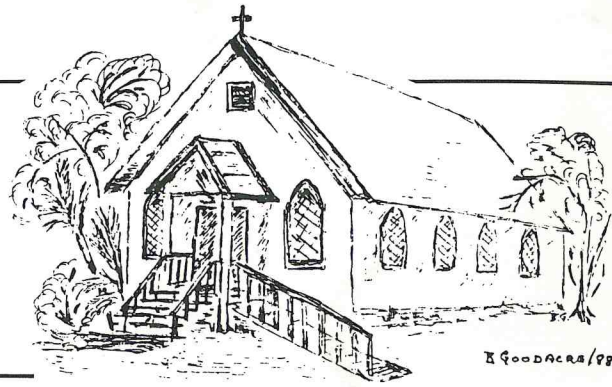


St. Thomas' Chapel Needs List:

The following is a basic needs list for the Chapel of St. Thomas at DaySpring. All donations are to be made to DaySpring. If you have an item you would like to donate please contact the Center at 776-1018.

- New White Stole and Chasuble (All should be very plain.)
- New Green Stole and Chasuble (All should be very plain.)
- Ceramic Altar Vessels: Two Chalice's, Paten, Lavabo, Ciborium
- Raw Linen Altar Set



Diocesan Wide Events — DaySpring Conference Center

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| October 31 or
November 1, | ECW Event - "Inspirations '89" |
| November 3-5 | CASA - Twelve Step Retreat |
| November 10-12 | Youth Committee - Middle School Retreat |
| November 24-26 | Happening #28, Christi Helms, Rector |
| December 30-
January 1 | Youth Committee - Winter Event |
| January 5-7 | Youth Committee - "New Beginnings" |
| January 13 | Continuing Education - Leadership Conference for Laity and Clergy - Rabbi Edwin Friedman |
| February 7-9 | Spiritual Growth Committee - Silent Retreat
Father Tilden Edwards |
| February 15-16 | Stewardship Committee - Workshop with Rev. Pat Sanders |
| February 23-25 | Clergy Spouse Retreat |

Further information is available by calling DaySpring at 776-1018.

Thank You!

The following is a list of cash and gift donations received by DaySpring in the past '89 year. We apologize for any names and/or churches that have been omitted. These gifts allow the Center to continue the present and future ministry of DaySpring. Many thanks and blessings to you.

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| • St. Peter's Cathedral | • Calvary |
| • St. Peter's Cathedral - ECW | • Clergy Spouse Association |
| • St. David's - ECW | • Bishop Allin |
| • St. John's - Naples ECW | • Austin Winters |
| • St. Mary's - Bonita Springs Men's Club | • Church of the Redeemer |
| • Church of the Annunciation - ECW | • Frank and Lois Christie |

Cursillo Corner

Dayspring's new role in Cursillo is exciting. The chance to prepare the food makes the conference center and staff really feel a part of the Cursillo Community.

We really enjoyed hosting the last two Cursillo's and especially look forward to upcoming Cursillos in our new facility.

DaySpring treasures the opportunity to be a part of Cursillo's renewal ministry within the Diocese.



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Episcopal Diocese of Southwest Florida



Bishop Haynes Lodge

Tastefully nestled in among existing water oaks and palms, Bishop Haynes Lodge blends in with and beautifully enhances both the natural surroundings and the present facility. The new lodge features six buildings connected to each other and the existing dining room, Curry Hall, by attractive decking.

The lounge, serving as the reception area, contains a fireplace and coffee bar, making a perfect setting for both small and large group activities.

The meeting rooms and dormitory sleeping facilities are a much needed addition due to the growth of DaySpring. With the new lodge complex, DaySpring will be able to serve the groups who use the conference center with greater ease and flexibility. Currently the construction is in the final stages of completion and the furnishing and decorating have begun. Rosemary Hempel, owner of Revisions Design Consultants and member of St. Peter's Cathedral, is volunteering her time and talent in assisting Jim and Jamie Cox for the perfect interiors.

DaySpring Message



In a recent visit with Bishop Harris I discussed with him his thoughts and visions about the Center. The meeting served as a time for learning, sharing and an opportunity for us to get to know one another.

Housekeeping rules were established early in the game. Due to Bishop Harris' hectic schedule (we met at 8:15 and he was scheduled to attend two more meetings and this was a Saturday morning!). I promised to limit my interview to fifteen minutes and only ask a couple of questions. I also assured the Bishop that I realized this interview came at a very early stage of his office, so I did not expect him to discuss specific details about DaySpring's growth, development and programming.

The Bishop related that this was the first DaySpring Board meeting since he took office and he was not familiar with the operations of programming for the Center.

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SUMMER CAMP '89

DaySpring Camp was a tremendous success once again. A special thanks to Flossie Adams and Ellen McDaniel for their programming, direction, and endurance for the five week sessions.

There was a large number of returning staff (13) who were experienced, enthusiastic, very committed to our Lord, and used to working as a team. The staff and counselors oversaw a total of 343 campers.

The theme "Jesus, The Bread of Life" served as a basis for a week of spiritual growth, fellowship, and community building. The campers also participated in the planned events of crafts, canoeing, archery, team sports, swimming, and the ropes course. Building, a new event, was added for the first time this year. Junior and Senior campers built benches and a towel tree by the swimming hole and canoe racks by the river. These additions remind us daily of summer camp and can be used and enjoyed by all who come to DaySpring.

DaySpring looks forward with great anticipation for Summer Camp 1990. The sessions will begin on July 8 and conclude August 10, 1990. With the completion of Bishop Haynes Lodge the camp will be able to accommodate more campers than in the past.

So mark your calendars and look forward to additional information early next year.



Sharing...

by Jamie Cox

Sharing is a column that will be featured regularly. I will be sharing with you a variety of things about DaySpring, stories that I feel are enjoyable. This first Sharing Column is about Jim and Jamie Cox.

Married for five years last April, Jimmy and I met when he remodeled a bank where I was working as a teller. We dated for three years and "Tied the knot" in a grand ceremony at St. James United Methodist Church in St. Petersburg, Florida.

We bought an old house with aspirations of years of renovations. But, like the cobbler's son having no shoes — the contractor's house got very little attention and by the way, I never balanced the checkbook.

I continued in my banking career with the hope of successfully climbing the corporate ladder. Also, during this time, Jimmy and I were actively seeking a church family. Jimmy, while still in the construction business, was looking at a prospective job in North St. Petersburg. The job was right across the street from Holy Cross Episcopal Church. For the record, Jimmy never got the job, but we did get our church family. I started confirmation classes and in December, 1986, I was confirmed by Bishop Haynes. Not too far down the road, Jimmy became a member of the DaySpring Board.

Under the guidance of Bishop Haynes, Jimmy continued to become involved with the Diocese and DaySpring. I attempted to try and comprehend the Episcopal Church. Understand, I was baptized and raised a Methodist and this was a new ballgame for me. A winning ballgame, but I still had a few innings to go.

By this time, I was the manager of a branch bank in Clearwater. Under the direction of Father Harry Williams, rector of St. Anne of Grace, Jimmy started the process of the Deaconate Program. He was accepted as

a postulant. Together we proceeded anxiously to do our work within the church.

After nine years of banking, I was laid-off and decided to take a couple of months off. I was going to do all the things around the house that I had been putting off, and off, and off.

Early in 1989, Jimmy was informed of Mike and Margaret Rivera's retirement from DaySpring. When he came home from the Board meeting after the announcement we sat down and prayed. It was one of those general prayers — lengthy, but exactly what the prayer delivered — well? We continued to pray only this time with direction. Jimmy had a strong, loyal commitment to DaySpring. The chance to be considered for director would be a dream come true. After much prayerful consideration we made the decision to submit our resumes to the Board.

We came to DaySpring in June, under the guidance of Mike and Margaret. Sort of a "learning the ropes" time. More special than the learning was the friendship that grew between us. Getting to know Mike and Margaret personally made us truly understand why DaySpring is what it is today and will be forever. Thank you both. First, for the friendship and secondly, for what you have given to DaySpring.

We have now been here four months and words cannot express how we feel. Oh, yes, they can: hurray, love it, happy, wonderful staff, wonderful camp, wonderful life, etc. etc. etc. Also we do work, we minister to the Center and serve all the groups that enter into the camp. It's challenging, rewarding, but best of all it's serving our Diocese and our Lord.

Our home is the Hall House, located at the Center down by the river. We happily share it with some close family pets and other wild life that live in the very near vicinity.

Our prayers for DaySpring are answered daily. Summer camp was a great success. The new construction, Bishop Haynes Lodge, is near completion and our schedule for the rest of 1989 and 1990 is exciting.

Can you help?

As you read on page one, DaySpring has a new facility. The lodge due to open January 1990 will fill a need within DaySpring that has been long in coming. In order to meet this need we need to fill the lodge.

Bishop Haynes Lodge, accommodating sleeping for ninety-six (96) and meeting space for one hundred and fifty (150), needs help in its furnishings.

On behalf of the DaySpring Board any amount of donation will be appreciated and accepted gratefully. It is with your continued support and prayer that DaySpring can continue in its ministry to the SW Diocese.

Send donations to: DaySpring Episcopal Conference Center, P. O. Box 661, Ellenton, Florida 34222. If you have any questions or concerns please call 776-1018. The following is a small list of items to be purchased:

- Furniture for lounge and meeting rooms, by Cargo Inc., Bradenton, FL, estimated cost \$5,000.00.
- Mattresses for the lodge and cabins, by World Wide Bedding Inc., Largo, FL, estimated cost \$10,000.00
- Mattress pads, blankets, and pillows
- Shower curtains and liners
- Accessories for lounge, meeting rooms, and decking; i.e. plants, bookends, VCR's, televisions, tables, chairs, coffee pots, ice machine etc.

DaySpring Message continued...

However, to move in the direction of a program committee would seem logical, understanding that the Center will accommodate 150 people when the lodge is completed. That makes DaySpring certainly large enough to do some very good programming. The Bishop sees himself playing the role as the idea person. For example, he has been told by clergy in several different parishes that he has been in, that they have a large number of lapse members.

Many of these are people who are not active in the parish or mission, but have not joined another church. They're just staying at home. Bishop Harris believes it takes a very special training to minister to these individuals. Training for both the lay visitors and clergy to reach out. If this is a need in the Diocese, he would like to see DaySpring and a program committee fulfill it.

In discussing with Bishop Harris the new building and the physical facilities at DaySpring, he felt the next step could be towards recreation. His suggestion for both young people and adults, would be a swimming pool and personally feels tennis courts would be great.

We at DaySpring look forward to many fruitful years under the leadership of Bishop Harris.