

# 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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SET YOUR MIND  
ON THESE THINGS:

*love, joy, peace,  
patience,  
kindness,  
gentleness, and  
forgiveness.*

## Growing God's Kingdom

My home phone rang last night. I didn't recognize the number. It was Edward, the Filipino seafarer I wrote about last month. Since leaving Port Manatee, two weeks ago, he reported his safe arrival home and his family's joy with his new found faith in Jesus Christ.

Thanks to your prayers, it was my honor to be able to baptize Edward in the bay near the port before he left. He had a very tight schedule, but he was able to get off his ship briefly for the event. As he came out of the water, his tears of joy mingled with the bay water as it ran down his face. This was a powerful moment for our dear friend and brother.

Please continue to pray for Edward while he is with his family and as he returns to the sea in two months.

Chaplain Tim



Edward Araos, Able-bodied Seaman

Our dear friend and mentor, Roald Kverndal, went to be with the Lord on March 1, 2015. Historian, author, advocate and seafarer himself, Roald is recognized globally for his work among the seafaring community.

*In Memory*



## Participation makes banquet successful

Against the backdrop of a large cargo vessel, Anchor House hosted its annual fundraising event at Port Manatee. March 20, Dr. Jason Zuidema, Executive Director of the North American Maritime Ministry Association addressed the nearly 200 guests regarding the perplexity of the seafarers' role in the shipping industry. Our understanding expanded with each new story.

Thank you to all of our participants who contributed to the successful banquet. We appreciate all of our event sponsors, table sponsors, guests and silent auction donors and bidders. In addition, we want to thank our volunteers for all the set-up and take-down efforts.

Because of your partnership and prayers Anchor House raised \$20,200.

# BANQUET HIGHLIGHTS



## Prayer Requests

**Pray** for God to use our Tuesday noon devotional time among port workers.

**Pray** for Edward to grow in his new faith.

**Pray** for additional volunteers during the summer months.

**Praise God** for the improved health of Sam, one of our faithful "snowbird" drivers.

**Continued Prayer** for the passing of a bill in Congress for seafarers to have access to and from the ship.

**Prayer** for the lives of our port employees, dock workers and volunteers who all have needs in their individual lives.



Thank you for coming



Top: volunteers & guests.  
Directly above: missionary  
Chuck Dewing, Right: volunteer  
Helen Evanson. Below: silent  
auction.

## 2015 STATS Jan - Mar.

Ships in Port	93
Countries Served	12
Seafarers in the center	883
Seafarers Transported	470
Bibles and DVD's	115

