

# GOD IS ALWAYS AT WORK

He is always working to draw people to Himself. He has designed and planned this "job" from the very beginning with His divine blueprints. DayBreak is one of His "job sites" as He is clearly "at work" in Lincoln Heights and is changing people's lives.

While He is fully capable of doing the whole work Himself, He chooses instead to use "tools." He calls individuals to join Him and those individuals are DayBreak's volunteers, staff and financial contributors.

What a privilege to be used as a tool in God's work in Lincoln Heights!

"Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."  
1 Corinthians 15:58

## MISSION

Our mission is to impact Lincoln Heights with the message of Jesus Christ.

## Budget and Finance Highlights

By Lauren Allgood

*For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations, and sing to your name. Psalm 18:49*

Once again, we have watched as God provided for the needs of His work in Lincoln Heights in 2010. We stand in awe of God's grace and mercy and the favor that He continues to show DayBreak as we pursue our mission of impacting Lincoln Heights with the message of Jesus Christ.

As we entered 2010, we knew that a disconnect existed between DayBreak and the parents of the children we serve. Therefore, DayBreak began a concerted effort to come alongside parents by empowering them to play a more active role in their children's faith and academics. We built relationships with the parents by getting to know them and their families and started a weekly adult prayer breakfast. We also became more involved in their education by meeting the students' teachers and getting to know the schools they attend.

Our parents have responded enthusiastically to these efforts by becoming more involved with DayBreak and reinforcing their children's faith at home. Parents attend our prayer breakfast and volunteer to cook dinner for the children. They chaperone field trips, volunteer for large events,

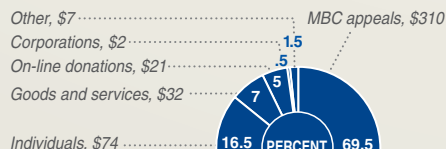
and even allow DayBreak staff to join them for parent-teacher conferences. 2010 was characterized by parent involvement and a focus on partnering with the parents to grow their children spiritually and academically.

God continued to awe us through the contributions of our donors, volunteers and prayer warriors. From a financial perspective, DayBreak has stood at a very stable position throughout the year. During 2010 we received contributions exceeding \$446,000 while expenses totaled \$333,000.

We thank our contributors for their support by providing both financial donations and goods and services. We also thank the DC government for contributing a facility, lovingly named the "Sanctuary" for DayBreak's use in Lincoln Heights. The "Sanctuary" provides a safe and secure place where our dedicated staff and volunteers can provide services to the children and families within the community.

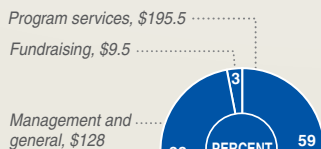
This completes our second year as an integrated auxiliary of McLean Bible Church and through this affiliation we continue to receive the blessing of God in our work. We are blessed by cost savings in the areas of insurance, technical services, and finance—thus decreasing our overall administrative expenses. This savings enables the ministry to provide a greater amount of our funds to support our ministry efforts. The overall financial performance for 2010 was excellent.

### Financial Contributions: \$446 (Thousand \$)



[Grants, \$0]

### Expenditures: \$333<sup>a</sup> (Thousand \$)



<sup>a</sup> Based on Functional Method (without designated fund activity).

Over 400 bags filled with school supplies for DC kids.



Below are some of our tangible accomplishments in 2010:

- Served 20 children daily in our after school program as they receive one-on-one tutoring in reading and help with homework.
- Served 20 adults in a weekly prayer breakfast to teach God's word and build community.
- Served 20 children ages 7–18 in one-on-one long-term mentoring relationships.
- Served 35 children through summer camp.
- Hosted 20 "Fun Friday" field trips to local attractions and educational experiences.
- Provided 200 pairs of shoes through Samaritans Feet to the children in Lincoln Heights.
- Hosted three weeklong mission teams to serve the community and work directly with children.
- Hosted annual Back-to-School Carnival for over 700 adults, children and teens.
- Provided 410 bags of school supplies.
- Delivered 450 turkey dinners to residents of Lincoln Heights and the neighboring community of Richardson Dwelling feeding 4,500 people a Thanksgiving meal.
- Hosted annual Christmas Store allowing over 200 adults to shop for more than 800 children at discounted prices.

Our contributors' generous donations have made both a tangible and a spiritual impact on the lives of the children and families of Lincoln Heights. Every resource provided has enabled our staff to continue pursuing DayBreak's mission. Our staff is dedicated to bring hope to all those we serve on a daily basis and to each member of the community so they will see the love of our Lord in their lives. We thank all our donors for their support and pray they will continue to provide the financial resources to meet our mission.



*DayBreak nearly doubled its number of mentors this year!*



## God's Work in Relationships: Mentoring

By Jeremy McClain

*All Scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16-17*

Mentoring relationships are one of the best ways at DayBreak for kids to receive Christian discipleship. Therefore, in order to serve the Lincoln Heights community more effectively through these relationships, we made minor updates to the Mentoring Program by adding positions within the structure of the program and by improving some of the operations.

I was honored to join the DayBreak Mentoring Leadership Team this year. Having already been a full-time staff member, I strive to bring to this

team an understanding of the dynamics and the needs of the community. New Recruitment Coordinator roles were also added and filled by Kristy Petralia and Arlette Daluz, who have been concentrating their efforts on bringing in fresh, new mentors from a variety of places. These three have been huge assets to the already established team; joining Jon Radke who serves as the Relationship Coach—providing guidance to mentors—and Melissa Ho who serves as the Matching and Screening Coordinator—conducting background checks and matching mentors.

After assessing the needs of the kids, the mentor leadership team decided that changes were needed within the Mentoring Program's operations as well. Mentors will now be required to meet with the child a minimum of two times a month totaling four hours and the relationship

status will now be collected from the mentors using Survey Monkey.

The team has high hopes that these changes will provide the consistency and efficiency needed to help support our mentors. The mentoring program has already seen much improvement this past year. The program has nearly doubled its number of mentors in this year alone compared to the previous six years and is gaining mentors from three different churches. Relationships are being formed, kids are receiving positive influence in their lives and most of all, Christ is being glorified. Please pray that God will bring more mentors to the program so that His Name will be spread throughout all of Lincoln Heights.

## God's Work in the Classroom: Educational Programs

By Andrea Coleman

*Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. Colossians 3:23-24*

Through our educational programs, we are able to invest in the lives of children both academically and spiritually. 2010 was an amazing year of growth in these programs:

### Summer Program

It can be said with confidence that 2010's summer program was one of the best DayBreak summers yet. DayBreak hired six interns who we trained and equipped to teach over 30 first-through-fifth graders. The interns planned and delivered fun and engaging reading and math lessons. Meals were provided daily through our partnership with the Washington, DC Summer Meals Program. Each morning, the children gathered together to sing and dance to worship songs and listen intently as Jeremy gave a Bible lesson. Afternoons were spent taking adventures to the local pool or participating in cooking or art projects. Every Friday, we loaded a school bus headed to fun destinations, including Splash Down Water Park, Six Flags, and the College Park Aviation Museum. The summer was a great opportunity to pour into the children academically and spiritually and have a blast while doing so!

### After School Program

2010 proved to be yet another successful year as each day 20 children stepped through the front door into a safe and welcoming place. They were given a healthy snack, received homework help, and heard the Word of God. Additionally, students participated in a variety of activities and field trips including the continuation of last year's art class and ice skating at the National Gallery of Art. On January 10, 2011, 20 bright and smiling faces came through our doors, ready to embark on yet another fun-filled year. I am filled with excitement as DayBreak enters into yet another year and looks forward with expectancy to what 2011 has in store.

### Tutoring

Once again, God blessed us in 2010 by assembling an amazing team of tutors. If you

walk through the house on a Monday or Tuesday evening, you will find each child receiving one-on-one tutoring. Both Jeremy and I have worked hard to build and maintain relationships with the principals and teachers of two of the schools where most of our students attend. As a result, we have been able to have conversations regarding the areas in which the children are in need and how DayBreak can best assist them. Based on reading assessments and feedback from teachers and parents, many of our students have improved both behaviorally and academically. We hope to enhance our tutoring program as we look at ways in which we can more thoroughly assess our students and continue to provide them with academic support.

*DayBreak's summer program hosted over 30 kids (left) and DayBreak's amazing team of tutors.*



**God's Work in the Community:  
Evangelistic Outreaches**  
By *Becky Weeks*

*Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent." John 6:29*

Our mission is to impact Lincoln Heights with the message of Jesus Christ. We have tried to accomplish this mission in creative and relevant ways in 2010. Here is a look at 2010 in this community:

- One of our greatest outreaches this year was our parent prayer breakfast. Early in the year, we began meeting every other Wednesday for breakfast and a brief Bible study with parents of the children in our After-School Program. However, these parents became hungry for more, not for more breakfast but for more time in the Word of God! We are now meeting weekly and the parents are growing as their hearts are being opened to the truths of the Bible!
- During the school months, we partnered with The Gathering college ministry of McLean Bible Church to hold Saturday Outreaches. Students from multiple college campuses in the area came and led events for children and adults in the community that included Bible lessons, crafts and games, food and fun.
- We had a unique opportunity in May to be part of a community block party sponsored by the 6th District police department called "Beat the Streets." As a part of the event, we opened our doors to a ministry called Samaritan's Feet.

Volunteers washed children's feet while sharing the Gospel message with them and then providing them with a new pair of shoes.

- Every August, the children of this community need school supplies for the new school year. We worked to meet this need by collecting donations of school supplies to be given to children at our August Back-to-School Carnival. We had food, games, rides and a chance to win tickets to be used to purchase a bag of school supplies. Most importantly, we had opportunities for people to hear the message of Jesus Christ through our volunteers and through music. It was a beautiful day and the name of Jesus Christ was heard by many! Over 700 people were in attendance throughout the day and over 400 bags of school supplies were "bought"!
- The Fuel and Focus ministries of McLean Bible Church came in September to reach out to the community through a pancake breakfast complete with a Gospel choir.
- Every year, we are blessed to be able to partner with McLean Bible Church's Turkey Outreach. This year, they generously gave us 450 turkey dinners (enough to feed 4,500 people) and we gave out every box in Lincoln Heights and beyond! On November 20, over 100 volunteers came to DayBreak and helped us deliver turkeys to residents. Not only did they make the deliveries, but they also took



*DayBreak partnered with McLean Bible Church to distribute 450 turkey dinners at Thanksgiving.*

the time to pray with residents and talk with them about Jesus Christ. 450 households were blessed with physical food but were also introduced to or reminded of Jesus, the Bread of Life!

- In December, our annual Christmas Store event gave almost 200 families a chance to purchase brand new gifts at very affordable prices—90 percent off! While they were waiting to shop in the store, we made sure they had a chance to hear about the greatest Christmas gift of all, Jesus Christ. We offered a one-person skit with a Gospel message and placed volunteers in the waiting room to talk with the parents about the real meaning of Christmas. We pray that the parents were blessed and encouraged through this event!

God's work in Lincoln Heights in 2010 was amazing and we are excited to see more in 2011!

**NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR**

Thank you for your generous support of DayBreak Ministries and the people of Lincoln Heights. With my first year on staff under my belt, I have been both encouraged by what the Lord is doing in the community and also challenged to bring the hope of Christ to every individual in Lincoln Heights. The Lord has great plans for this community, and I'm expecting great things for the future. We covet your prayers, thank you for your generous contributions, and look forward to continuing our work together in Lincoln Heights. My message to you is that of Paul's to the church in Philippi: "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." Philippians 1:3-5

*Lauren Allgood*

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