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## The Beatty Beat

BRAD BEATTY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

At Heart for Winter Haven, we link poverty to relational brokenness. We believe that definition helps us to understand that the solution to all poverty is found in the healing relationship with our Maker, His people, and his creation. This exposes ALL of us, because we all suffer from brokenness and, by default, "poverty". Also, it requires that we need to intentionally spend time developing relationships that bring health to others. This summer, we were blessed to have a graduate intern from Florida State, and four undergrad interns from Covenant College. Here is what they said they learned this summer:

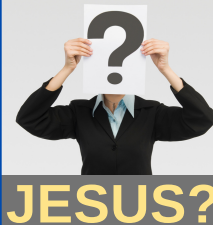
"Brokenness is unique to every person." Therefore, "Poverty is complex" because WE are complex. Acknowledging this is key to working to alleviate poverty. It means we must always "listen and love people well" if we want to undo the unhealthy things that were done to our/their hearts. Finally, we must realize that "people have to care about themselves to start taking care of themselves." Simply, in helping others, we must first convince their hearts that their lives have value.

If your heart yearns for this kind of healing life-on-life work, come join us. ♥

## THE HEART PLACE

- at Heart for Winter Haven -

At The Heart Place we practice being family. We share a quick meal, talk around the table and care about one another. We make room for struggle, but leave no room for judgement. Life can get hard, can get lonely and uncertainty is everywhere. The Heart Place has a seat at the table for you every Monday night (6 - 7:30pm). For more information, contact Jim Adkins at 863.258.5592 (mobile) or jim@heart4wh.org.



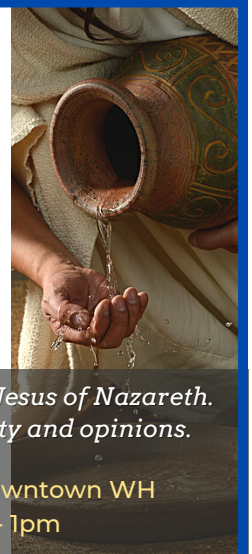
## JESUS?

He is said to have been the most loving person who ever lived. Who was he, really? And what can he teach us about love? At **POJ** (the **Person of Jesus Study**), we will study how Jesus related to people.

You'll watch him crash a funeral, ruin a dinner party, and honor a woman with a bad reputation... all for the sake of love.

*We invite you to join us in a conversation about Jesus of Nazareth. Light lunch provided - just bring your curiosity and opinions.*

Heart for Winter Haven - 400 3rd St SW, Downtown WH  
2nd & 4th Wednesdays from Noon - 1pm





# Intern Spotlight

JIM ADKINS, PROGRAM COORDINATOR

**COVENANT COLLEGE INTERNS- COBY VOYLES, EVAN ELLIOTT, MARY STREETS & JOSH HARVEY**

The four of you have left a lasting impression on me. I'm not sure what it says about me that I was surprised by your level of maturity- there certainly was plenty of it at multiple levels.

Evan- intelligent, respectful with a healthy skeptic flair, non-confrontational yet ready to debate issues. Josh- clever, witty, insightful, a man with a kind heart, all the character one needs to be a great Dad or Businessman. Coby- intuitive, funny, charming, God has a special work for you (maybe a counselor at Heart Camp). I can't even think of enough good stuff to say about you guys.

Mary- most intelligent, most humorous, most delightful, most kind. You touched the lives of those who needed it most at The Heart Place.

It really is hard to say all the things we feel about our time with you all. Thank you for helping an old dude with his questions about the generations to come- meeting you, I am at peace that whatever community is graced with your residence, they will get more than they could ever ask for or expect. ♥



## Faith & Finances- Coming This Spring

A new ministry is coming to Heart for Winter Haven in the Spring of 2022! **Faith & Finances** provides faith-centered financial education for people in low-income situations. This training equips participants to address obstacles that keep them trapped in poverty: predatory lending, poor credit, low financial literacy and broken relationships. Jesus is renewing all things on heaven and earth, both now and to come. We are invited to experience this transformation in all our relationships—including our relationship with money! Stay tuned for more information. ♥



## Welcome Ashley!

Please join us in welcoming our new Director of Operations, **Ashley Black**! Ashley, along with her husband Bryant, pulled up stakes after 26 years in Chattanooga, TN to embark on a new season in Winter Haven. Their 20-something sons are exploring far and wide: Taylor is in California training for a PhD in History, John Porter is working and backpacking from a home base in Salt Lake City, and Michael is a junior at UT Knoxville studying Neuroscience and French. Ashley's passion is to assist people in finding their God-given strengths, and then live them out in work and ministry for the Kingdom. ♥





# 2021 Back to School Bash

BEE GALLISON, DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS

We ALL know the craziness this season brings- it's time to prepare the young people in our community for school! Many families, especially those with multiple children, may find it hard to provide all the items needed. Heart for Winter Haven exists to build community between all sectors of our city (individuals, businesses, organizations, and churches) to alleviate all forms of poverty... and this summer gave us an opportunity to do just that! Along with Winter Haven First Church of the Nazarene and The Table Fellowship, we collaborated for this summer's **Back to School Bash**, serving local families in need. With the help of community partners like Brooks Law Group, Thrivent Financial, and Restoration Dedication Life Center, we were able to supply 100 kids with their back-to-school needs. Donated items such as backpacks, pencils, crayons, markers, highlighters, glue, and other school essentials were available to the families that attended the event, along with resources that would help with a successful upcoming school year. A photo booth, games, food, and an inside inflatable obstacle course added to the festivities! Prior to the event, a team from The Table Fellowship went out into the community to knock on doors, while our summer interns visited local schools and the motels along US-17, presenting flyers and spreading the news about this exciting event. The response to those invitations certainly did not disappoint! It is our prayer that each of these students have a safe, fun, and successful school year ahead. ♥

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# WAYS TO HELP

- **PRAY!**
- **GIVE:** To make a **donation**, please visit us online at [heart4wh.org/donate](http://heart4wh.org/donate).
- **SERVE:** Want to volunteer? You can visit [heart4wh.org](http://heart4wh.org) today and check out the SERVE tab! Also, if you have experience working with insulation and would like to help at the Scholarship House, please call/text Jim at 863.258.5592.
- **SPONSOR:** Table sponsorships now available for the AS ONE! Vision Banquet on Nov. 11th. For information, please email [events@heart4wh.org](mailto:events@heart4wh.org) or visit [heart4wh.org/banquet](http://heart4wh.org/banquet).
- **HOUSING PARTNERSHIP:** We are looking for available land for 3 donated houses (3 lots) to expand this program. If you can help, please email [brad@heart4wh.org](mailto:brad@heart4wh.org).



# AS ONE!

VISION BANQUET



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**Table Sponsorships now available!** ➔

**SAVE THE DATE**

**11.11.2021**

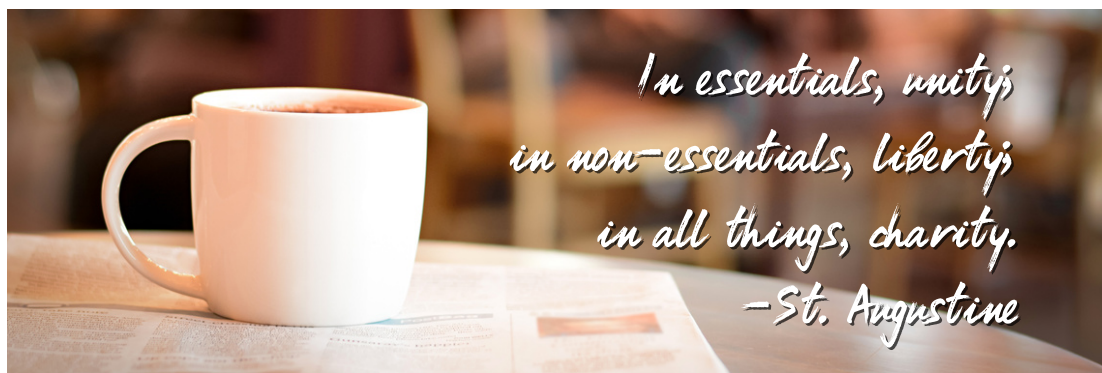
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**Breaking News: Scholarship House**

*We are now accepting applications for the fall!*

Applicants must currently be enrolled in a college or vocational school. *Please note: This home is for male students 18+ years old only.*

Email [bee@heart4wh.org](mailto:bee@heart4wh.org) for more information and to apply.

## Upcoming Events

Every Monday	The Heart Place (6-7:30pm) at Heart for Winter Haven
2nd/4th Weds	The Person of Jesus Study (12-1pm) at H4WH
Sept 14	JfL at Grace Lutheran Church begins
Oct 6	Faith & Finances "Soft Launch" Class Graduation at H4WH
Nov 11	H4WH 4th Annual Vision Banquet at Heartland Church
Early Dec	Elbert Christmas Shop at Redeemer City Church (exact date TBD)
Apr 4	H4WH 7th Annual Golf Tournament at Country Club of Winter Haven