

# THE SEAFARER'S HOPE *is JESUS*

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The Anchor House mission is to meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of international seafarers.



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## 20 Years of Ministry

### Celebrating by the Sea

Seafood Jamboree ♦ Semi-Casual Dress

March 21, 2013 at 6 p.m.

Port Manatee

RSVP by March 10 by mailing a payment or  
call/email Anchor House

Cost: \$35/guest

Half-table sponsor: \$150 (4 seats)

Full table sponsor: \$300 (8 seats)

The Anchor House banquet will be held inside Port Manatee. Guests will enter through the North Gate. Directions will follow at that point. Port Manatee is located about 8 miles north of Palmetto on Hwy 41.

## Huge Thanks

First Baptist Church of Palmetto donated \$10,400 toward the Anchor House roof replacement! Thank you so much for the generous gift. May God continue to bless your church and its mission in Christ.



We had the opportunity to pray for a trucker who stopped at Anchor House for a quick burger, New Testament and drink.

### Banquet Notes

Note: Ron Baker, former pastor of Bradenton Christian Reformed Church and First Anchor House board chairperson will be the guest speaker at the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet.

Note: Exceptional items are donated for the Silent Auction. Outdoor furniture, original art, dinner tickets, pool cue and cases, theater tickets and more.

Note: Dress semi-casual, seafood jamboree. Plan to enjoy.

# 36-Hour Giving Challenge Unleash your inner generosity

March 5 at 7 a.m. - March 6 at 7 p.m.

**Don't Miss This!** We have two opportunities to receive grant funds ranging from \$20,000 to \$1,000 just by your response. This is a benefit to non-profit missions like Anchor House. **Please check out what needs to happen.**

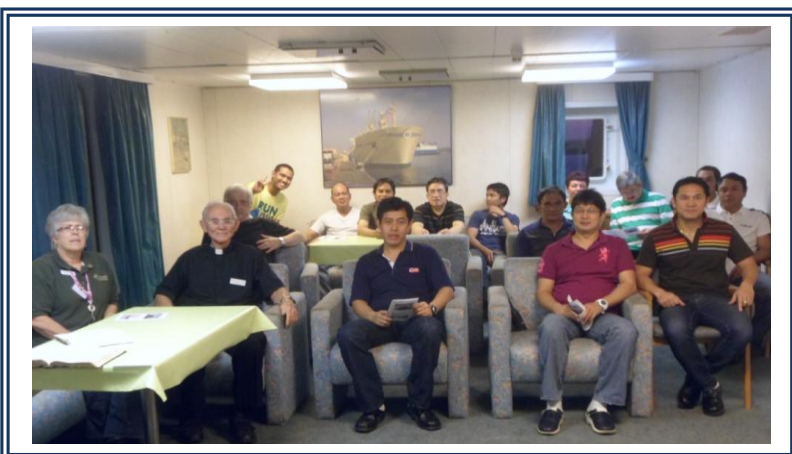
1. We need the highest number of donors who visit the Anchor House profile at [www.thegivingpartner.org](http://www.thegivingpartner.org). Make a donation of any amount. This challenge is about the number of donors who give. One person only per credit card.
2. The second challenge is to have the most people view the Anchor House profile at [thegivingpartner.org](http://thegivingpartner.org)
3. Through a Google search, look for [www.thegivingpartner.org/](http://www.thegivingpartner.org/) you will enter the Giving Partner 36-Hour Challenge. Enter Anchor House in the search window. Click on *visit website*. Then click on *Donate Now*. Complete the donation form for any amount. This competition is about the number of donors and number of visitors to our profile. So while you are there, look over the "lime-green" tabs on the left side. Thanks for taking the challenge.

Isn't the goodness of God remarkable?

While preparing this newsletter, I noticed the many prayer requests we have listed, you have prayed about, and God has answered. From God's willingness to use his Word to change lives, to his financial provision for this mission, He is faithful. Last winter we requested prayer for a new air conditioner. This year, it is answered prayer. Last year you prayed for God's word to move here at Anchor House. Since then, not only seafarers but port employees have chosen to hear God's word regularly at a prayer breakfast/study before work. We have requested prayer for seafarers to be willing to be the "Church on the Ocean." Literally, a Christian influence in their workplace and living space while at sea. Photo on the right: another group of graduates from this program!



Seafarers who have committed to study God's word and share it on the oceans of the world. Manila, Philippines.



Volunteer chaplain, Jerry Van Oyen accompanied Chaplain Trish Alligood on the M/V Southern Juice ship for a worship service this month. The crew of Filipino, Polish and Ukrainian seafarers enjoyed the fellowship and time to worship the Lord.



## 2012 Statistics

Countries Served	34	Seafarers Transported	1164
Bibles Given	480	Seafarers in the Centers	2919
Jesus DVD	286	Meals Served	5117