



Breaking Ground Prayer Updates  
November 2008

*I will bless you...and you will be a blessing to others (Genesis 12:2)*

Thank the Lord for the following provisions:

- Two of the twelve homes have sold, and construction has began on 2 homes; ten more to go.
- 30 students in two classes learning the trade of tool and die making.

Please pray for the following items:

Funding

I have decided with the council of my board of directors to close the "Discipleship House". We are helping the men to find other accommodations. The staff working in this ministry have been reassigned or laid off. The Teaching Factory has been reduced from 5 days a week to 4 days and salaries reduced accordingly.

With only 2 of the 12 available lots sold, operating revenue will be severely limited going into next year. We are continuing to pray as a staff team and ask for you all to join us. Please pray that the 10 remaining lots will be sold before year-end.

Cleanstreet

Ask the Lord to give us favor with the Village of Oak Park, NorthCenter SSA, Lakeview SSA and that Cleanstreet would be awarded the contracts they are considering; the contracts are for litter pick-up, power washing sidewalks and landscaping.

Recently, in a Breaking Ground Chapel service, the men from Cleanstreet set the pace in sharing what God is doing in their lives. These men read the word daily together and it is bearing fruit in their lives.

Discipleship House

It is our goal to restart the Discipleship House once our housing revenue stabilizes. Some of the things we were doing worked great and some of them not so great. We will use the next year to redevelop this program. Pray for wisdom as we think this through. Pray also for the men who are being displaced, that they would find a place to live and that the place they find will continue to

foster their spiritual growth.

#### Rehab and Rental

This is a new profit center we are beginning to diversify our revenue streams. We have become a general contractor for NHS (Neighborhood Housing Service) and hope to bid on some rehab projects for them. This business will also purchase, rehab and manage some rental properties in the area. Please pray for some good opportunities for this business. We are currently negotiating on a 15-unit property a few blocks from our office.

#### Manufacturing Training Center

This is going great! Over 30 students are attending and being trained in blue print reading and measurement tools and machine operation. There is a great need for CNC operators in Chicago. After this class these students will be able to operate a CNC machine. Pray that BG will be certified by the State for this training and will receive venter status with the Mayors office of Workforce Development of the City of Chicago. Also pray we would receive the grants that have been requested for this program to continue.

Thanks for Praying  
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