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BIG SERVICE BREAKFAST

GENERAL SERVICE DISTRICT 10

& MIAMI-DADE INTERGROUP

September 14th, 2019* Tickets \$10.00



GREAT SERVICE SPEAKERS!





Tickets on sale NOW!

Location:

First Presbyterian Church 609 Brickell Ave. – Miami, FL 33131

For Service opportunities: Call the Intergroup Office 305.461.2425 *Please support, contribute and help make this event a success!*

Thank God, The Nightmare is Over

My Life Has Meaning at Last

It was 9am and I was just waking up with a terrible hangover and, for some reason, my brain was telling me that I was going to die prematurely if I didn't do something about my drinking, BUT WHAT was I supposed to do, that was the question. I was leading a meaningless life/existence and the only thing that meant anything to me was the ability to promote enough money to support my drinking habit. I was running out of options, and of friends that wanted to help me. I was desperately rummaging around my apartment to find something to drink, and for the first time, that I could remember, I couldn't find a drop of alcohol in the place.

An hour later I was sitting in the grass on the front lawn of a small yellow house where they held A.A. meetings. Three sober members of A.A. greeted me with compassion and understanding and two minutes later, I laid back in the grass, covered my eyes with my forearm, and said to myself, "Thank God, the nightmare is over;" and it was. That was on Oct. 15, 1969 and I haven't had, nor wanted, a drink since that very moment. What happened to me that day? I have been an avid member of the program from that day until now, I have always strived to understand what took place at that exact moment, and as best I can describe it, I had a profound change of perception. Some will call it spiritual awakening but that's where, I believe, we have our most difficult challenge when we try to clarify the word spiritual. I find two definitions that show the different ways we are conditioned to understand spirituality. 1.) Of, or relating to, or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things. And 2) of, or relating to religion or religious belief. Neither definition refers to anything of a material nature. I've resided in my current community for the last 40 years and I attend 8 or 9 meetings weekly and have seen the comings and goings of thousands of A.A. members, and I seem to recognize a difference in the sharing of two groups of people. One will share about material problems or their drinking escapades, and the other will share about things of the inner self, the immaterial or the unseen things such as guilt, fear, shame, pride, trust, and conscience. We all have these things, to one degree or another and the sooner we recognize the value of being right in spirit, the more we distance ourselves from the useless, meaningless thinking of the past. My heart goes out to those who haven't experienced that spiritual awakening and if they haven't, they may not even know that they haven't.

I wish there was a simple way to induce a spiritual awakening in someone but, without the desperation, I may never have experienced it myself. I believe that the futile effort to find alcohol in my apartment that morning, and being unsuccessful, was my bottom and immediately searching out A.A. was like a slingshot for me and I was launched into the program, desperately searching for answers. Until my desperation outweighed my denial, my alcoholic thinking had been the only thing I could rely on, for my decision making. Now all my decisions are based on spiritual (unselfish) principles and most of those material problems are but distant memories. It didn't happen overnight, but it did happen. We all come to A.A. with material problems and we must give them due diligence until those issues are resolved. We learn from our past mistakes and find better ways of doing things. If we dedicate ourselves to understanding the spirit of the things we learn in the program and not settle for..... (Cont. on page 3)

72nd ANNIVERSARYMiami-Dade Intergroup

PIZZA PARTY!!

September 12, 2019 @ 7:30pm





Iglesia Metodista Unida 133 Ponce de Leon Blvd.

COMEAND HELP US CELEBRATE!



New Grapevine Book!

VOICES OF WOMEN IN A.A.

Sharing Experience Strength & Hope



VOICES OF WOMEN IN AA

Stories of experience, strength and hope from Grapevine

Groups we need your help!

We are looking for groups that would like to donate a basket with A.A. approved Literature for the amount of \$30.00 for the

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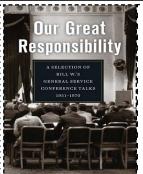
First Presbyterian Church - 609 Brickell Ave. - 33131



If your group would like to donate a basket, you can order the books by contacting the Office and we will give the books to the Basket committee.



Please contact: the Intergroup Office at (305) 461.2425



"Our Great Responsibility

New Publication

BOOK ON SALE NOW! at your INTERGROUP OFFICE

in English & Spanish!

Thank God the Nightmare is over...

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the letter of the law, so to speak, we can outdistance the failed ideas of yesterday. We will find peace; happiness and life will have meaning at last. A profound change of perception (spiritual awakening) will make it so. by Rick R.





Hank's 12-Step Program.



BUSINESS MEETING

MIAMI HOST

Every Second And Fourth Sunday Of The Month Starts @ 1:30 PM $\neq 28$ NE 54th St, Miami, FL 33137

COMMITTEE

FCYPAA

miamihost secretary @gmail.com



The Miami Group



Fall 2019 Workshops



Traditions & Concepts Workshop

2 Day Workshop & Saturday Potluck

Oct 18 - 19

Miami Big Book Workshop

Nov 15 - 17

3 Day Workshop & Saturday Lunch

Register @

miamibigbook.com

Price: \$25 each or 2 for \$40



First Miami 609 Brickell Ave Miami, FL 33131 Event to Benefit Local Intergroup, Local District 10, Area 15 and GSO.



Questions email: info@themiami.group

GRUPO UNIDAD

2012-2019



7mo Aniversario

Semana de compartimiento Del 8 al 14 de Septiembre

Sesion Publica
Domingo 15 de Septiembre
a la 1:00pm

A Party Hall

10957 SW 186th St. - Miami, FL 33157 Para informacion 786.326.4369 / 786.487.6849

GRUPO RESURRECCION

Nueva Direction
South Miami Lutheran Church
7190 SUNSET DR.
Reuniones:

Viernes y Sabados de 8:00pm a 9:30pm

GRUPO NUEVA VIDA

Nueva Direccion: 5545 SW 8th St. # 207 - 33134 Lunes a Domingo a las 8:30pm Sabado y Domingo a las 9:30am

GRUPO AMISTAD nuevo horario:

Domingos de 10:00am a 12:00pm

GRUPO NUEVO DESPERTAR nuevo horario:

Domingos de 1:00Pm a 3:00pm

AREA 15 SUR DE LA FLORIDA ASAMBLEA DE SERVICIOS GENERALES

"Nuestra Travesía Común" Auspiciado por el Distrito 9 | Broward County, FL | Octubre 4-6, 2019 Inscripción: Viernes 4:00pm - 8:30pm, Sábado 8:00am - 8:30 PM, Domingo 7:00am - 9:00am

Nuevo Grupo en Español!

"SOBRIEDAD EN BRICKELL"

(Reunion Abierta)

Nueva Reunion!
Lunes a las 8:30pm





Immanuel Lutheran Church

1770 Brickell Ave. - Miami - 33131

Noveno Paso

"Reparamos directamente a cuantos nos fue posible el daño causado, excepto cuando el hacerlo implicaba perjuicio para ellos o para otros."

Novena Gradición

"A.A. como tal nunca debe ser organizada: pero podemos crear juntas o comités de servicio que sean directamente responsables ante aquellos a quienes sirven."

Convención Internacional - Detroit, Michigan Julio 2 al 5 de 2020

Para el otoño de 2019, se dispondrá de información sobre la inscripción para la Convención y reservaciones en hoteles. Se proporci nará a la información necesaria en los paquetes de inscripción, que también estarán disponibles en otoño de 2019. El paquete incluirá una lista de números telefónicos a que llamar

para informarse en concreto sobre el alojamiento, el programa, etc. Se faciliará la información por

correo postal a los grupos, oficinas y contactos de A.A. alrededor del mundo, así como por el sitio web.



FAITHFUL FIVER MEMBERS

Yes, I want to participate in the Faithful Fiver Club!

Contribution information	: Date:			
Amount:	Monthly:	Quarterly:	Annually:	5
I am a new Member:	•	nber can contribute more than \$ Member:	3,000 per year) Returning Member:	
Check Enclosed:	Name:	Address: _		
City:	State:	Zip Code:	Tel: _()	
Yes, I would For Credit Card recurrin	like my name to be added g contribution informa	d in "The Messenger." ation please call the office	No, I would like to renat: 305.461.2425	nain anonymous

"Each day that your Group participates in the work of our local A.A. services, whether through those who "Contribute their Time" or Group Contributions, or Sobriety Contributions, something wonderful happens in A.A. When a newcomer calls us and finds your meeting, it is indeed a miracle. Your contributions show that you care about the services we as a fellowship provide and continued hope for the newcomer that reaches out for help. Words cannot fully express the deep gratitude about the energy that your A.A. Group devotes into carrying the message of hope to the still suffering alcoholic.'

FAITHFUL FIVER FRIENDS are fellow A.A. members who contribute \$5.00 a month to the Intergroup Office as an act of gratitude. Their generosity help us to carry the message of A.A. to the still sick and suffering alcoholics throughout the year! THANK YOU TO OUR FAITHFUL FIVER'S....Your contributions are very much appreciated. Adam M., 5 Anonymous.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

GS DISTRICT 10 Monthly Business Meeting

1st Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at the CG Congregational Ch. 3010 De Soto Blvd., CG *******

GS DISTRICT 10 Corrections Committee

4th Thursday of the month @ 8:00pm at Sabal Palm Room 10102 SW 107th Av., 33176 *********

Miami FCYPAA Host

2nd & 4th Sunday of the month @ 1:30pm at the Lambda Miami Dade Club 28 NE 54th St. Miami, FL 33137 ******

Archives Committee

2nd Tuesday of the month @ the Harmony Room 721 SW 24th St. # 205

Remote Communities

4th Friday of the month @ 1:00pm at St. Jude Church 126 SE 15th Rd. 2nd Floor

Meetings at the **CORAL ROOM**

1100 Ponce de Leon, CG 305.446.9558 ********

GS DISTRICT 10

Grapevine Committe 1st Sunday of the month @ 2:00pm

GS DISTRICT 10 PI/CPC

4th Saturday of the month @ 3:00pm

GS DISTRICT 10 Literature Committee

2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7:00pm

Treatment Committe

3rd Saturday of the Month @ 3:00pm

For more information go to www.district10miami.org

SOUTH DADE GROUP

Is Celebrating its



POTLUCK LUNCH

@1:00pm - 4:00pm



Followed by a:

VARIETY OF SPEAKERS SUNDAY **SEPTEMBER 15th, 2019**

Food, Fun & Fellowship! BRING A COVERED DISH AND/OR DESSERT





SOUTH DADE ROOM

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Askia K.

Founder's Day Picnic

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Further endorsements, opposing views and rebuttals to articles published are also welcomed. Also, please tell us how we can improve.

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CONCEPT NINE

Good service leaders, together with sound and appropriate methods of choosing them, are at all levels indispensable for our future functioning and safety. The primary world service leadership once exercised by the founders of A.A. must necessarily be assumed by the Trustees of the General Service Board of Alcoholics Anonymous.

HOMESTEAD

Jorge M. 2 Sherry A. 3 Mike B. 3 Laura K. 12 Wes K 14 Drew .H. 20 Ron G. 21

SOBER WAY OUT

Andrea B. 1 Eli 2 Mare M. 4 Alex V. 7 Rafaela R. 8 Raina E. 8 Norma C. 9 Lucielle G. 10 Kris S. 14 Ingral 15 Debra J. 21 Efraim 21 Garcia G. 26 Patricia G. 29 Charlotte N. 30 Jimmy S. 34 L.A. Rose 35

NORTH MIAMI

Christania 1 Angel C. 3 Milv S. 15 Andrea P. 35 Maryann G. 35

PRIMARY PURPOSE Amy 1

Marsha 3 Fred 6 Dick 13 Gabriel 15 Rich 16 Jose 19 Tom 26 Helen 31 Andrea 35 Ian 35

Shelly 37

AUGUST

SABAL PALM

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Fran I. 1

Yaile. Rohit. 2 Susie G. 2 Natalie. 2 Mark H. 4 Richard X. 7 Roy A. 7 Carlos M. 10 Gail 11 Jackie R. 11 Mike 14 Peter D. 17

Steve H. 18

Lucy V. 24

Lois D. 30

Santiago M. 35 **PALMETTO BAY**

Bernardo 1 Cathy K. 1 Annie B. 6 Camille 8 Ted M. 10 Gail S. 11 Arianne R. 11 Tom M. 37

SOUTH DADE

Sam 1 Sal 7 Shaneka 8 Gail S. 11 Dave R. 15 Drew H. 20 John M. 34 Tom Mc. 37

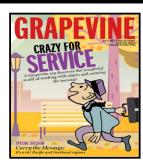
LITTLE RIVER **GROUP**

Norma 9 Lucille 10 Kriss 14 Efraim 21 Garcia 26 Deborah 28 Patricia 29 Charlotte 30 Jimmy 34 LA Rose 35

KEY BISCAYNE

Ruthie 6 Norma 17 Debbie C. 20 Jennifer R. 20





Do you know any Russian-speaking friend, who has drinking problems? Please invite them to our new 7pm **Sunday Russian-speaking** Alcoholics Anonymous meeting.



12 STEP HOUSE

www.russianaa.com russianaa.florida@gmail.com

With Great Sadness We Say Goodbye To One Of Our Most Special Members in **Alcoholics Anonymous** Who Recently Passed Away. She will always be remembered with great love and appreciation for all that she did for all of us Alcoholics. May she rest in peace.... **Our Most Sincere Condolences** To Her Family & Friends.

Brickell Group/3rd Thursday @ 1:05pm Coral Gables Group/3rd Thursday @ 7:00pm Good Morning Group/3rd Friday @11:00am Happy 1060 Group/3rd Sunday @ 11:45am Happy Hour Group/ 3rd Thursday @ 6:35pm Homestead Group/3rd Tuesday @ 7:00pm Lincoln Road YP/3rd Sunday @ 7:00pm Little River Group/2nd Sunday @ 7:00pm Miami Young People/3rd Saturday @ 7:00pm New Beginner's # 2/2nd Thursday @ 7:30pm Night Owl Group/2nd Sunday @ 7:00pm North Miami Group/Last Wednesday @ 7:15pm Palmetto Bay/3rd Wednesday @ 6:35pm Primary Purpose/Last Wednesday @ 6:45pm Quinto Paso/1st Monday @ 7:00pm Sabal Palm/3rd Thursday @ 7:00pm Sober Way Out/3rd Sunday @ 7:00pm Something Happens/1st Saturday @ 10:00am South Dade Group/3rd Wednesday @ 7:00pm South Dixie Group/2nd Sunday @ 12:15pm Sunset Group/2nd Friday @ 7:00pm West Miami Group/3rd Tuesday @ 7:00pm

Group Conscience/Business/Service Meetings

Group Anniversaries

We Stopped in Time/1st Monday @ 9:35pm

Young, Sober &Free/Last Sunday @ 8:05pm

Almeria Group/Last Tuesday @ 7:30pm Coral Gables Group/Last Monday @ 8:00pm Grupo Central/Last Sunday @ 1:00pm Good Morning Group/Last Friday @ 10:00am Happy 1060 Group/Last Sunday @ 10:45am Happy Hour Group/Last Friday @ 5:30pm Homestead Group/Last Thursday @ 8:30pm Key Biscayne Group/Last Friday @ 8:30pm Killian Pines Group/Last Friday @ 8:00pm Lincoln Road YP/Last Sunday @ 7:00pm Little River Group/Last Wednesday @ 8:30pm Miami Springs Group/Last Monday @ 7:30pm Miami Young People/Last Saturday @ 8:30pm North Miami Group/Last Friday @ 8:30pm Palmetto Bay Group/Last Saturday @ 5:30pm Plymouth Group/Last Wednesday @ 7:00pm Primary Purpose/Last Saturday @ 8:30pm Sabal Palm Group/Last Sunday @ 7:00pm Shamrock Group/Last Tuesday @ 8:30pm Sober Way Out/Last Friday @ 8:30pm Something Happens/Last Saturday @ 9:00am South Dade Group/Last Friday @ 8:30pm South Dixie Group/Last Saturday @ 7:30pm Sunset Group/Last Friday @ 7:30pm West Miami Group/Last Friday @ 8:30pm We Stopped in Time/Last Monday Young, Sober and Free/Last Sunday

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Getting Through Tough Times in Sobriety (due Aug 20)

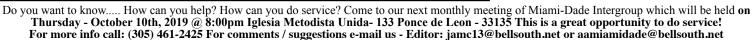
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Please note: When you mail in this form, feel free to add something you would like to share with the fellowship (a thought, a story, a joke or something you heard at a meeting.)

HELP US CARRY THE MESSAGE!!!

