

The year 2023 marks Anchor House's 30th anniversary. We have been blessed by God's sovereign hand for all these years, and we trust He will continue to bless us in the years to come. Some "exciting events" for 2023 include our Clean Comedy Night on February 11 at Westside Christian Church, the Annual Banquet on April 1 at the Bradenton Country Club, our golf outing in October, and a fishing tournament (TBD). You can purchase tickets (\$20) for the Clean Comedy Night online at

www.westsidechristianchurch.com/tickets.

SILENT AUCTION 5:00PM

APRIL 1, 2023 GO TO:

DINNER 6:00PM

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SEAFARER SPOTLIGHT

Omparkash is from Punjab, India, and serves as Strategic Endeavor ship's 3rd Officer. His duties involve keeping bridge watch for 8 hours daily and assisting the Master in vessel port documentation. He has been a seafarer since 2018 and has completed almost five years in the field. He has been on the Strategic Endeavor ship for 2.5 months. In addition to his work, he enjoys writing/reading Punjabi poetry, listening to classic Sufi music, and driving. Omparkash says, "Anchor house made our Christmas more special by sending us gifts onboard (ditty bags), providing transportation to town and internet. (Your) facilities made our port stay more interesting. We were able to buy loads of stuff, especially electronics. All thanks to Anchor House Team." He asks that we pray for him to "clear ALL (his) promotion exams soon and be the master of my fate, Soul and Ship. Good health to every one of us. It's really been nice to see you all. I hope we meet again next time with broad smiles and happy faces. Thank you so much."



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

I love my job! I am grateful to be a part of Anchor House's team. Working with Trish Alligood and Jovanny Maltes as my colleagues has been a privilege, and I thank God for this opportunity. I am also thankful for the amazing volunteers who put so much time and effort into our organization.

Anchor House trys to faithfully follow Jesus' commandment in Matthew 28:19 to "Go and make disciples of all nations." It has been a blessing to serve Jesus Christ by ministering and sharing the good news with hundreds of seafarers from around the world. Not only did we have the privilege to pray, worship, hand out Bibles and transport them for supplies, but we also shared Jesus' love with them.

I am so thankful that I could share the word of God with Omparkash. His kind gratitude touched my heart, when he told me he would read the Bible in Hindi that I gave him. I'm so grateful for the opportunity to have brought a guitar to a crew that could not leave their ship and it was humbling to witness their joy. I thank God for making this experience possible and pray that His glorv was revealed at this moment. I was truly blessed to witness a "short concert" from one of the seafarers (a Christian who plays in his church's worship band) on this ship from Myanmar. He sang and played the song "You Raise Me Up" on his new guitar (check out our Facebook post). I felt so blessed to be a part of God's loving hand at work when I introduced Dhave, a Sea-Farer, to my friend Sam in the Philippines. Sam invited Dhave up to the mountains for a few days of rest and relaxation at his Dirty Feet Farms in Bucari, Philippines, and I'm looking forward to seeing the photos! I am truly thankful for you all as we continue to strive to fulfill the Great Commission of Jesus together.

ANCHOR HOUSE RENOVATIONS

Anchor House is excited to announce the upcoming remodel of its center at SeaPort Manatee in early 2023. The remodel will bring many exciting changes to the Anchor House facility. The project aims to create a space that reflects our commitment to serving the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of our international seafarers and SeaPort Community. We want to create an inviting atmosphere by giving them a more updated and accessible space for worship, relaxation, and community.

The remodel will involve adding a chapel, a unisex handicapped accessible restroom, and relocating our storage room. We will also be removing the outdated furniture, the existing carpeting and replacing it with wood floors, renovating the kitchen, and sprucing up the center with fresh paint and decorations. We have applied for grants to offset most of the costs, but we need to raise an additional \$26,000-\$30,000 to complete our remodeling project. We believe that God will provide, and we are confident that we will be able to raise the necessary funds in due time, so we are looking for donations from individuals and businesses, like you, who wish to support us in our project (Envelopes enclosed).

