A Brief History of HUGE

In 2002, two completely broken men, who finally came to the end of themselves for the first time in their lives, truly reached out for God and were willing to be obedient. Through this time they were wondering, “where are the men?” They needed help and support, but the men of the church weren’t available. That’s when God spoke to them very clearly, “You will be those kinds of men for others”.

So these two broken men simply took steps forward, not knowing God’s full plan. They started a men’s group, which developed into a men’s ministry at a local church, then combined men’s activities with men from other churches by creating men’s forums and weekend retreats.

By 2010, God grew this movement to the point the leadership knew this would be passed on to the next generation. To do that, they needed to know their identity and purpose. In one major brainstorming, prayerful day, God revealed four core values: Honoring God, Unifying Men, Growing in Christ, Equipping Disciples. This became their mission and vision.

From that point on, HUGE became partners with multiple churches and camps such as Warm Beach which now holds the weekend event called “Men’s Advance”, because men advance, not retreat.

We believe to our core that God wants to continue to grow the HUGE Ministry and expand to other locations as God leads us. It’s amazing to see what God has done to reach and teach so many people through a bunch of misfits such as ourselves. What will the future look like? This started with two broken men willing to be obedient. How about you? Are you willing?

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What’s the big deal about H.U.G.E. Men of God?

We are an organization quite different from other types of men's groups and ministries. The name H.U.G.E. is an acronym for Honoring God, Unifying Men, Growing in Christ, and Equipping Disciples. The H.U.G.E purpose is defined by these FOUR values.

ONORING GOD

We honor God by BEING men of God. We focus on God's desires, God's will, God's way, and not our own way. By BEING men of God our actions will then automatically follow. If we will BE men of integrity, our actions will be filled with honesty, trustworthiness and sincerity. If we will BE men of character, then our "YES" will be YES and our "NO" will be NO. Men will follow our lead, because we follow Jesus' lead.

NIFYING MEN

We believe God has called us into ministry to serve men. We believe if God reaches men, the men will reach their families, families will reach their neighborhoods, and neighborhoods will reach our community. Through men, God will reach the world. Jesus cried out for us to be unified so the world will know He sent us as ONE to foster unity among men, churches and ministries to build up His Body and to reach others who do not know Jesus yet.

ROWING IN CHRIST

We are aware that we are sinners who have come up short of the Glory of God. Only through Jesus are we saved. Even with that assurance, we all have areas to improve, areas to learn, and areas to grow. We don't pretend we have all the answers, but through unity and the multiple connections, we are able to provide a person, a group, and even a church a way to find what they are looking for. We seek to BE more like Jesus every day in walking closer with Him as we follow Him better and quicker.

QUIPPING DISCIPLES

In the beginning, we felt God was developing us into a year round ministry, not just a weekend event. We are involved in the lives of men, the ministries and churches throughout the year. We partner up with other ministries, and equip other men to share the gospel, as well as training the next generation.

Do <u>you</u> have what it takes to be H.U.G.E.?

This is the basis of the H.U.G.E. identity :

Matthew 22:37-40 (NIV)
Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself.'40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.

A message from the President

Every man was made on PURPOSE for a PURPOSE. I know this is true because we are all breathing. We are here to fulfill a mission, a goal. Without this we are depressed, lonely, in despair, and angry. But HOPE counters all of this. And HOPE's beautiful sister is PURPOSE. We have the honor and privilege to love and serve God, and others. We in the H.U.G.E. Men of God Ministry want every man to discover their full potential, their full PURPOSE and to live it out fully alive. Wow, if this became true, what would our communities look like?

Who You Are and What You Do MATTERS!!!
God Bless, James Brooke