

AVODAH DAY IS BACK!

Freddy Branham | Executive Director of ECHO & Missions & Evangelism Under-Resourced Core Captain

After a fun, spirit-filled day of work, worship, and service (or "Avodah" in Hebrew) at Maryland Oaks Crossing in 2022, we are delighted to join the resident families and Good News Outreach staff for a return visit on Saturday, April 29, 2023 from 11AM-2PM (9am—3pm for setup and breakdown, if you're ambitious!). You are cordially invited to be a part of this special opportunity to be a blessing to others while also being blessed immensely in return!

This annual event has become so much more than just a charitable day of volunteering for a good cause. Fr. Bill and his Missions and Evangelism team have cultivated a lasting, intentional relationship with one of our local ministry partners to come alongside fellow Image-bearers living in this community. A day not only for benevolence, but to boldly share the Gospel with any of our neighbors who don't know Jesus while also leaning into potential friendships with folks who might not look like us on the surface but are equally "fearfully and wonderfully made."

On behalf of the Under-Resourced Core Ministry at St. Peter's, I encourage you to treat Avodah Day no different than Sunday morning worship or your 9-to-5 workday. We are called to serve the Lord all day, every day, in every way—no second is unaccounted for in our walk with Him. Volunteer activities will range from flower planting to deck repair; grill duty to pressure washing; arts & crafts to acoustic guitar; and a few other tasks in between. All ages and abilities are welcome! Stay tuned for more information here in the Keys or online, but go ahead and sign-up to volunteer at STPETERSFL.COM/AVODAH, and feel free to reach me directly at FBRANHAM@ECHOTLH.ORG with any questions or suggestions.

And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. Colossians 3:17



MISSIONS & EVANGELISM

UNDER-RESOURCED: GRACE MISSION

There are lots of ways you can be part of the ministry of Grace Mission!

Donate to Sponsor a Thursday Lunch at Grace St. Peter's has committed to providing lunch every Thursday for 75 people at Grace. There are several donation opportunities, and if desired, you can make your donation in honor of someone or a special occasion by indicating that in the sign up at:

STPETERSFL.COM/GRACELUNCH:

LUNCH SPONSORSHIPS

- •\$225 Sponsor | Provides 1 complete Thursday Lunch for 75 people
- •\$140 Sponsor | Provides Roasted Chicken for Thursday Lunch for 75 people
- •\$45 Sponsor | Provides Vegetables (corn, green beans, or pintos) for Thursday Lunch for 75 people

Volunteer to Serve Lunch at Grace

•Grace can use 1-2 new volunteers each Thursday from 10:15AM UNTIL 1PM.

Assist with Remodel of Staff Office Space

Last year St. Peter's managed a remodel for Grace Mission's Family Education Center. This year we will remodel the office space. If you have interior design or specialty skills, we could use your help! This includes:

- •Interior Designer to help plan project
- •Carpenter (baseboard, trim, etc.)
- •Electrician (outlet changes if needed)
- Painters

Most of the work requires only a few hours of volunteer time and will take place this summer and can be arranged around your schedule.

Please email or call Heidi King heidi@heiditking.com or 850.668.5525 for more information about these opportunities at Grace. As always, thank you so much for your love and compassion for Grace and the people we serve.

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AVODAH

[A - VA - DAH] *verb*

to live out a life of faith simultaneously through work, worship, and service

clients. The PHI Center is a Christian organization supporting mothers and families from those who are struggling with the decision to choose life for their unborn children to mothers and families with newborns and those whose youngest child is five years old. The PHI Center offers free ultrasounds from an RN, free parenting classes, free resources including diapers and baby supplies as well as free social services from licensed social workers to its clients. The PHI Center's annual fundraiser will be held Friday, April 21 at 6pm at the FSU Champion's Club. For more information on attending the banquet or information on volunteer opportunities at PHI Center, please contact Life Core Captain, Beth Medley at medley005@yahoo.com.

LIFE: BIG BEND HOSPICE | Big Bend Hospice is looking for caring people to join their volunteer team. They are holding 2 summer orientations (May and July) to give people the opportunity to learn more about the ways hospice volunteers impact the lives of patients and their loved ones. BBH volunteers make a tremendous difference in the lives others, but volunteering also tremendously impacts the lives of the volunteers themselves. For more information on volunteer training, contact Life Core Captain, Beth Medley at medley005@yahoo.com.

DISCIPLESHIP & PARISH LIFE



THE SOMETIMES, MOSTLY SECOND SUNDAY MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL PARTY IS TODAY!

Sunday, 16 April | 6:30pm | Calling all middle and high schoolers! This month we are meeting on the 3rd Sunday, since the 2nd Sunday was Easter. Come out for an epic ice cream social to celebrate the Easter season! We will also be doing an art project led by Vanessa Zein-Eldin. Dinner, snacks, and games provided! 6:30-8pm.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TO HOST AUTHOR

CHRISTINA RAY STANTON | Friday, 5 May | 6pm Join us for a reception at 6pm and an inspiring message of courage and faith at 6:30pm.

Stanton is a Tallahassee native who has lived in New York City for the past 30 years, with a successful career in musical theater before turning her full attention to becoming a professional, licensed NYC tour guide. In 2017 she founded a nonprofit called Loving All Nations, which helps the world's poor and vulnerable. She and her husband, Brian, have been married for 22 years.

She wrote <u>Out of the Shadow of 9-11: An Inspiring Tale of Escape and Transformation</u>, which debuted to popular acclaim in June 2019. The book won the prestigious Benjamin and Ippy awards. Christina speaks about 9-11 with audiences all over the world. She also wrote <u>Faith in the Face of COVID-19</u>: A Survivor's Tale.

CHARLES SIMEON INSTITUTE | LAY SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY EASTERTIDE SESSION

Wednesdays, 19 April–10 May | 6:15-8pm | It's not too late to register for the Lay School of Theology's Eastertide Semester, but time IS running out! The semester consists of 4 Wednesday evening sessions on April 19, 26, May 3, and May 10. Two courses will be offered:

•The Resurrection: The Origin and Goal of the Christian Life

(led by Fr. Michael Petty)

•The Life and History of the Church (led by Jennifer Webster)

For more information, go to <u>StPetersFL.com/register</u> and scroll down. If you have questions or need childcare, contact Jennifer Webster, Dean of the LSOT, at <u>JWebster@StPetersFL.com</u>

VISITING THE CATHEDRAL?

Welcome—we're so glad you're worshiping with us today! Our nursery is available during Sunday morning services for children newborn through Kindergarten. We hope you'll join us on the lawn for coffee & other refreshments between morning services! Whether today is your first time or you've been coming for awhile, we are so glad you're here!

CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST & CARE MINISTRIES



If you have any pastoral needs or know of someone who needs pastoral care and prayer, please contact Care Ministries Coordinator, Alice Sanderson at <u>ASanderson@StPetersFL.com</u>

Please call the Cathedral Office at 850.701.0664 or email ASanderson@StPetersFL.com to be added to the Cathedral Prayer List. You can also submit a prayer request or Care Ministry Need at StPetersFL.com/Prayer

Military: Lucas Bell, Jose Betancourt, Lt Col. David Chichetti, SSG Corey Daws, Lt. Col. Daniel Dean, Capt. James Dilworth, Capt. John Easterbrook Jr, Airman Drew Edwards, Sgt. Michael Gaskins, PFC John P. Warren SSgt Corey Owen, Capt. Griffin Jax, Capt. Savannah B. Jax, 1st Lt. Parker Jax, Capt. Chandler B. Jax, 1st Lt. Carson Jax, 1st Lt. Rebecca Jax, Gabriel Melendez, Col. Burt Newman, Major Gen. John Richardson, Capt. Oliver Rushing, Spc. Andrew Sanderson, Lt. Cmdr. Chris Smith, SFC Dewey Spence, SN Benjamin Waddill Lt. Patrick Swain, Capt. Parry Thomas, Lt. Cmdr. Blake Van Brunt Jr, MM3 Tommy Van Landingham, PFC Sam Henri

Parishioners, Relatives, and Friends: Mary Meloni, Nick Harrold, Teddy Stone, Maryanne Nemis, Elaine, Quinn Toulon, Vicki Spitzer, Mary Alma Lang, Katherine Hilary Pontin, Barbara Boone

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CATHEDRAL CONCERT | RECITAL | Saturday, 22 April | 7pm

St Peter's Cathedral choir member, amazing tenor, DaSean Stokes will be in recital! DaSean will also be raising funds to get to Berlin where he will sing in the opera!

CATHEDRAL CONCERT | DUET PIANO RECITAL | Saturday, 27 May | 7pm | Please note change of date Pianist, Glenn Priest (Beethoven and Friends) returns to present a duet recital with St. Peter's own Chris Garven.

