



# Our biggest chapter

**150 gather in prison amidst the Texas heat**

Brothers-in-White met Aug. 2-3 at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Wayne Scott Unit near Angleton, south of Houston. This Brotherhood chapter is the nation's largest chapter and has been meeting for eight years.

# On Servant Leadership

By Jim Cutshall

ANGLETON, Texas - St. Timothy's Episcopal Church Brothers held their eighth annual retreat at the Wayne Scott Unit prison Aug. 2-3.

There were approximately 150 Brothers-in-White in attendance along with 20 or so volunteers from the free world. Wayne Scott is the Brotherhood's largest chapter and is sponsored by and attached to the St. Timothy's chapter.

The retreat was partially funded by a grant from the Texas Diocese Brotherhood Assembly, which annually raises money with a fun day of golf.

The theme this year was Servant Leadership.

Brothers-in-White were asked these questions over the day-and-a half retreat:

- \* How do I exhibit Servant Leadership in my daily life?
  - \* What can I do to develop a better willingness to have a serving attitude and value people rather than manipulate them?
  - \* What blocks Servant Leadership from working and being exhibited in me?
  - \* How can I make Servant Leadership function better, stronger and faster, even in times of uncertainty and stress?
- Speakers included Bishop Rayford High, Brother Franklyn

Malone, Brother Jerry Bailey, Chaplain Sylvester Ballard, Charlie Martinez and Frank Catania.

A gospel band helped to round out the day with singing to the Lord and great joy.

Open mike sessions followed each talk where each group would share what they learned from each presentation.

There was an open mike at the conclusion that spoke to:

\* How did you spiritually feel before you came to the retreat?

\* What did you find here?

\* What are you taking away with you?

There were some very insightful and blessed comments from our Brothers-in-White.

The event was again facilitated by our Brother Dickson de la Haye, who will be moving away from the area in January. He will be greatly missed in the local prison ministry that include in addition to our ministry at Wayne Scott, ministries at Clemens TDCJ prison with Kairos, mentoring a faith-based dorm and a program he developed called Rebound that helps inmates who will be leaving the system.

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Clockwise from top left: National prison ministry vice-president and chaplain Jerry Bailey addresses the Brothers-in-White; national fatherhood and mentoring vice-president Franklyn Malone talks about how inmate Brothers can mentor those who are not; Lutheran minister and Brother Dickson de la Haye addresses inmate Brothers for the last time. Brother de la Haye is moving from Texas; he has been a major factor in the chapter's success; a gospel music band replaced the usual country-and-western style ensemble for this year's annual gathering in South Texas.

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