

Apostle Paul says in Philippians 1:3-5, "I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now." As I write, I am feeling the same emotions for each of you. I am grateful for your many years of faithful support and prayers as we continue to transform lives through mentoring, job opportunities, and support services.

## MENTORING

A mentoring relationship is an opportunity for learning and growth. Over the past year, we've encouraged this by delivering packages that introduce new concepts children can do safely within their own home. These deliveries may include ingredients to make nacho dip, puppy chow, or homemade pizza; supplies to make snow paint and snow ice cream to promote outdoor play; or a simple craft, game or word search puzzle to help reduce screen time. Our care package deliveries inspire hope, build friendships, promote the gospel, and bring LOTS of smiles.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Lives are being changed through our transitional employment ministry. Men are developing a strong work ethic, learning to run and maintain equipment, and understanding the importance of getting to work on time. They are quite proud of themselves when they beat me there! More importantly, they are growing spiritually through morning devotions, Friday Bible Study, and our one-on-one mentoring program. Hearing the guys' powerful intercessory prayers in the morning sets the tone for the day and has personally impacted me.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

Relationships begin by assisting with individuals' daily needs. Over this past winter season, we distributed hundreds of winter coats and accessories to families living in high-risk neighborhoods. As we reach out, we often find that God has a much bigger plan than we could ever imagine. In fact, we are now mentoring an extended family of seven that we met while distributing coats.

Thank you for your steadfast partnership in sharing the gospel. **On behalf of those we serve. THANK YOU.** 

Rich Van Til, Executive Director

"I will show you my faith by what I do." James 2:18b



"I AM THANKFUL FOR THE THINGS YOU BRING US. WHEN WE ARE DOWN, YOU CHEER US UP." - JADAKISS





