

CONVICTED BY CHRIST 2024 ANNUAL REPORT



LETTER FROM THE BOARD

Dear Valued Friends and Supporters,

The board of Convicted By Christ (CBC) wants to express its deepest gratitude for your generous support throughout the year. Your contributions have been instrumental in the following:

- Hiring more Byron's House of Hope (BHH) staff.
- Increasing the number of beds at BHH.
- Continued renovations to BHH.
- Providing aftercare assistance to past BHH graduates.
- Providing benevolence requests for the men who attend CBC's Thursday night meetings.
- Increasing Sparks staff due to the increased number of children attending Sparks on Thursday nights.
- Providing full meals each week for the children of Sparks.

Your gift has directly impacted 15 men taken into BHH over the past year along with 6 of those men participating in the aftercare assistance program. We are incredibly proud of the positive changes we have been able to accomplish together.

As we look forward to the coming new year, your continued support will be vital in maintaining our accomplishments and completing future goals. We are committed to remaining transparent and accountable to our donors, and we will continue to work tirelessly to maximize the impact of every dollar given.

Thank you again for your unwavering commitment to Convicted By Christ, Byron's House of Hope, and Sparks Children Ministry.

Sincerely,

Brian Myers,
Executive Director/Pastor
Board of Convicted By Christ

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FULFILLING THE MISSION

Since 2011 Convicted By Christ (CBC) embraced a unique mission to provide a place of healing for men coming out of jail and prison. Co-Founder Brian Myers consistently expresses the provision God has given this special ministry with an increasing wisdom and insight to provide healing for men each year. It is difficult to believe CBC began with just a handful of men seeking to reinforce their relationship and build their identity in Christ.

Over the past thirteen years, CBC has impacted many needing support to godly men establishing a place to serve Christ. We went from weekly support meetings, prison and jail ministry, to building a residential reentry program for men who are reintegrating to society. All these wonderful works could not be possible without all who were called to give to this ministry.

The ministry of CBC has no easy task when it comes to God's work but suppose that is God's will and love, that all may have the opportunity to know Him and His saving grace. Over the years CBC has learned that jail and prison may be God's tool to get men's attention. However, it is also a place for the enemy to do further harm and lead men further into darkness.

Problems With Incarceration:

- Seen as a substitute to treatment for people with mental health and substance use disorders.
- The longer one is in prison the more violent one becomes.
- Lack of funding, has lead to unsafe working conditions in prisons and lack of rehabilitation programs increase criminality.
- It costs taxpayers more money to keep people in prison than to provide necessary resources to help them stay out of prison.



OUR PROGRESS

Joining Brethren In Christ World Missions (BIC)

We are pleased to join the mission field with Brethren In Christ World Missions. The CBC board entered discussion and prayer in becoming part of BIC. As previously mentioned, CBC has grown from a support meeting for men to a church that has many operations requiring Godly leadership and security for the future. The CBC Board voted unanimously and are excited of how BIC can help sustain the growing need for our mission.

Picture Right: Bishop Ron gives the word at CBC's Thursday night meeting



Technology

This year we have continued building on our social media outreach by being more active on our web based platforms, highlighting key messages and testimonies. These tools have allowed us to reach others and build relationships with our supporters around the country and impact others in our community.

Picture Left: A social media follower stated he saw CBC's Baptism Service and came out to get baptized.



Faith Like a Mustard Seed

This year SPARKS has continued to provide healthy fun & biblical guidance to children of Isaiah Ladies and CBC groups. A major highlight was an opportunity to participate in baptisms. Children were educated on baptism and the symbolism it represents with several children deciding to get baptized.



Brian & Rochelle baptizing at CBC's annual baptism service.



Children gathered at Brian & Rochelle's house for smores, hotdogs, & pumpkin carving.



Children working at SPARKS Thursday night group.



DONOR BANQUET

Each year we are honored by the graceful giving of our donors who contribute to the success of CBC. Our donor appreciation banquet has been a small token of our gratitude. This year we invited two guest speakers to share how our ministry has impacted them. Paul Begay (pictured right), shared how Thursday night men's support meeting help established him in his recovery of 8 years.



Carolyn Evans, (Pictured right) Isaiah 42:16 Prison Ministries, interacts with current BHH men at the Donor Banquet. Carolyn has ministered to countless men and women in prison and out of prison. Carolyn oversees Isaiah Ladies Recovery God's Way group that occurs the same time as CBC every Thursday.



Paul West, (pictured left) but most revered as Chaplin West, looks on with his wife Doris at the Donor Banquet. Chaplin West's influence in CBC and BHH has been undoubtedly tremendous. Our guest speaker, Paul Begay, expressed his gratitude to Chaplin West's guidance while incarcerated, eventually leading him to find support at CBC when he was released from the local detention center.



Picture Left:

Brian Myers (CBC Co-Founder), Trinity Begay (CBC Vice-President), and Luke reunite after CBC Donor Banquet. Luke graduated from BHH in late 2019 and has been a great example of what BHH has set out to do. After the Banquet, Luke took a late night tour of BHH and expressed his amazement of how the program has grown over the years.

BYRON'S HOUSE OF HOPE

In Full Stride

Our supporters know we have been working hard on getting our current facility in working order after moving in 4 years ago. Since we moved in we have had electrical repairs, sewer line repairs, fire sprinkler systems installed, updated our kitchen, added an office, and made more room for expanding our program for added support through our aftercare program.

This past year we were able to continue improving additional space for our aftercare program, and get a roof upgrade. Brian Myers' home church gracefully raised funds and brought a mission team to build us a fancy new shed/workout room.



Aftercare Program

Since Byron's House of Hope opened its program in 2018 it has been learning and growing. We initially partnered with People Assisting The Homeless (PATH) which limited the program's ability to develop policy, but gave time to build the program's vital components. In 2020, we moved into our own facility which allowed BHH to build its program policy. The transition came with challenges with ensuring appropriate staffing and property maintenance.

This year BHH accomplished a milestone of increasing admittance to program to 16 men from 10 men. We also began looking at long-term success with tracking BHH graduates and their transition out of the program. Our focus on long-term success led to launching a aftercare programming with men who completed the six-month program. We expanded and prepared two additional beds, including a room for peer-support.

MIGHTY MEN OF GOD

Our Instructors

We are pleased to highlight our hardworking volunteers who teach the men of BHH.



ROGER
INSTRUCTOR

"Jesus said, 'Go and make disciples, teaching them...' I'm here at BHH because of JESUS!"



PHIL
INSTRUCTOR

"My trust in the Lord lets me put the needs of others up in front of myself."



RALPH
INSTRUCTOR

"Lend a helping hand where I can"



STEVE
INSTRUCTOR

"To lend a helping hand! To bless others as I have been blessed."



SCOTT
INSTRUCTOR

"I like to teach identity to the BHH men because I want them to experience the freedom that can only come through Jesus Christ."



KEITH
INSTRUCTOR

"Jesus has always put my heart for the prisoners and I was differently led to BHH. And they're helping me with my walk with CHRIST"



NAPOLEAN
INSTRUCTOR

"Love cannot be understood with the mind. It can only be enjoyed by the heart. So when chasing after the Father's heart, love is revealed in and through his people."



BOB
INSTRUCTOR

"I love teaching these men to have a deeper walk with our Lord and Saviour and to be comfortable in their new status of sons of God."

Peer Mentors

Our aftercare program has allowed us to call men to a higher calling by being a BHH mentor which includes helping incoming men find their place and lead a bible study. Adrian is our current peer mentor. Joshua S. and Joshua D. are past mentors.



JOSHUA S.



JOSHUA D.



ADRIAN

BYRON'S HOUSE OF HOPE TRANSITIONAL-LIVING PROGRAM STATISTICS

FY2022: Men Admitted to BHH Program (Oct 2021-Oct 2022)



FY2022 yearly goal to admit 10 men.

- 10 out of 10 men were successfully admitted.
- 8 out of the 10 men successfully completed.
- 2 out of 10 men returned to prison while in program.

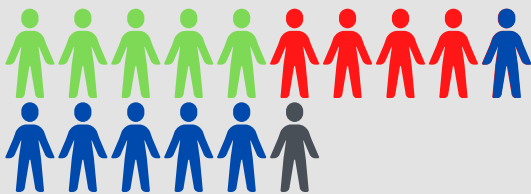
FY2023: Men Admitted to BHH Program (Nov 2022-Oct 2023)



FY2023 yearly goal to admit 10 men.

- 11 out of 10 men were successfully admitted.
- 9 out of the 11 men successfully completed.
- 2 out of 10 men were unsuccessfully discharged.

FY 2024: Men Admitted BHH Program (Nov 2023-Oct 2024)



FY2024 yearly goal to admit 16 men.

- 15 out of 16 men were successfully admitted.
- 5 out of the 15 men successfully completed.
- 4 out of 15 men were unsuccessfully discharged.
- 3 men rearrested and 1 man absconded.
- 6 out of 15 men are currently in the program.

BHH Addressing Long Term Success

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) defines “recidivism” as a return to criminal behavior resulting in rearrest, reconviction, or return to incarceration. The NIJ published national statistics of recidivism from a 9 year study that begin in 2005. The study showed that 82% of state prisoners released were rearrested in the first 3 years. Experts conclude that at-risk environment are a determining factor in recidivism rates.

Since FY2022, BHH has focused on program improvements to ensure long-term success by monitoring men for 3 year periods. For FY2022, two graduates have had successful outcomes for the 3 years. Two men have more than 2 years of success. Two graduates returned to substance use within their first year and have had negative legal consequences. One graduate was murdered within his first year.

Overall, BHH has seen the NIJ conclusion of at-risk environments as a major challenge for men. Substance use has been a primary challenge, however we have discovered BHH’s good rapport with men allow us to guide men to healthier choices. Our rapport helped established our temporary emergency shelter program by helping a past graduate regain his stability by removing him from his at-risk environment. Next, BHH launched its aftercare programming to allow men to voluntarily remain in the facility for 1-3 month increments. Aftercare is aimed at increasing time in sobriety and building resources for a healthier transition.

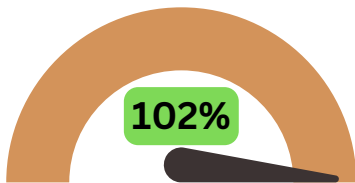


- 2 men have utilized our emergency temporary shelter program
- 3 men have opted to utilize our aftercare program

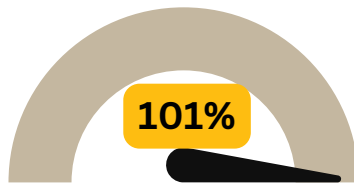
CONVICTED BY CHRIST FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FY2023

Revenue



Expenses



FY2023 Revenue

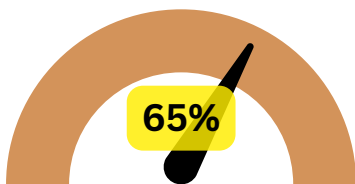
- Projected Revenue Budget \$178,650
- Actual Revenue Budget \$182,730

FY2023 Operating Expense

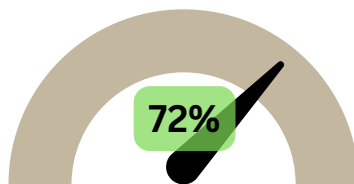
- Projected Operating Expense Budget \$178,650
- Actual Operating Expense Budget \$180,834

FY2024

Revenue



Expenses



FY2024 Revenue

- Projected Revenue Budget \$199,800
- Actual Revenue Budget \$130,616***

FY2024 Operating Expense

- Projected Operating Expense Budget \$199,800
- Actual Operating Expense Budget \$143,627***

***As of 9/30/2024



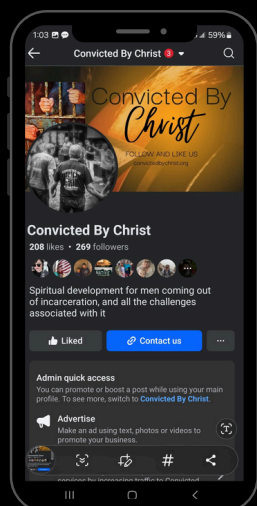
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