

News from SUNDAY BREAKFAST MISSION

Your Prayerful Support Will Help Others

Alazar's Basketball Camp

Because you have prayed and supported Sunday Breakfast Mission, every summer for the last ten years, we have held our annual Alazar's Basketball Camp for older elementary boys and girls. That first year we had twenty kids. Our good friend Newell Smith, then District Superintendent for the Philadelphia District of the Church of the Nazarene, was head coach and design master for the camp. Newell had created and run basketball camps at the churches he pastored and at inner-city Philadelphia ministries. He was terrific.

Every day during a break in the action we would have a devotional led by Coach Newell except for Wednesday when I got to tell the story of Alazar, Janice's and my son, who had died at the age of 7 in his sleep. I then shared how he came to know Jesus and how they too could have Jesus "change their heart...change their attitude."

That is what Alazar would say.

In 2018, Coach Newell had to retire and Coach David Corbett joined us. Like Coach Newell, Coach Corbett brought not only great skills as a player and coach, but a commitment to Christ, the heart of an evangelists, and a love for kids.



CONSTRUCTION NEWS FROM REVEREND LAYMON:

Sunday Breakfast Mission has always housed homeless men to first shelter them and then provided Bible based Discipleship Program to give them the opportunity to know God and let him change their lives from homelessness, addiction, and jail.

God has blessed this effort in recent years with hundreds of men graduating from the Program.

For the last 40 years the accommodations for these men haven't changed much except that for the last 20 years we have been in overflow with our shelter with over 70 men now sleeping on mats.

In the past several months we have initiated construction of new quarters for all of these men. The living quarters for our Residents in the Discipleship Program will be completed within days and soon after there will begin a remodeling of space for overnight shelter.



Aftercare Care Room

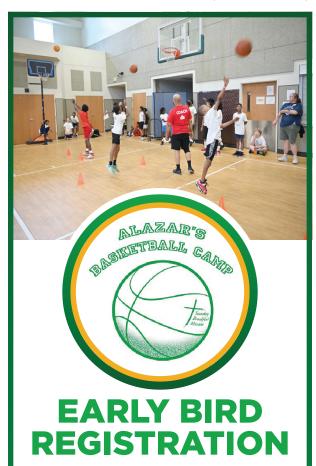
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Sunday Breakfast Mission

FIND HOPE ON WINGS OF THE MORNING

SUNDAYS @7:45 AM





Reserve Your Child's Space Now!

REGISTER ONLINE:

www.sundaybreakfastmisson. org/basketball-registration

Or Mail/Drop-off the completed form to: **Sunday Breakfast Mission** 110 N. Poplar St. Wilmington, DE 19801

Limited Availability



LOOK AHEAD CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JUNE	24	25	26	27	28	
	ALAZAR'S BASKETBALL CAMP					
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	FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION DAY	FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION DAY		THANKSGIVING DAY		
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
DEC.			18	19	20	
			CHRISTMAS TOY SHOP			

PREP OUR KIDS FOR SCHOOL BY GATHERING THESE ITEMS:

Backpacks for Middle School students Backpacks for Elementary students Wide & College-ruled Notebook Paper Wide & College-ruled 1 Subject Spiral Notebooks

Wide & College-ruled Composition Books

Blunt and Pointed Tip Scissors

Washable Glue Sticks & Bottles

Pencil Sharpeners Pocket Folders Colored Pencils

Earbuds

Washable Markers

Cap Erasers Rulers



BACK-TO-SCHOOL RALLY SCHEDULED AUGUST 10, 2024



Your donations can be delivered to: Sunday Breakfast Mission, 110 N. Poplar St., Wilmington, DE 19801 Wish list link https://a.co/2LfvzT2 Donated items due at the Mission by July 20

THANKSGIVING;

Here is a **Big Thank You** to all who helped during the Thanksgiving holiday time. Because of you, **49,000 pounds of food** was collected between October and December. Food was received from the generous patrons and staff of WSFS Bank. WSFS graciously allows food collection boxes in each of the branch offices as well as their business offices. Food donations were also received from big-hearted individuals, church, school, and community groups too. Without friends like you, events like this would never be possible.

Where did all of this food go? It went into the 1,124 food boxes that were distributed prior to Thanksgiving. Each of families that received a Thanksgiving food box also received a turkey and a bag of potatoes. There were also 600 **people** here on Thanksgiving Day for the Great Thanksgiving Banquet. It was a great privilege to be able to serve so many people on a single day.

You may now be asking where did the food go that came in after **Thanksgiving?** It is going into the food boxes that are distributed each month (334 for 2023) to families in need. On the second and fourth Saturday of each month people are served because of these food boxes.

Remember this is more than just boxes of food. Each recipient has the opportunity to talk to a volunteer or staff member and hear the life-giving message that Jesus forgives sin. New life in Christ is possible. This new life does not erase problems, but it does provide strength to get through problems. If you have not experienced new life in Christ, please give us a call. We would be delighted to share with you.

YOU can continue to help.

- · Volunteer to come and build food boxes with
- At the writing of this newsletter, the supply of peanut butter, jelly, and rice is low. Consider bringing these items to the Mission.
- Volunteer to help with sharing the Gospel on the second or forth Saturday as more food boxes are distributed.
- Continue to pray for the work of the Mission.

THANK YOU SO MUCH! We look forward to hearing from you!

BRUCE DAVISON, Church and Community Manager 302-656-8542 Ext 172



Phalanx Foundation set tables Thanksgiving Day



Guests enjoying Thanksgiving Banquet



Redeemed Christian Church of God gave 60 turkeys.



More guests enjoying **Thanksgiving Banquet**



Salesianum students and families gave 90 turkeys



First State Squash building food boxes

Big Smiles Made Possible Because

This Christmas season brought so many bright smiles, memories, and joy! The Christmas Toy Shop opened for parents who were excited to select action figures, dolls, bicycles, puzzles, arts and crafts and so much more for their children this Christmas season. Parents carefully choose 5 gifts and a selection of the stocking stuffers for each of their children, plus gifts for the family to enjoy. Handcrafted blankets, scarves and hats were available due to generous donors who used their time and energies to create these cozy warm comfortable items. What an amazing sight to see the joy, smile, and gratitude of parents as they were able to provide a wonderful Christmas for their children through the Christmas Toy Shop.



A joyful grandparent collected gifts for her granddaughter with the aid of a Wells Fargo volunteer shopper during Christmas Toy Shop.



A joyful mom carefully selected a bicycle for her daughter!

Because of you generosity over 356 children had bright smiles as they received a special Christmas. Sunday Breakfast Mission celebrates how much we were able to provide to our community through YOU!



Thank you to Boulden Brothers, for glimmering joy this Christmas with the truckload of toys donated through the Boulden Brothers' Christmas for kids toy drive.

The Ministry of Hospitality

A conversation with Rev. Tom Laymon (TL) and the new Food Service Director Kitwan Baughn (KB) and Food Service Asst., Anna Martin (AM) about their experiences at SBM doing a ministry of hospitality.

TL: Let's get started here. We're here with Kitwan Baugh and with Anna Martin. They are the Food Service staff. "Key" is our new food service director at Sunday Breakfast Mission. Then we have Anna who has been a resident and then an intern, next she then was thrown into an assistant manager under the Director Joe Annese who passed away. Then she had to take more responsibility on and so forth. We're here talking about food service at Sunday Breakfast Mission. During this transition time it's been a significant transition because of all the things I just mentioned. Welcome Key and welcome Anna. Let's get started with you first, Anna, as a resident. Then you became a graduate of the program. How long were you in the program and internship?

AM: Since June 2019 when I came into the program. Graduated and became an intern under Joe Annese and pretty much just got dropped into everything.

TL: So, when Pastor Joe passed away, you were a few months into being the assistant manager of food service working under Joe. What was it like being a graduate, knowing many of the residents because you had been in program with them, what was it like managing them under those kinds of circumstances?

AM: Actually, very difficult. It is a whole another ball game from being a resident to being employed and managing your peers. It's totally different.

TL: How did you get through?

AM: You and your wife, encouragement, and the Lord of course. Jesus many days covered me. Yeah, there's a lot of things that I saw Pastor Joe deal with. There was a lot of things that I had to deal with that I did not get a chance to see for myself firsthand until now.

TL: Having to manage the Great Thanksgiving Banquet tell us how many people did you have to provide Thanksgiving dinner for?

AM: Personally, from what I've seen I'm thinking anywhere from 700 to 800 people, sometimes plus, but yeah, it's a lot of people.

TL: So when you have to cook let's say for about 1000 and all of it has to be ready at the same time?

AM: There's just no room for error and it's best to plan way ahead of time.



KITWAN BAUGHN & ANNA MARTIN

TL: How far ahead of time?

AM: I think we did like a month or two months ahead of time. There is planning for this stuff which we pretty much knew because I've seen Pastor Joe doing it so many times. He would plan literally a whole year ahead of time. He did everything he had to do to be perfect. We knew what we were doing. We just had to get together and have our meeting, so everybody knows what their role is.

TL: What are all the pieces? We know you're going to cook turkey. How far ahead do you have to start cooking turkeys?

AM: At least seven days ahead to cook turkeys because you must cook them. You must pull them apart and then you must separate light from dark. We did 7 days prior each day and cooked 30 turkeys. That's what we did. When you were cooking, of course, you had volunteers. That was great because it helped ease a lot of the pressure on one person. Now, of course, you know during that time you are not just focused on Thanksgiving because you still have meals going on at the Mission. We're cooking turkeys, plus, we have to make sure dinner is ready for 200 to 300 people daily.

TL: Now this takes a lot of volunteers in the kitchens. How many volunteers do you have for each kitchen?

AM: Oh, my goodness you have about 20 volunteers or more for each kitchen at any given time.

TL: How was it getting through Thanksgiving? What challenges did you have after it was done? Did you reflect back on it? Did you think about it?

AM: I learned a lot from it. When I was a resident, I didn't see what was going on behind the scenes. Now, I know exactly what's going on behind the scenes. So, there's a big difference. I grew since being a resident to actually managing the kitchen. You learn a lot, I mean a lot. I understand why Joe prepared for things a year ahead of time. It makes so much more sense.

TL: Now, I understand in addition to preparing for the Thanksgiving meal, food boxes, also had to be prepared. This was under you as well. So, we normally have to prepare about 2000 to 2500 food boxes. The food boxes means 50 pounds of food and those are given out the week of Thanksgiving, as well. Aren't they?

AM: Yes! They are. So, there were a lot of tiring nights. I thought, okay, I'm just going to go to sleep. Yes, I remember rushing out to the store with you at BJ's.

TL: You learned about the Lord when you came here personally.

AM: I did...

TL: And how has tackling something like Thanksgiving strengthened your faith?

AM: I know I am not alone. I have Him to lean on. I knew it wasn't my own understanding because I was worried. Oh, My goodness! Yet, learning about the Lord is like, Ok, you know what... I'm not by myself. He's right here. That was awesome! You don't have to go through things by yourself. So, I learned that when you let him handle it, you're good.

TL: KEY, you came to Sunday breakfast mission when?

KB: I came two days before Christmas.

TL: You determined you were going to be here for Christmas Day. Why did you want to be here for Christmas Day?

KB: I wanted to be here Christmas Day to help out. I just had got the job a couple days prior to Christmas. I felt, as though, let me work a couple days before Christmas so I can get familiarized with the staff. Then on Christmas I could really be more essential to help especially coming in as the new Food Director.

TL: What's your background?

KB: Many years in food service that began with a culinary education background in high school. Then, I went to the restaurant school in Philadelphia. After that I did some jobs here in the city of Wilmington I was with Marriott for a number of years as a district food and beverage manager. Then I worked at a nursing home. I also went to a charter school in Middletown. I loved the kiddos. Now, I'm here. This is the best place to be!

TL: Why come and serve? You could serve food, or be a chef in many places. Why at a rescue mission that serves the homeless, the addicted and the impoverished established. Why do that here?

KB: I think you said the keyword serve. Serving is all I know how to do my whole life. I've been a servant in the church as well as in the community. When I was praying for a new opportunity, as I stated I was working in the Middletown, I really wanted to be in Wilmington. I wanted to give back to the community that has always given me opportunities. So, after praying for a new culinary experience in Wilmington, I saw the opportunity here at the Mission. The Lord opened up the door and He provided a way for me to get in.

TL: So, cooking meals for hundreds of people is nothing new to you. What's different about doing meals at Sunday breakfast mission versus every other place that you've been?

KB: I've cooked for many different people kids, older people but, never the homeless. So a lot of the people that come through the line have want. We're

trying to provide a need, not only to provide them with food but, also of encouragement to be able to do better.

TL: So, what is it like dealing with the resources that Sunday breakfast Mission gets in donations? Because I believe you discovered that we get far more donations that you ever imagined.

KB: I have driven past this mission 10,000 to one times and I never knew that people give. Yet, people really give, and they give in an abundance of food. There are partnering restaurant companies that donate here. Also just people in general give chicken, turkeys, hams and different side dishes. I'll never forget one night when we were in the kitchen when the young man from the front desk pushed in a cart with containers on it. I picked up the container with the food, which was hot. First of all, I was amazed that it was hot. Sometimes, food comes in a day or two days later from when they cooked it. Since, this was piping hot, I knew it just came out of the oven. When I took the lid off it really looked amazing! It was like somebody took time and really cared about feeding the men and women here at the shelter. That was one of the best experiences that I've had so far. That was great!

TL: What way has being at Sunday breakfast Mission challenged your faith?

KB: We all have a background and I used to have an addiction background. So, to be here seeing individuals encourages me to not only keep on the right path. Also, being here at the Mission has pushed me to do better for myself and to be more of an example of Christ to the individuals who are trying daily to do better.



The Evening Mission Chapel

The Heart of the Volunteer Ministry



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Each night at Sunday Breakfast Mission chapel service is held for all who enter the Mission. Most evenings a church group on site shares music and the Gospel during this chapel time. Currently 35

teams faithfully provides this valuable service.

Most chapel teams have committed to come once a month. They spend time planning their music and message to be ready to share. Many teams have faithfully participated and served for years the people that walk through the doors.

This chapel times we have seen many people come to Christ. With others we may never know how the Gospel has influenced their lives.

This team from Bethel Baptist has been serving more than 4 years. Dick tells us, "One night the Holy Spirit prompted five men to come forward to pray to receive Christ as Savior..." He added, "Frequently after services men come forward for Christian counsel and others come requesting prayer as it relates to their life."

Riversong Revival has served for more than 10 years on the women and family side. They have ministered to as many as 50 people. Today the numbers may reach over 75 adults and 20 children. Sue tells us, "You need to keep coming back, month after month, bringing the message of the Gospel. Those in Residency program, you'll develop a relationship with them.....The Overnighters give you a chance to present God's plan for Salvation to some who may never have really heard it,..."

Sue continues; "If you feel our Lord has been calling you to step out and into a commitment to serve Him, and not just shine a light on yourself by all means, please build a Chapel Team." Dick had a similar message.

Dave tells us, "I have been so blessed by ministering to the folks at Sunday Breakfast Mission, and this work always returns more than I give. It is a privilege to serve in this ministry."

These quotes are just a sampling of the comments from some of the team leaders that provide this valuable service.

As you remember Sunday Breakfast Mission, please pray for these dedicated men and women as they humbly serve and share the Gospel each evening.



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to find out way to get your Church Group Involved: 302-652-8314 ex 172 or bdavison@sundaybreakfastmission.org

Bagels with Bruce get the whole schmear

Come join
Bruce Davison,

Church & Community Relations Manager

of Sunday Breakfast Mission for a bagel and spread of your choice.

Bruce will buy the first bagel and hot beverage.

Take this opportunity to learn firsthand exciting news from Sunday Breakfast Mission. When you come make sure you ask about the construction project and how you can help.

See you soon!

RSVP by the Tuesday prior to your selected date. Bruce Davison 302-652-8314 ex 172 or bdavison@sundaybreakfastmission.org

Einstein Bros. Bagels

1732 Marsh Rd, Wilmington, DE 19810 Thursday, March 7 | 8:00 am

The Well Coffeehouse

6949 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin, DE 19707 Thursday, March 14 | 10:00 am

Bagels & Boba Café

214 Peoples Plz, Newark, DE 19702 Thursday, March 21 | 1:00 pm



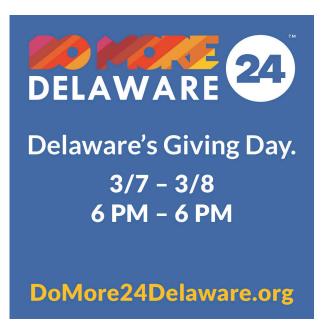
Helping Keep the Legacy Alive



Honoring the legacy and dream of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., many volunteers came together to serve the homeless, hurting, and hungry at SBM. Volunteers from New Castle Eye Associates, St. Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church, Goldey-Beacom College, The Delaware State Bar Association, and Maples Group, helped serve meals, cleaned kitchens, and eagerly rolled up their sleeves to prepare to meet the needs of the homeless, addicted, and impoverished community.



New Castle Eye Associates









First State Squash



Billionaire Charles Feeney embraced a "giving while living" philosophy and committed to donating nearly all his wealth. By the time he passed away in 2023, he had given away \$8 billion.

You may not be a billionaire, but you can give like one. Here are three lessons we can glean from Charles Feeney's example.

1. Pursue generosity now. You have time, talent, and treasure. Now's the time to be generous with these gifts to meet the needs around you.

It's easy to get concerned about having enough time to serve or money to live on. But God is infinitely generous and promises to meet every one of your needs. "Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they?" (Matthew 6:26).

2. Plan to give later. There are any number of ways to extend generosity after your lifetime, from including a gift in your will for [Your Ministry Name] to donating appreciated assets like stocks or mutual funds.

3. Share your why. Initially, Charles Feeney preferred to donate anonymously. As he got older, he became more public about his desire to set an example with his giving. You can do that too. Sharing your

commitment to generosity with your family can ignite that same spark in the generations after you.

Whether you're rich in time, talent, or treasure, you can give while you live and make a powerful statement about what matters most.

For the full version of this article, request a FREE copy of "3 Ways to Give Like a Billionaire" by contacting Rev. Tom Laymon at (302) 656-8542, ext. 103 or tlaymon@sundaybreakfastmission.org-Visit christianwill.org/sbm to bless your family with an up-to-date will.

CHECK-BOX OFFERS

- ☐ Please send me a FREE copy of your special bulletin "3 Ways to Give Like a Billionaire"
- Please send me information about including Sunday Breakfast Mission in my will, trust or estate plan

CAMP

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Over the years hundreds of kids have come to the camp right here in the gym of Sunday Breakfast Mission. Over the years hundreds of kids have committed their lives to Christ too. Because you cared, because you give, because you prayed, this short week in the year has become one of the most important in the life of the Mission.

No, the vast majority of the kids that participate are not homeless, though some are, but it is important for you to know that over 60% of the homeless adults began to use drugs or alcohol before the age of twelve, virtually condemning them to addiction, homelessness, and jail. This is the age of the children that attend camp.

Because you give we are able, through the game of basketball, to share about the One who can change their hearts now and save them in this life and for eternity. Please pray. Please give.

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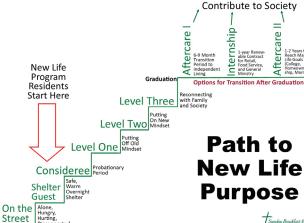
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However, to truly prepare several of these rooms for accommodation we need your help. We need churches, business groups, community groups or even families to provide the furnishing and décor in

many of these rooms designed for individual men. We need at least 7 new groups to adopt these rooms and come in and provide furniture and décor to encourage these men in their journey to follow Christ.

For information contact
BRUCE DAVISON
Church and Community
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Former Homeless Gainfully





Level 3 Dormitory Completed with Carpet and ready for furnishings.



Sunday Breakfast Mission serves the homeless, addicted, and impoverished through Christ-centered programs to meet their spiritual, social, and physical needs. Our primary goal is to restore people to right relationships with God, their families, and society.

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