



November 2015 Newsletter

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NEW FACILITATORS TRAINED IN BRADENTON, FL

Four new people were added to the ranks of FIT facilitators on November 7. We are excited about their future with us because of the unique contributions and vision for ministry that each one brings to the table.

In the back on the left is **Krystal Bostick**. Krystal is from Bradenton, FL and is a residential leader at His Girls Discipleship center. Their facility already uses the FIT curriculum and Krystal is excited about implementing the complete 100-hour program to incorporate all the separate life issues that FIT addresses.

At back and center is **Ellie Larson**, FIT trainer and office manager. Ellie is particularly proud of the local program and the fruits of the last year. That includes many graduations on Thursday nights, two baptismal services outside of class. Currently the local team conducts four different classes each Thursday night. Some of the photos are in the background.

On the right in the back is **Judith Panian** of Naples, FL. She drove two hours to come to the session. Judith is heavily involved in the prison ministry at First Baptist Church in Naples. She joins our other facilitators at the Collier County Jail, providing services to both their male and female clients. FIT salutes First Baptist for their support and vision.

In the front are **Robert and Cathleen Franklin**. New to Florida, they bring a fervor for our program and are looking forward to their contributions. Robert is retired military and Cathleen is a special needs teacher in the local school system.

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Comments from the field: this quote comes by way of the Chaplain of the Walton Correctional Institution where Jim and Lorna Hendrix facilitate our program.

“Those two rock stars; Jim Hendrix and his stage-hand/wife are doing a wonderful job with the FIT class – We love ’em here and they have become like “Parents” to us - the guys 7/25/2015.”

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Have a story to share? Send your story by email to fit@100hour.org and we will try to fit it in. High-quality photos are especially welcome. Your story may encourage others who are facing the same problems and frustrations that you are. Our ministry is nothing without its people.

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FIT Expands Offerings at His Girls Ministry



We are pleased to announce that the 'His' Girls Discipleship ministry in Bradenton, FL has adopted our program to service the needs of their residents. It is a 12-month Christian program for women. They join the Character Development (men and women), Learn to Fish (women), and Jim Russo (men) ministries in providing "life skills through faith" in the Bradenton area. Like other facilities, both clients and leaders find our program effective and look forward to our sessions and the opportunities to share, problem-solve together, and grow personally and spiritually.

Standing, left to right, are **Catherine Morton**, Program Director and **Tracy Lajeunesse**, Executive Director. They are eager to use our program because they are impressed with its quality, personal-problem-solving emphasis, and spiritual core. Catherine was originally in our Dating and Marriage course as a client in another facility. Now she just celebrated her first wedding anniversary to another committed Christian. The photo on the right shows Tracy (left) and Catherine (right) in their office.



Catherine told us that she likes our program because it provides faith-building with life-controlling issues. She enjoys being able to facilitate these classes at their location. The FIT curriculum is a good match for them because most of the women who come to their facility have court cases and are required to complete such life skills courses like the ones that we offer. She also likes the custom certificates that are provided.

Krystal Bostick, not shown above but shown on the front page adds: "Currently at His Girls We Have 19 Women and growing daily. We feel the Fit curriculum would benefit each lady who walks in the door."