Counseling Center**, an arm of Hope for North Brevard, was officially opened.

People need the gospel, and they need it to be applied to their deepest wounds. This goal has been made a reality as we serve a full load of counseling clients a week at our downtown Titusville counseling center at 407 S. Washington Avenue, Suite 4B.



In late November, **Hope for North Brevard Thrift Store** opened at 2214 Garden Street in Titusville. Our goal with the thrift store is to bless the community with low cost merchandise, as well as generate income so we can offer reduced counseling fees and pursue our bigger vision of a Teen Outreach Center. We are currently meeting with churches and city officials in discussion of how we can partner to make this vision a reality.

The center will be a place where teens can get off of the streets and be given an opportunity to physically, mentally and spiritually grow. The Youth Center would offer us a facility that is open every day and set up to minister to students on a daily, consistent basis, which is what our teens desperately need: someone to walk beside them and be the hands and feet of Christ to them! We believe it is time to act!

Our desire is that we would recognize our urgent community needs and collectively use our resources and gifts to make a significant impact. We pray that HNB would be a movement of God in us to care for youth and families in a strategic way in our community. We want HNB to be a grass-roots effort supported by individuals, churches and civic organizations to better our community. Would you consider being a partner in this endeavor? We thank you in advance for considering how God can use you to help *Hope for North Brevard*.

Upcoming Events

(Check hopenb.org for more info)

Youth Pastor Network Meetings

1st & 3rd Fridays.
Sunrise Bread Company
8:30-10am

NBCHS Meetings

3rd Wed. of month 10am
Harry T. Moore Center

Sons of Thunder Camp

June 14-July 9th

Youth Center Planning Meetings

2nd & 4th Fridays 10am
@ HNB office.

Mexico Mission Trip

July 7th-17th

*"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 40:31

Project Titusville 2010



PT is a 3 day in-town mission trip which takes place every Spring Break. This year, Project Titusville took place March 28th through March 31st, all throughout the city. Students from middle school through high school had the opportunity to bless the local community of Titusville by meeting their needs and serving them. They served the elderly, widows, assisted non-profits and other charities, and cared for the community as a whole. The goal of Project Titusville is to not only to help out in the community, but for the students and volunteers to live out their faith and put it into action.

PT first started out 7 years ago. It has since grown to over 16 churches and 270 students and volunteers.

This year, a big part of Project Titusville was helping Parks & Recreation with small projects at

the parks, along with putting on "Kid's Camps" at 7 different parks and community centers around Mims, Titusville, and Port. St. John.

Other projects included Kingdom Builders, Christ Aid, N. Brevard Charities, Mission Thrift Store, P.A.L. , The Children's Center and over 15 widows and elderly individuals.

Overall, \$11,000 was raised for Project Titusville. About 200 students participated with countless leaders and volunteers helping in areas including: leadership, food, site managers, runners, and more.



Churches that participated were Bethlehem Missionary Baptist, Christ Aid, Christ Community, Crossroads Community, Crosswalk Community, First Baptist, Holy Spirit Catholic, Indian River City United Methodist, Park Avenue Baptist, Redeemer Presbyterian, Rocket Town, St. Andrew United Methodist, St. Gabriel's Episcopal, St. James AME, St. Luke's Presbyterian, and Temple Baptist.

Other churches that gave financial support were Christ Central, First Baptist of Mims, Great Outdoors, Hope Community, New Covenant Fellowship, New Venture, Victory Worship.

Project Titusville is put together by Hope for North Brevard and the North Brevard Youth Pastor Network, and is funded by the fundraisers students put on, along with the community helping with meals, construction materials, financial support, and much more.

Pictures, video, and more information on Project Titusville can be found at: www.hopenb.org/pt2010.htm



In Support of Hope and Renewal

One opportunity that crossed our path to provide hope and renewal was to a group of African American students that wanted to pursue going to college and to be able to do it financially. For many many teenagers and families, college just doesn't seem like a possibility, due to all of the perceived and real hurdles such as: cost, admission requirements, academic ability, support network, etc.

What we have found thus far in our journey is that there are opportunities out there for those that don't really have a lot of hope and support, but often they just don't know about these avenues of opportunity and they lack a supportive community around them to help them get there. HNB was blessed to be a partner in being that supportive community for a group of students that wanted to go to a college preview weekend, in hopes of being admitted and enrolled at a four year university. This occurred through the initiative of some community leaders, mainly Stacy Lincoln and one of our very own board members, Barry Forbes, along with a promising partnership with Mississippi Valley State University Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Johnny Jones, who offered some local students a chance of a lifetime, by being willing to find the grant/scholarship dollars for them to be able to attend college.



Executive Director Trey Gordon alongside 4 of the 5 students HNB assisted to attend the Mississippi Valley State University Preview Weekend.



Trey Gordon accepting donation from IRC during the Run for Your Life 5K

The students raised over \$700 through some community BBQ/fish fries and HNB was able to match those funds to help them rent a van and pay for food & travel expenses to get them to the college Preview weekend. We just received notice that 4 of the 5 students got their acceptance letters in the mail and the 5th one should be on the way. All of the students plan on attending, which is a great success story!

We believe in supporting teens in at-risk communities, as well in the power of a changed life through the opportunities offered through education. Our goal is that some of these students will go on to graduate college and come back to be a beacon of hope for others in their community, showing that there is hope and renewal and they are not alone in their current situations. Our prayer is that God would multiply this small thing into a community transformation through the power of the gospel and Christians in action.

As a side note, we decided that we would try and support these students getting to the preview weekend and into college, before we knew how we would be able to do it financially, and to no surprise of ours, IRC Methodist decided to have us be their sponsored charity for their 5K run, which brought us \$500. Additionally, our thrift store has a donation jar for mercy projects which provided another \$200, which is exactly what the students needed to get to Mississippi. We feel blessed to serve a God that knows exactly what we need before we even ask Him. Watching God in action has been one of our greatest thrills on this journey.

HNB Becomes a 501(c)(3)

After many months of paperwork, waiting, and some more waiting, HNB finally got the news they have been waiting to hear. HNB is officially a 501(c)(3), which means that we are officially a non profit! We are so thankful for this news, for having the non profit status helps us with grants and such so we can continue to give back to the community. Along with just being able to be able to apply for more grants, we now have the option of online giving! People can now donate online by using the donate button (available at hopenb.org), and it's just as simple as putting in a credit/debit card or bank account (or even easier if you already have a pay pal account.) We appreciate everything that you all have done to help support HNB, and we hope that you continue to support HNB as more amazing things are to come.



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Vision Statement

Hope for North
Brevard is a catalyst
for restoring hope
and unity through
Christ-centered
service to youth and
families in our
community.

Being a "Restorer of Streets with Dwelling"

We are beginning our journey to be the people of God that Isaiah was talking about in chapter 58:12, that are "restorers of streets with dwelling" through our vision casting of a local Teen Outreach Center. We firmly believe that we need to offer a safe haven for teens in this community where they can grow physically, mentally and spiritually and not be "tired and weary" and forgotten as many of them feel that they are. We want to reflect God's character and love to this unique group of young souls that need mentors, encouragement and support. We have started some preliminary vision casting and planning meeting for our Teen Outreach Center and what we would like to see happen in this future facility. Please pray with us and come and join us if this too is a passion of yours to see our teens become "Oaks of Righteousness" as Isaiah 61 talks about. Our planning meeting will for now be on Fridays with some evening and weekend meeting to be scheduled for those that can't meet during the work week. If you are interested please give Trey a call at (321) 863-6357.

HNB Needs You!

Hope for North Brevard, Inc. is well under way. It has been confirming to see God bless and multiply our efforts. However, Hope for North Brevard is not just one person or one church. It is unifying the churches, civic organizations & city officials under the purpose of restoring hope to our community. We are asking you to prayerfully consider partnering with HNB. You can do so by committing to pray for our organization, donating items to our thrift store, serving on a HNB ministry team and/or becoming a monthly supporter or giving a one-time financial gift. Go to hopenb.org to find out ways you can help support HNB.



Mexico 2010

Our fundraising efforts are in full swing, as we prepare to take a group of students and adults to



Oaxaca, Mexico. Foreign mission trips continue to be one of God's greatest instruments for life-transformation for teens and adults, and it is a great opportunity to be used by God in a significant way.

This year as we partner with our Mexican neighbors and Armonia ministries, we will meet a lot of Mexican teens who are seeking transformation of their own, as we assist them in the building of a community center and dormitory. Pray with us, for the funding we need, safety for our trip, and that God would prepare our hearts for His kingdom work in us and through us.

Trip date: July 7th – 17th 2010.

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