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**Sisters in the Spirit Ministries Presents HOPE Award to Doug and Kim Hibbs**

**(Gloucester Point, VA)** – Sisters in the Spirit Ministries, Inc (SIS) is pleased to announce the newest recipients of the organization’s **HOPE** Award are Doug and Kim Hibbs, owners of The Courhouse Restaurant in Gloucester County, Virginia. **HOPE** is an acronym for **H**elping **O**thers with **P**urpose and **E**mpowerment. The award is presented to those working in the Gloucester and Mathews communities who, through their selfless efforts, facilitation, or direct service, are blessing others. Doug and Kim’s nomination was unanimously selected by the SIS Board of Directors. The board recognized them as “truly embodying the spirit of the HOPE Award by going above and beyond expectations to make a difference in the lives of others.

Highlights from The Hibbs’ nomination pointed out that *“*there are probably not many churches or non-profit organizations that have not received some kind of help from Doug and Kim. From the Friday night spaghetti dinners sold, with all profits being donated to the church or non-profit organization they are helping, to the free Thanksgiving dinners they host for the community each year, they are a tag team for the Lord who puts God’s promises above profits. They provide regular donations to the Helping the Homeless Ministries; the GUEST emergency shelter program; the Salvation Army, and numerous other organizations. Doug is a member of the Gloucester Men’s Ministry, and they conduct Bible studies from the restaurant.”

“They are a God-fearing couple who puts their faith first and lets the Lord lead them” noted Rev. Dr. Katrina W. Brown, president and founder of Sisters in the Spirit Ministries, Inc. “They show the light of the Lord in all they think, say, and do, and exhibit their hearts of love to everyone they encounter. SIS is so proud to present our second HOPE Award to them,” Brown said.

SIS is an outreach ministry created to empower, enlighten, and encourage Christian women in better serving the Lord. The organization created The **HOPE** Award in September 2021 as a public acknowledgement of those impacting others by “trusting in the Lord and doing good”, in accordance to God’s Word. Sisters in the Spirit Ministries’ other programs include feeding the homeless and the elderly, conducting praise and worship services for those at nursing homes, and the publication of an inspirational monthly newsletter to help Christian women in their daily walk with God.

**HOPE** Award recipients receive a cash award, a specially designed certificate of appreciation, and a recognition ceremony held in their honor. #####

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**Doug and Kim Hibbs**

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