

Newsletter



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BTS/HFM-3 "Flip House Project"

Beginning early December we have been able to significantly ramp up work on our BTS/HFM Project house, which has seemed so painfully slow for so long, for legitimate reasons. As the pics below show, we have completely replaced the floor joists, leveled and added the sub floor in the 2nd bedroom and added a huge closet. We have now poured the footer pads for our room addition and back porch as well as installed the floor joists for all of that. Bobby Blair, our amazing stucco contractor has completed all of the stucco work with the exception of the work that will be done on the new addition. We are anticipating that early January our plumbers, roofers, and A/C contractors will be in full "making it happen" mode. At the recommendation of our General Contractors (Jim & Jason Enguita) we have re-designed and are adding a 2nd full bath. This will be such a huge improvement.



Christmas Fun Night @

World Equestrian Center
Ocala, FL



As we suppose it should be, to be a real Christmas event, it was plenty cold (must have been in the 50's), enough that we were freezing, but what a special, fun evening. 22 met at Olive Garden for a pre-event dinner and then another 10 joined us at the World Equestrian Center for a spectacular Christmas Light

Extravaganza. It's always such joy to be together with the BTS family. We are reminded over and over how God has blessed us with each other.



JUST SOME THOUGHTS:

When my niece was 6 yrs old and her mother tried combing the tangles out of her hair, she would always say: "It hurts to be beautiful."

The Psalmist said the same thing (PS 119: 67 & 71)

"67I used to wander off until you disciplined me; but now I closely follow your word."

71My suffering was good for me, for it taught me to pay attention to your decrees."



*It's About the Family
Making Memories*

WANT TO GO?

How Cool!

- Seven Shows
- Two Tours
- College of the Ozarks
- The Belonging Co
- Lambert's Cafe
- A Spiritual Focus
& Family Fun Time



**Total Cost
\$1500**

Price Includes EVERYTHING

HAPPY NEW YEAR

2026

SOMEONE SAID:

"If you really want to do something, you'll find a way.
If you don't, you'll find an excuse."

SOLOMON SAID: Proverbs 21:5 (HCSB)

"The plans of the diligent certainly lead to profit..."

TRY THIS: List three things you want to accomplish
spiritually in 2026. Send those to me (Rick) and I'll commit
to joining you in prayer for them: rwcowley@btstorm.org

**24 Hours
of Prayer**

DRAWING NEAR TO PRAY

**BEYOND
THE STORM**
Restoring Hope Restoring Lives

November 14 & 15, 2025

**A FOLLOW-UP
People Prayed - God Listened!
Lives Were Changed!**

November 14 & 15 was an amazing day for the BTS family as 59 prayer warriors fell to their knees (spiritually speaking) to lift our voices to our Heavenly Father, the creator of the universe and the one who promises to hear every honest prayer and respond with answers that accomplish His perfect and eternal purposes. We are not always given insight into "how" God answers our prayers but we KNOW He does and that He did. Just imagine the impact of 59 hours of sincere humble petition to our Great God.

What IS measurable is the impact that an hour in the "Holy of Holies" with God has upon the prayer warrior themselves. Reports are still coming in from those who say "my life was changed, my prayer life was transformed" by this time with my Father. Frankly, that is among our most desired outcomes of our 24Hr's of Prayer.

If you were among the 59 who prayed, THANK YOU. (I know I'm speaking for God a here) By His grace we intend to do it twice a year and our NEXT 24HRS of Prayer will be in May '26 (tentatively May 8-9).

If you missed participating, be reminded you missed something transformational. We encourage you to consider joining us in May.

Israel Gonzalez

**VOLUNTEER
SPOTLIGHT**



**Disaster
Relief
Volunteering
in General:**

I have really
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v o l u n t e e r i n g
w i t h
S a m a r i t a n s

Purse. Life is so busy that it's hard to stop and help others during the day to day. So it's nice to be able to set aside a week to focus on helping others. As things like feeding widows has been taken over by the government, I believe it's a great idea for the church to step in and help others where available. They will know us by our Love, so we need to get out there and share it!

Disaster Relief Volunteering with BTS

I have enjoyed volunteering with BTS because you guys make it so easy to just sign up and go! BTS organizes the travel, food during travel, great bible studies to keep up tapped in with God and in the right frame of mind for getting the work done. The Bible studies we have in the evenings are also a very relaxed atmosphere where I'm very comfortable asking questions or making comments; truly a sweet fellowship. Normally in my life I'm the one that does all the planning so it's a blessing to get away from it all and let BTS take care of things!

**"The first step towards getting somewhere is to
decide you're not going to stay where you are."**

- J.P. Morgan