



VICTORY

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM YOUR FRIENDS AT VICTORY HOME



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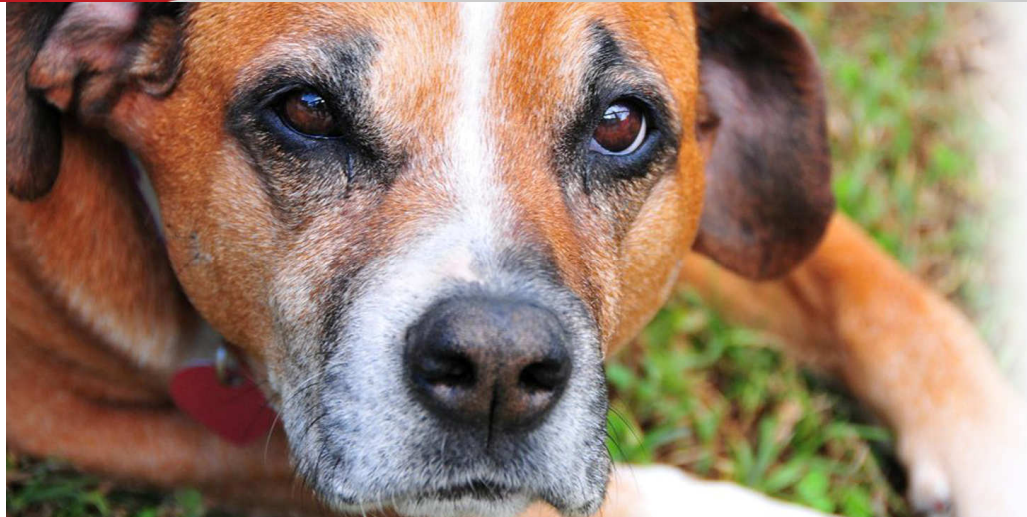
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Silent Counsel
by Tony Yang

Blood raced through the man's face illuminating the anger which welled deep inside. Furiously he scribbled his signature on his disciplinary action form and in a flurry turned around to exit the office. His thoughts were garbled amid the intense rush of adrenaline now running through his veins, so much so that he clumsily caught himself missing the last step of the cold, concrete stairway. The heavy thump of his boots could be heard on the black pavement as he stomped his way up to the thrift store.

"I was only late for breakfast! They should have just let it slide," he thought to himself. As he kept murmuring this under his breath, his footsteps got heavier and heavier as anger turned to rage. The ground even seemed to yield to his temperament, as it cracked and moaned underneath him.

The cool morning air ran through his nostrils, attempting to appease the hot nature which steamed at every breath. He was so distracted by his rhythmic cadence that he barely noticed the pitter patter that followed behind him. The red shadow that eased alongside him delicately nudged his clenched fist which woke him from his trance. As he glared down, he saw two big eyes innocently bidding him to walk with her. He bent down and opened his stressed hands to stroke her smooth, red coat of fur. Her four legs gracefully moved forward beckoning the man to follow. As the two silently walked up to the thrift store, her calm presence and counsel moved the violent giant's thoughts to a time of familiarity when he played with his dog for countless hours in childhood innocence. When they finally got to his destination, she gently brushed his legs as if to encourage him to keep moving forward. Grateful, the man bent down and hugged his furry counselor in affirmation of renewed hope.

Many of our friends, students, and family will know that not all counselors at Victory Home are humans. Gracie and Maggie have been with the ministry for many years. In fact Gracie's tenure at Victory Home is already over 10 years, which makes her the longest working counselor of Victory Home. Countless students have laid claim to both dogs, but in the end realize that their ministry is invaluable to the students at Victory Home. Their faithful presence acts almost as a physical reminder that God is there in the midst of our hardships. We thank Gracie and Maggie for their ministry and if you get the time to thank them, do so!

Memorial/Honorarium Program

- Your gifts to Victory Home not only memorialize or honor someone special to you, but also help to sustain the ministries of Victory Home.
- As soon as we receive your mailed-in gift, with the information, an acknowledgement will be sent to individual(s) you request we notify.
- For information, please contact Victory Home at 706-754-6030.
- November 16, 2010 - July 9, 2011

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Contributions to Victory Home's memorial program are listed in alphabetical order by the name of the deceased. Donors are listed after the name of the person in whose memory they contributed.

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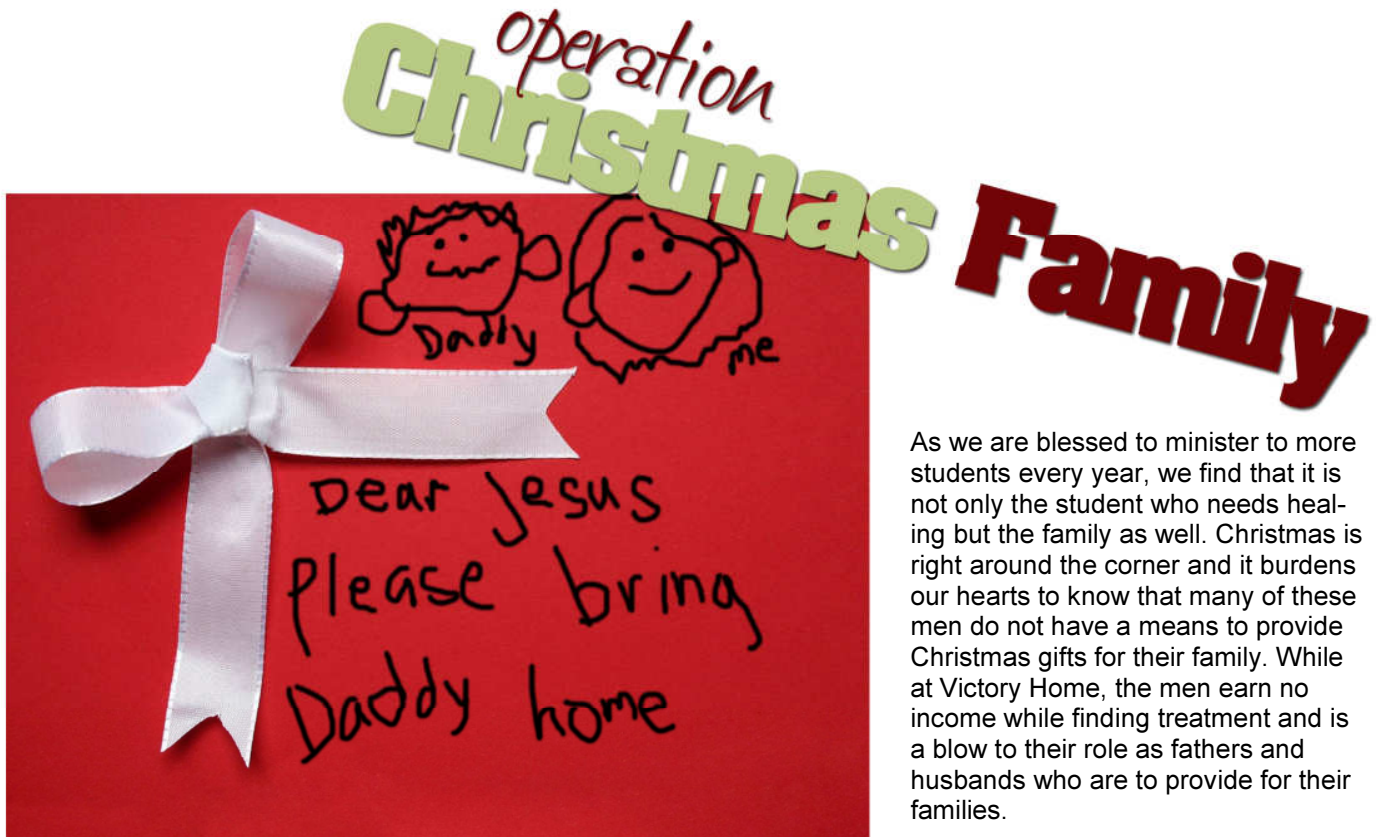
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As we are blessed to minister to more students every year, we find that it is not only the student who needs healing but the family as well. Christmas is right around the corner and it burdens our hearts to know that many of these men do not have a means to provide Christmas gifts for their family. While at Victory Home, the men earn no income while finding treatment and is a blow to their role as fathers and husbands who are to provide for their families.

We are asking you to consider financially giving to help these men buy gifts for their families. Gifts are tax deductible and will go directly to helping these students. If you are able to help, please designate your funds to "Christmas Family." Your contribution will bring smiles to families this Christmas Holiday.

*Allowing fathers to be fathers
and husbands to be husbands
through giving.*

NOTICE
Change of Venue!

LAUGH

LEARN

LOVE

Victory Home is hosting America's favorite minister of encouragement! Be ready to laugh, learn, and love as Dennis Swanberg encourages your heart.

This fundraiser will benefit Victory Home - Helping Hand Inc. and local FCA groups that are hosting the event locations.

Tickets can be purchased from the office at (706) 754-6030.

dennis
SWANBERG
america's minister of encouragement

location:

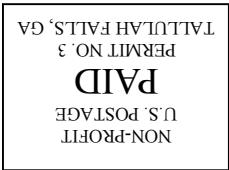
December 3 - Level Grove Baptist Church, Cornelia, GA
December 4 - Habersham Co. 9th Grade Academy

Event will start at 7:30 p.m. each night with opening band,
"Crystal River Bluegrass Gospel Band"

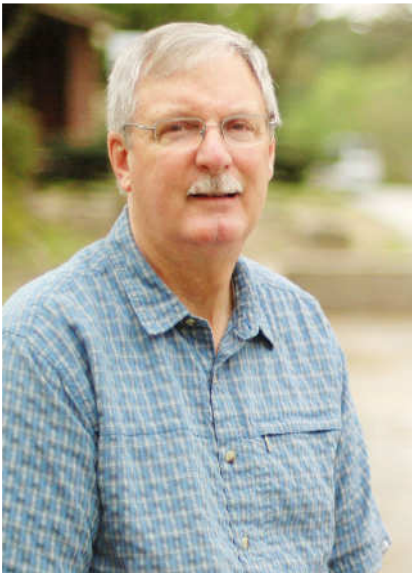
cost:

\$10.00 for general admission
\$20.00 for preferred seating





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From the Director's Desk

My goodness, another year is almost over as we enter into a season of thanksgiving for the many blessings of God, and into the celebration of God's greatest gift of all – Jesus Christ. We're blessed at Victory Home to celebrate Jesus Christ every day as we see the healing work of His Holy Spirit in the lives of our residents and their families.

Thanks to Tony Yang for a wonderful tribute to our Canine Companion Counselors – Gracie and Maggie. They are such great listeners. They don't talk back. They don't give advice. They allow us to process our issues and discover new truths about ourselves. They love us and accept us as we are, and come alongside us when we need a comforting presence.

Please consider donating to our Operation Christmas Family program. Each year we use these funds to take our residents Christmas shopping for their families. This may be the first Christmas in many years that they have been free from their addiction and capable of sharing the Holy Season with their loved ones. By your generosity, this can be a very special time for reconciliation and healing of family relationships.

Finally, don't procrastinate! Pick up the phone and make your reservations to see the Swan, America's Minister of Encouragement. Seating is limited, and will sell-out quickly.

Happy Thanksgiving, and Merry Christmas, from our home to yours! We exist and serve because of your generosity, healing broken lives and restoring family relationships through Jesus Christ.

-Richard Pletsch