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CEO’S CORNER

Our students are dreamers! Kesley Green is a dream come true. At 22 years old, she completed her first amazing year of medical school at Howard University in Washington, DC. Her accomplishments are great. Jalen Carter, Tony Taylor and Amari Smith are high achievers. All three are in the 11th grade relishing their enjoyable completion of a two week summer program, TRAILHEAD at Westmont College in Santa Barbara. Malik McCullough is in the 10th grade. He is encouraged to work diligently in the Student Advocacy program. Advocate Carl Steel is celebrated for his many contributions to the programs of Eagle Empowerment. The success of Youth Tour 2017, (Black History and Civil Rights) was exceptional. Students gained knowledge and experienced many “firsts.”

KESLEY GREEN’S TRIUMPHANT JOURNEY



Kesley Green

Kesley Green grew up in the Watts community of Los Angeles, California. She was nurtured by grandfather, Prince Lee during her pre-school years. During this time her mother, Carla served in the military. Kesley was a participant during Youth Tour 2005. She was 11 years old and in the 5th grade. She was inspired to dream and believe she could accomplish her dreams. Kesley was always an outstanding student. She attended King/Drew Magnet High School of Medicine and Science and was admitted to Howard University where she received her undergraduate degree. Her academics throughout high school indicated that she would be a high achiever.

Kesley accepted the challenge and applied to medical school. She had a successful first year. Her triumphant journey touches many lives. To her peers she is an inspiration. To the younger generation she is magnificent. They all see her as a role model. Kesley is forever grateful for the early years of family prayer, support, educational enlightenment and spiritual encouragement which

keeps her dreaming and believing that nothing in life is impossible. We salute Kesley Green!

EARLY COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

It was a tremendous surprise when Jalen Carter, Amari Smith and Tony Taylor received word that they were nominated to attend Westmont College this summer. All three were accepted to the TRAILHEAD: Seeking God’s Call program. Each are in the 11th grade and maintain exceptional academics. Jalen completed the 10th grade with all A’s. Amari enjoyed a year of volunteer service to the community and Tony continues to dream of becoming an engineer. They were elated to have this early college experience. Attending a four year college and beyond is the goal of each student.

All three participated in educational tours of Eagle Empowerment. Jalen and Tony were among students in 2015 who traveled cross country for 42 days from Los Angeles to Augusta, Maine on a luxury motor coach. Their responsibilities included mentoring younger students. They were amazed to be able to endure this six week intensive tour. Amari was among students who traveled to the nation of Belize during Youth Tour 2012. This international adventure continues to impact her life. She is determined to become a global traveler! Amari also served as a mentor for Youth Tour 2017.



Jalen, Amari, and Tony

Tony is completing his education at Hawthorne High School. Jalen and Amari are continuing their studies at Da Vinci Communications High School. Chemistry, Engineering Design and Chess were among Amari’s favorite classes last year. Jalen was a standout in Algebra, Chemistry, Cinematic Arts, English and Computer Science & Software Engineering. Jalen excels in math and science with a determination to become an engineer. The lives of these students were transformed during their participation in the TRAILHEAD program. Meeting and becoming friends with peers from different parts of our nation and world was inspiring. Blending God and education was motivating and insightful. Amari, Jalen and Tony returned home with determination to embrace God and study with intense focus.

STUDENT ADVOCACY-LEARNING TOGETHER



Malik & Carl Steel

Carl Steel is a phenomenal mentor and advocate. He has a passion for the success of children. He is a father and grand father of three. Carl volunteers to aid in enhancing the lives of children in Eagle Empowerment's programs. He dedicated his time and talent for the last four years and serves faithfully in the Student Advocacy program. He loves to see students excel.

Carl's choice was to assist a single mother with three children, two sons and one daughter. He committed to pour his time and talents into the lives of her sons. Young Malik, the youngest was Carl's student last academic year. Malik is now in the 10th grade destined for greatness.

One remarkable adventure for Carl Steel was his leadership during Youth Tour 2015. This was our 42 day cross-country tour from Los Angeles to Augusta, Maine. He was an outstanding mentor to the young boys. Their conduct and personal grooming was enhanced. The students were challenged by the exemplary discipline administered by this retired Los Angeles police officer.

The Board of Directors was elated when Carl accepted the invitation to serve as a chaperone for Youth Tour 2017. He admitted experiencing a sense of sadness when his commitment ended. There was a bonding with students that will last a lifetime. Carl admits that he is learning as he serve to empower students. One huge lesson is patience. Manifesting forbearance with students who resist discipline is difficult at times, yet it's worth the success one witnesses in each student's life.

YOUTH TOUR 2017 BLACK HISTORY & CIVIL RIGHTS

July 18th was the day of departure for Youth Tour 2017. Students were thrilled as they made final preparations to board the luxury motor coach. The youngest student was nine and the oldest fourteen. They journeyed from Los Angeles to Birmingham. The Afro-American Heritage Museum in Tucson, Arizona was a magnificent collection of artifacts displayed by Mr. Shad "Standman" Blair an 83 year old native from Memphis, Tennessee. Mr. Blair mesmerized students with his many stories of growing up black in America. Students were given the opportunity to view the US Mexican Border and observe the National Border Patrol Museum in El Paso, Texas. A "fun day" put a smile on student's faces as they spent an exhilarating time at Six Flags Fiesta in San Antonio, Texas. An educational highlight was walking the grounds of the Alamo Mission in San Antonio.

As the tour ventured East, students surveyed the damage hurricane Katrina caused to the city of New Orleans. Thousands of people remain displaced. The children were saddened to hear the tender stories of our guide, Mr. Waters. He wept as he shared how His father was ill, on oxygen and made to wait several weeks before leaving the flooded area. Many people lost their lives.

One of the most exciting events of the tour was arriving in Birmingham, Alabama and inviting members of Faith Fellowship lead by Dr. Barbara Amos to board our bus and travel to Selma and Montgomery. Comprehending the Black History and Civil Rights events of Selma, Montgomery and Birmingham transformed the lives of all students. There is a commitment to dream big and excel in all areas of life. From Birmingham we headed back to Los Angeles with stops in Memphis, Little Rock and Oklahoma City. Students will forever remember Boley, Oklahoma, a black town established in 1903. It was unbelievable!

OUR MISSION

The mission of Eagle Empowerment, Inc. is to enrich the lives of youth and families through education, mentorship and travel to broaden their thinking, enhance their insight, and visualize life's possibilities.

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