

Suggestions to Sponsors

When the Good Samaritan became involved in the life of the wounded man in the ditch, *Luke 10:29-36*, he committed himself to the man's total recovery. We ask sponsors to commit themselves to the man they are sponsoring by bringing him to Dunklin, aiding him while he is here, and helping him when he is ready to leave. Aftercare is often the most neglected area of regeneration. The following are some helpful suggestions when sponsoring a man:

- Pray for the man and his family daily
- Communicate with him regularly by letter or personal visits (Some of the men never receive a letter during their entire stay)



- Send him necessary toiletries
- Keep in contact with the man's family
- Help the man readjust after he graduates (Your involvement may greatly influence his success)
- Before approaching the man about a job, we suggest you contact a program counselor and ask about the man's readiness to leave the program

Beginnings

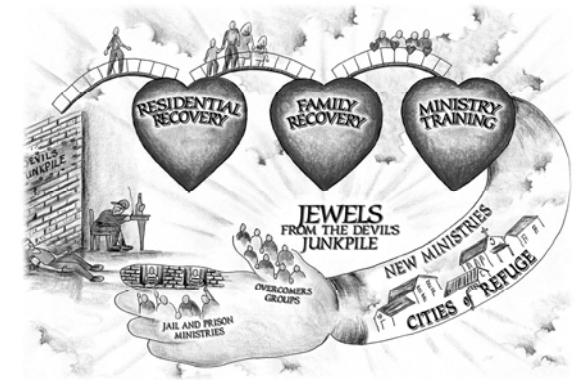
Dunklin Memorial Church was founded by Mickey and Laura Maye Evans in 1962 in a wilderness area of Martin County for the purpose of building a center for the spiritual, emotional, and physical regeneration of alcoholics and drug addicts. What began as a tent ministry has grown into a beautiful community and training center that is being reproduced in other parts of the world.



What We Believe

We believe the Christian approach to alcohol and drug addiction produces the most effective and enduring results. Therefore, we teach that the Bible is the inspired Word of God directing us to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Through the experience of the "New Birth in Christ", an addicted person achieves not only sobriety, but more important, a permanent lasting relationship with the loving God who created him. Biblical family counseling is a vital part of our therapy. The families of the men in the program are encouraged to participate in discussion groups and Biblical counseling sessions every weekend where each family member receives guidance and spiritual instruction in the rebuilding of family life. As a result, the Dunklin community has grown to be a lively local church body drawing from surrounding cities, former addicts, families in recovery and other Christians desiring the holistic and earnest experience of Christ's lordship.

Dunklin Memorial Church



Drug and Alcohol Regeneration Ministry Admissions Information

"Come unto me all who are weary and heavy-laden and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28

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**Office Hours: 8 AM to 5 PM
Monday thru Friday**

Our Admission Procedures

The single most important factor for admittance into Dunklin's program is a man's attitude. Each incoming resident is interviewed to see if he has a sincere desire to find spiritual help. We have found that we cannot help a man until he is ready to let God help him. Our program is ten months long and always filled to capacity. Because of this, the following established requirements must be met prior to consideration for admission:

1. We require that the man interested in the program phone us to discuss why he wants to enter the program and his current situation. We do not accept collect calls.
2. If the person cannot make a phone call, a letter including the following information is required: *Current situation; Reason for wanting to enter program; Name, age, address, and phone number; Occupation and work history; Marital status and number of dependents; How your family will be cared for while here; Type of addiction and number of years in it; Previous rehabilitation programs attended; Current court charges; Complete criminal history; and Medical problems requiring special attention.* We will respond to the letter as quickly as possible.
3. All interview appointments will be scheduled by the program director and set during normal working hours. Weekend appointments will require special arrangements.
4. The personal interview should in no way be interpreted as automatic acceptance into the program. Its purpose is to discern if a man is truly ready to receive help and determine how we can best meet his particular needs.
5. We require that a man be completely off drugs or alcohol at least four days prior to the interview. We will **not** take men into our

program who are intoxicated or under heavy sedation.

6. Persons requiring medication or medical attention will have their situation reviewed on an individual basis.
7. No tobacco products of any kind are allowed in the program because of the correlation between alcohol, drug and tobacco addiction. One of the goals of the program is to overcome all self destructive addictions.
8. Before acceptance into Dunklin, all legal obligations, including court dates, must be successfully completed or deferred until completion of the program. .
9. Items necessary for residents, such as clothing and toiletries, will be discussed before entering the program.
10. Incoming residents should bring their social security card and a photo I.D. to the intake interview.



Financial Arrangements

The cost for the ten-month program is \$4,000. However, no one will be denied admittance due to lack of funds. Financial arrangements will be discussed during the admission interview.

The Program

Our Regeneration Program requires a ten-month commitment. This begins with a four-week Induction Period. During this time, the man will begin to develop his relationship with the Lord and gain an understanding of the Dunklin program. Following the Induction Period, there is an Orientation Period where the man writes a personal contract stating specific achievable goals he intends to attain during the remainder of the program. After Orientation, the ten-week Regeneration begins where Biblical counseling, classroom teaching, small groups are methods used to address the spiritual, mental, and physical issues involved with addiction. The next ten weeks involve the process of Inner Healing where the man learns that forgiveness is the key to spiritual maturity and that the cross is the focal point for all forgiveness. Next, the man enters a ten-week period of Discipleship Training where he learns to take his focus off his addiction and who he used to be and learns to walk in the truth of who God says he is. Every man in the program is assigned a work task for approximately five hours each day according to his physical ability and skills. The purpose of this is to learn good work ethics, apply relational skills, and develop team work in a closely supervised environment.

