



Breaking Ground Prayer Updates January 2008

Thank the Lord for the following provisions:

- Alderman Fredrenna Lyle in the Englewood area of Chicago has given us her support on building 25 homes in Englewood. She will be presenting the project during her next community meeting and to Congressman Bobbie Rush to get their support. Please asked the Lord for favor in the each of those situations.
- The Lord provided some excellent mentors for the snow removal business of Cleanstreet.
- We have identified a very good online curriculum for use in the Teaching Factory and the Manufacturing 101 course.

Please pray for the following items:

APL Teaching Factory

Ask the Lord to give the staff a heart of understanding to the importance of documenting the procedure of each critical task to the operations of the Teaching Factory. This is an important step to being able to export the Teaching Factory to other locations.

A ministry friend, Breakthrough Urban Ministry, has ask BG to bring the Teaching Factory to their new men's shelter. We would love to do this, however we currently do not have the funds to cover the additional staff time. Pray that the Lord would provide and that source of sustainable source of funding would be identified.

Affordable Housing

BG has not yet received the replacement lots from the City. The Alderman is running for Committeeman of our ward and is very busy. Please continue to ask the Lord for the 24 replacement lots.

BG is pursuing 6 new housing developments; pray that we would act with wisdom and fairness and that the Lord would give us favor with all the authorities of which BG needs approval.

Cleanstreet

South Shore did not select Cleanstreet. Continue to pray for success as

Cleanstreet bids on more contracts. Morale is low, ask the Lord to encourage the men to continue to press towards the goal.

Minority Contractors Co-op

Joe Pruitt, who directs this business, has 20 contractors ready to join the Co-op. Pray that the foundation considering funding will fund the operating expenses and provide the capital for the loan fund. The planning shows that this will be self-sufficient after the first year.

Discipleship House

Please pray that the men in house would desire to live in biblical community; and that the Lord would provide more men for the program. The standards are high and this keeps many from making the commitment for the training.

Manufacturing Training Center

This will be launching this month; pray for a good class of students and that the instructor will connect well with the students.

Thanks for Praying
Jeff Dennis