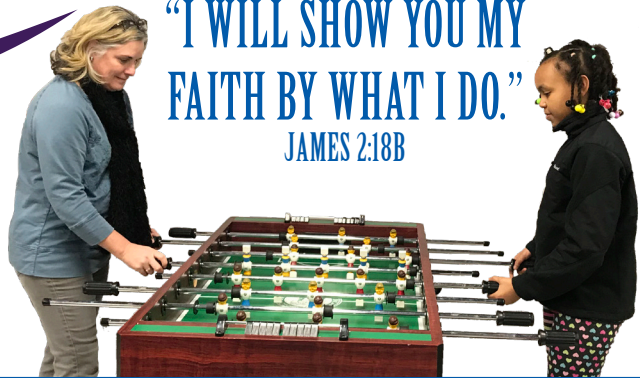




*I found out I was actually good at pool. I liked that we can all come together and relate a little.*  
**Kentarious,  
Altgeld Gardens  
Community**



**“I WILL SHOW YOU MY  
FAITH BY WHAT I DO.”**  
JAMES 2:18B



*I've never seen such big buildings. I'm used to apple trees!*  
**Kayl,  
Hopkins Park  
Community**

# IT'S MORE THAN JUST FIREWOOD

by Rich VanTil, Executive Director

The wood lot is an important part of what Faith and Action does. Three years ago, we had a vision to find a way to provide transitional employment while at the same time provide mentoring and discipleship. Thanks be to God, this vision has become a successful reality! In fact, we currently are blessed to have 30 retailers partnering with us! To keep up with increased demand, we welcome the opportunity to impact more lives by doubling our workforce!

Our employees come to us as the result of making bad choices often caused by the lack of good counsel. In addition to providing community service hours and employment, we are able to mentor and help many men. This includes things such as going to court with them, helping them find a place to live, providing rides, and teaching them wise decision making and fiscal responsibility. As Jesus did with his disciples, volunteers and staff pour into our employees simply

by working together, eating together, and hanging out together. Lunch and coffee around the fire are amazing teaching moments for men that have never had someone willing to share life experiences.

In addition to our current employees, we continue to walk alongside former employees in their life journey. Many of them are now maintaining full time jobs, attending church, and learning what it takes to live on their own. Please pray for Faith and Action's

current and former woodlot employees that they will be open to spiritual guidance and counsel.

Would you help us continue to make a difference? Please pray for the ministry, think about becoming a volunteer, and consider making a special monetary gift to help us cover additional expenses.



*"I have personally seen young men's lives transformed into having better attitudes, being more responsible, and having a greater outlook on life thanks to employment and the men overseeing them at the wood lot." Jackie*

# BECAUSE OF YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND GOD'S LEADING, FAITH AND ACTION IS IMPACTING MORE LIVES THAN EVER!

*Faith and Action is always there, helping in any situation. They inspire me to be a better person – kind of like a ray of sunshine on a gray day. **Stacy***

*I met Rich in the middle of winter and we had just become homeless. He helped my family by giving us coats and scarves, food, and rides to church. He made sure we were okay and had everything we needed. Even though we hadn't ever gone to church, we like it and make sure we go every Sunday. Rich is a great man of God and he's been a great help for my family. I don't think we would be the family we are today if it wasn't for Rich. **Myah***

*Going to the game night was fun because I got to do things I normally couldn't do inside my house. **Timiah***

*I really appreciate and am happy to support Faith and Action. The whole crew works really hard to create an environment for the kids to learn about the love Jesus has for them, all while learning to work hard and have fun at the same time. **Lori***



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# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

## URBAN GARDEN AND MORE

*Join us as we work in the Crete urban garden followed by a fun event.*

*No garden experience needed and all ages welcome!*

**Exact dates and times to be determined.**

## ROSELAND SUMMER DAY PROGRAM

*Crafts, Games, Bible Lessons, and More!*

*Carpool available to our day programs in Roseland.*

**10am – 12:00pm**

July 10, July 24,

August 7, August 21

## SERVE SATURDAY

*Cut, split, and wrap wood (no heavy lifting required) at our post prison ministry.*

*Volunteers required to be 13 and up.*

**8am – Noon (Come and go as needed!)**

May 4, June 1, July 6, August 3, September 7

## FOOD DISTRIBUTION IN ROSELAND

*Interact and serve a hot meal to the Roseland Community.*

**1:30-3:00pm**

May 19, June 16, July 21, August 18

## ANNUAL BANQUET

November 21, 2019

***Can't help at an event? Sign up to provide lunch or bake for an event!***

*Please visit*

**WWW.FAITHANDACTIONONLINE.ORG**

*for up-to-date information, more details, and to sign up to volunteer.*

**Questions? Contact Jodi at 708-932-8246**

*Dates were accurate at time of press but are subject to change.*

# SUPPORT THE MINISTRY MONTHLY

**No amount is too small to make a difference!  
Sign up today for automatic credit card  
withdrawals and impact many lives!  
[faithandaction.info@gmail.com](mailto:faithandaction.info@gmail.com)**

SAVE THE DATE  
FOR  
**Summer Fes**

*Faith*  
**Action**

**JULY 20, 2019**

**CAR CRUISE  
TOUCH-A-TRUCK  
OLLIE BOLEN  
LUNCH ITEMS  
& MUCH MORE!**

