



News from

SUNDAY BREAKFAST MISSION

Your Prayerful Support Will Help Others

Off the Narrow Path

After a car accident and a DUI probation, Sean came to Sunday Breakfast Mission and is thankful God led him here. Sean was born and raised in Brooklyn, NY. Though he was raised in the church and had a solid working family, when he was 10 years old his father passed away and he went to live with his grandfather. Sean's mother eventually remarried and Sean traveled back and forth between the two households. He did very well in school and after graduating high school went to college and graduated with a 2-year degree in Culinary Arts. Although he originally went to classes to meet girls, he soon fell in love with the art of cooking. After moving to Florida in search of a better living, his second child was born. Eventually Sean started his own catering service, which went well until business faded. At that time, he sought out other



Sean

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work to supplement his income. While living in PA and working at a nursing home, he heard of a job in Delaware as a food service director. Once interviewed, he was offered the position. He moved to DE with his wife and child to begin his new life. Things changed suddenly after he received a call from his prospective employer who told him that the job was no longer his. He had relocated to this position and was stunned to find out that it was no longer being offered to him. He found other work to support his family but, in his frustration, developed a substance use addiction. Sean said, "God didn't walk away from me, I walked away from Him." It is only by God's grace that Sean has been able to rebuild his life. Sean knows God has a plan for him and is eager to enjoy this journey with God's help.

**Because You Give - lives
are changed!**



We need you!

SBM Food Drive begins October 7th. Drop off your food items at WSFS locations (see grocery bag for WSFS locations in Kent & New Castle counties)

Thanksgiving is a time for gratitude. Most of us have what we need and a little more. Sadly, some in

our community can barely make ends meet and do not have the resources to celebrate. Because of you, last year SBM was able to distribute over 1,400 food boxes to needy families in our community. These

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REV. TOM LAYMON

FIND HOPE

ON WINGS OF THE MORNING

**SUNDAYS
@7:45 AM**

**WDEL 1150 AM
101.7 FM**
DELAWARE'S NEWSRADIO

Fun With Basketball



Visit from Delaware Blue Coats

Because YOU gave dozens of bouncing basketballs filled the halls as joyful children gathered at Sunday Breakfast Mission to learn new skills, develop new friendships, enjoy the game of basketball and hear about Jesus. Alazar's Basketball Camp had finally begun! Caring volunteers from around the area invested their time and energy in coaching these boys and girls in essential basketball skills and skills for life. Did we invest in the next LeBron James? - It's possible.

Between time spent bouncing balls and hydrating with juice boxes, these children learned something even more vital to their future. We had the opportunity to show them Jesus. Nine to eleven-year-old children gathered to run drills, develop proper techniques, and have fun! But Coach Dave Corbett made sure that they knew good sportsmanship, basketball etiquette and care for their team. Pastor Tom Laymon shared the story of Janice and his son Alazar and how Jesus changed Alazar's heart. Volunteers exercised unused muscles while attempting to keep up with the energy of so many young people, but what a joy it was to see the campers' smiles. Although basketball camp only lasted from Monday through Friday, dozens of lives were changed for eternity.

So, while we put away our basketballs for another year, we are already planning for next year's camp and invite you to dust off your gym shoes and gather your sweat bands to join us as we share ball skills and life skills with these wonderful kids.



Time to Learn



Nice Shot

Special Thanks



&
New Castle Walmart
&

Lunches Provided By

Bear Chick-Fil-A. The Well in Hockessin,
Pat's Pizza Concord Pike in Wilmington,
Qdoba on Concord Pike in Wilmington,

SBM's Chef Joey

Snacks Provided By

Rita's Italian Ice in Newark Shopping
Center, Philly Pretzel Factory Naamans
Road Wilmington



Fun time with Drills

You Want to Help

Rev. Tom Laymon

- You care about that homeless man or woman that you see under the bridge, especially when the weather turns cold and stormy. You care about that homeless vet who is asking for help by the intersection.

- You care when you see the makeshift tents and shacks.

- You care about the hungry homeless lining up for meals at Sunday Breakfast Mission or other places.

You see them in all kinds of circumstances and all kinds of conditions. Some obviously have significant mental health issues. Some, really most, have addiction issues that may have started early in their lives, even before the age of twelve. All have situations where their relationships with family, friends, even the government have been strained and broken. Like the strings of a net they fall through when those strings break.

What can YOU do? Should you hand them money? Should you give them food? Should you give them the coat off your back? Should you put them in your car and take them to someplace like the Mission?

Let's start with the last one. The answer is NO! Do not put them in your vehicle, even if through repetition of visual presence, it seems you know them. You don't. Let the police gently handle that if they are in trouble. They will get them to us or somewhere appropriate.

Secondly, don't give them money. It is



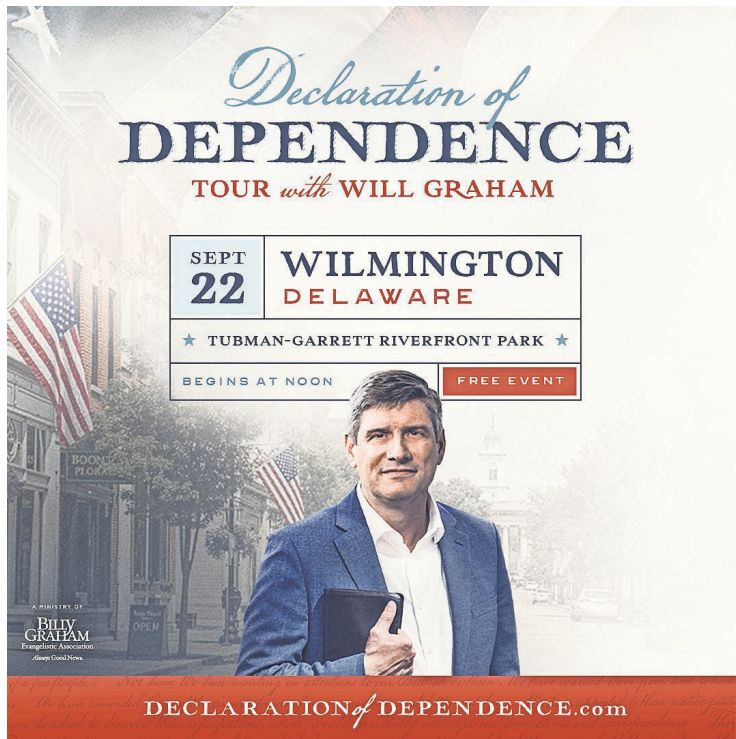
often used to keep them in their addictions which are many.

If they are asking for food, I have often given food. But don't do it next to places where they already get free food, and there are many. No one needs to go hungry.

Be street smart and really help! Do give directions like the address of the Mission.

Sometimes when it's cold or rainy cold or wet weather, gear is helpful. But in the winter do not give out blankets because it persuades people to stay out when in fact it's dangerous. Then call the police to help them get into a warm place.

Above all, remember, Sunday Breakfast Mission has been here since 1893 providing all these things wrapped in the love of God and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please continue to help us minister to the hungry, homeless and hurting. And may God richly bless you!



Will Graham is coming to Downtown Wilmington

Sunday Breakfast Mission is excited to announce and participate with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association to bring the Declaration of Dependence Tour with Will Graham to Wilmington's Tubman-Garrett Park on the Riverfront, September 22nd at Noon to lead in prayer for our nation.

BGEA says:

As the United States continues its year-long semi quincennial celebration, evangelist Will Graham is encouraging people across the country to return to the biblical roots that have anchored this nation from its founding and remember their reliance upon God. Graham is taking that message to the original 13 colonies this fall during the recently-announced *Declaration of Dependence Tour*.

The 13-city effort will begin on Sept. 15 in Plymouth, Massachusetts, and culminate on Oct. 30 in Savannah, Georgia. Each stop of the *Declaration of Dependence Tour* will feature live music by Josh Haven, pray, and an evangelistic message from Will Graham – son of Franklin Graham and grandson of Billy Graham.

“As we commemorate our country's 250th birthday, it is important to once again recognize that all we have has been given to us by God. I feel a burden to call our nation back to the Lord and am looking forward to visiting all 13 of the original colonies for the *Declaration of Dependence Tour*”, said Graham. “Together, we will cry out to our Savior on behalf of the United States – thanking Him for His faithfulness, acknowledging our dependence on Him, and seeking His continued blessing in the years to come.”

Each stop of the *Declaration of Dependence Tour* will take place at noon, and last roughly one hour. The official tour location is Wilmington, Delaware – September 22nd.

Watch our website at www.sundaybreakfastmission.org to see details as they come. Come pray with us!



Gathering for Back-to-School

Full of Sunshine during Back-to-School

Every year on the 2nd Saturday in August fun, laughter, and joy fill the parking lot of EDiS Company on Wilmington's Riverfront. It is time for Sunday Breakfast Mission's Back-to-School Rally when SBM not only equips our area children with backpacks and school supplies so that they return to school with the tools that they need but we share about God's love for them to equip them for life.

Although summer passes very quickly, before we realize it, pens, pencils, notebooks and backpacks are being donated in abundance to Sunday Breakfast Mission. Because of your generous donations, children from K-8th grade received school supplies. When the school doors open, they are ready to walk in and get back to their "reading, writing, and arithmetic"! Because of you, hundreds of backpacks were distributed and over 15 kids asked Jesus to come into their hearts.

SBM is blessed to help so many families meet the needs of their students. We appreciate the many volunteers from area churches, corporations, and individuals who help by donating items, filling backpacks and volunteering during the Back-to-School Event. When you bless us with your donations and volunteer time, we can together bless the children in our community with the supplies they need for a great start to the new school year.



Wonderful Day



Which Backpack to Choose?

When you bless SBM ... we can together bless the children in our community!



Plenty of Backpacks

A Helping Hand

A large ministry only works when tasks are divided into “small bites”. It takes a lot of hands to get the job done and we are so appreciative of our vital volunteers. People come and give us a few hours out of their day to help with preparing and serving meals, completing administrative tasks, assisting operations in our thrift store and many other essential functions that keep Sunday Breakfast Mission “firing on all cylinders”. Throughout the day, every day, people join us to help accomplish day-to-day functions at the mission. “Many hands make light work” the traditional proverb goes. We are so appreciative of all the hands that come together to bless us at SBM. Helping is investing. When you volunteer, you are investing in God’s Kingdom. You are joining us to show the love of Jesus in real, practical ways to the hurting and needy of our community. Your time investing in SBM restores lives and builds hope. Jesus said, “...what-ever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” So, when you come to help serve a hot meal to a hungry person, assist a young, single mom with a food box, clean and paint walls, wash beds and mats or even help with the mundane administrative tasks that sustain us, you are serving Jesus.

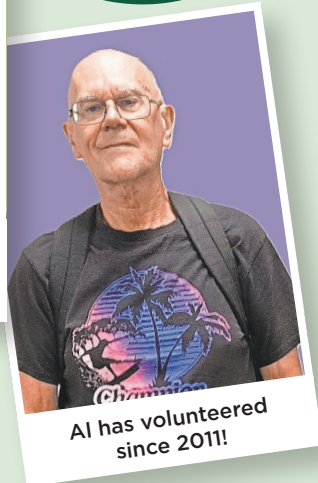
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Kingdom!**



Steve started to
volunteer this year.



Hazel has been
volunteering
for 6 years.



Al has volunteered
since 2011!

SUNDAY BREAKFAST NEEDS HELP

Clean (Vacuum and dust and other odd jobs)

Driver (Starting in October to pick up food at WSFS locations)

Haircuts (Volunteers usually cut hair on a Sunday afternoon)

Office (Stuff envelopes)

Update (Work with Excel)

FILL OUT AN ONLINE APPLICATION AT
**[https://sundaybreakfastmission.org/
get-involved/volunteer-application](https://sundaybreakfastmission.org/get-involved/volunteer-application)**

The Corporate Connection

Sunday Breakfast Mission is located on the southeast side of downtown Wilmington and if we look out from our front door, we look at towers of business offices. As we go further into town there are more. Then as we head north, south or west there are more buildings with more offices from the legal industry, the banking industry, the chemical industry and everything else.

You may be in one of those. That makes you a prime candidate to not just bring yourself but your office to volunteer some hours to help at Sunday Breakfast Mission. You and your office can help us sort, clean, cook, do yard-work; and collect food, hygiene items, coats, underwear, boots and shoes for all the homeless men, women, boys and girls.

Without you and your coworkers, we just can't get enough done. Hundreds eat meals with us every day and hundreds depend upon us to provide safe shelter with showers and care.

Your demonstration of care and concern will say so much about you and your company.

Remember too that since we take no government funds, we need to have folks to advocate on our behalf with their corporations.

**Your office
can help
hundreds!**

**Please call me,
Rev. Tom Laymon, at
Sunday Breakfast Mission
302-656-8542**



NEEDED!

**If you are looking for a way to help
the people who come to the mission,
NEW pillows, twin XL sheets, and
towels are always needed.**

*Donations can be sent to
110 N. Poplar St. • Wilmington, DE 19801*

Urban Vintage – Ministers in an unexpected way

Sunday Breakfast Mission's Urban Vintage Thrift store serves several critical functions. It helps provide an opportunity for the New Life Program participants to transition to independent, addiction-free living; access to affordable goods for the community; and diverse revenue stream for Sunday Breakfast operations.

We recently learned from a regular generous donor that donating her unneeded usable items to Urban Vintage is helping her to overcome her hoarder tendencies. She admits that she can be a hoarder. God has been working in her life helping her break this cycle of wanting to keep things and living in disarray. She has been convicted that having “stuff” piled around her house is not God-honoring. Seeing that God made and designed the universe in a methodical and orderly fashion, she

believes that we too should live in an orderly fashion.

With God's help, she is cleaning out her house, one box at a time. She feels blessed that Urban Vintage, with its helpful staff, is available to be used as a tool to help organize her life, overcome a harmful habit, and praise God for healing all at the same time.

Urban Vintage is not only helping people that choose to join the New Life Program but also helping people outside the mission. You can be a part of this ministry too! Bring your usable items, clothing, furniture, housewares, etc. to Urban Vintage. Receive a blessing by donating.



\$10 towards purchase

CANNOT BE REDEEMED FOR CASH.
NO CASH BACK
Offer good until November 14, 2026

Urban Vintage

A Ministry of Sunday Breakfast Mission

Some Gifts Are Meant to Be Shared

Allen Levi challenged himself to write a full-length novel. It took a few years, but he accomplished the goal. He then put the book in a drawer and moved on to the next thing.

The story doesn't end there. At the suggestion of friends, Allen self-published the book, and Theo of Golden made its debut in 2023. Word began to spread about this story of generosity, faith, and connection. By early 2026, it had reached #1 on the New York Times bestseller list. The pet project Allen once put aside has resonated with countless people. And that's what matters most to him. As his niece told The Washington Post, "If someone reads something that he writes, and it has an impact on them and in his mind pushes them closer to encountering ... God, then to him that's the win."

If you've been saving money in a donor advised fund (DAF), consider this your invitation to pull it out of the metaphorical drawer and make a difference today. Here's how:

Remember your "why." You had a vision when you started your DAF. Maybe it involved the flexibility to grow funds and give generously. Or perhaps you had ministries in mind through which you can impact lives. Refocus on those plans and priorities.

Give today. Discover what your favorite ministries are doing that align with your vision, then make a DAF gift to transform lives right now.

Create a plan. Your DAF giving can continue after your lifetime. List Sunday Breakfast Mission as a beneficiary of your DAF account and provide ongoing support for our work.

For the full version of this article, request our FREE resource "From Good Intentions to Great Impact in 3 Simple Steps" by contacting Rev. Tom Laymon at (302) 656-8542, ext. 103 or tlaymon@sundaybreakfastmission.org

Create a will that honors your faith and family by visiting sundaybreakfastmission.legacywill.org



Please Mark Your Calendars



When you volunteer, you give hope and help to friends and neighbors.

Food Box Packing Help is needed from the end of October until the 2nd week of November
(Help packing/sorting food for boxes)

Evangelism Training November 19 (Thursday) 5-7pm dinner included - all invited

Food Box Distribution ..November 23 & 24 (Monday & Tuesday)

THANKSGIVING Day ...November 26 (various times)

Christmas Shop December 16, 17, 18 9a-4p (various times)

To help, go to Get Involved on Sunday Breakfast Mission website and click volunteer application.

<https://sundaybreakfastmission.org/get-involved/volunteer-application>

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DONATE YOUR VEHICLE TODAY

To donate your vehicle:

Go to

www.sundaybreakfastmission.org

and click "Ways to Give"



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families would not have had a Thanksgiving Day celebration. Unfortunately, the need grows every year. Now more than ever before, we need your

help. Our desire is to share the love of Christ as well as a good old-fashioned Thanksgiving meal with even more families in Wilmington. We need your help!

NEEDS LIST:

- Boxed Stuffing Mix
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Soup
- Gravy Mix
- Cranberry Sauce
- Instant Potatoes
- Mac and Cheese
- Various Pasta
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Sweet Potatoes
- Canned Meats
- Boxed Cereal
- Boxed Stuffing Mix
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Pancake Mix & Syrup
- Rice
- Pie Filling & Canned Fruit



THANK YOU in advance for your generosity!

**Donate a Turkey by
dropping it off at
110 N. Poplar St.,
Wilmington, DE 19801**



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.

110 N. Poplar Street Wilmington, DE 19801

P.O. Box 352 Wilmington, DE 19899

(877) 306-4663

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Sunday Breakfast Mission Donation Form

Here's my tax-deductible gift to help Sunday Breakfast Mission bring shelter, nutritious meals and life-changing recovery programs to the homeless and impoverished of greater Wilmington and lower Delaware Valley.

___ \$25 ___ \$50 ___ \$150 ___ \$200 ___ \$ Other Amount

___ Check Is Enclosed ___ Please Charge My Credit Card

Card Number _____ EXP. Date ____ \ ____

Security Code _____ (On Card Reverse)

___ Set me up as a Monthly Donor and Charge my Credit Card

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Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Email _____

YOUR GIFT IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE. YOU WILL BE SENT A RECEIPT FOR YOUR RECORDS. PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SUNDAY BREAKFAST MISSION

To designate your United Way giving to Sunday Breakfast Mission, use
United Way code: 9141