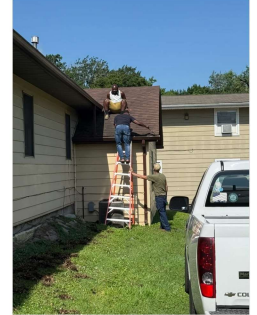


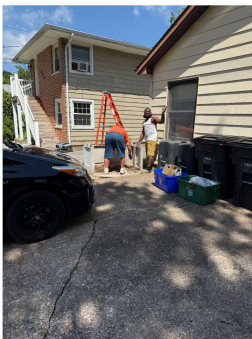
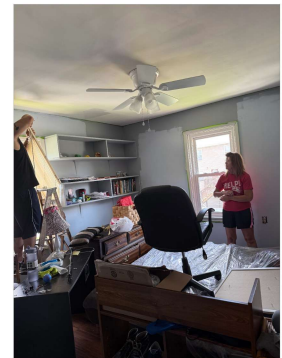


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## Workday Spring 2025



On June 21st, Spring Workday occurred. Workday is a day that friends, board members, churches, and the Baptist Brotherhood work with students to do life skills training. Our students learned how to paint, caulk, mud, engrave, do minor repairs, and clean gutters. Everyone learned, mentored, and enjoyed lunch and a time of fellowship. A big "THANK YOU" to all who were apart.





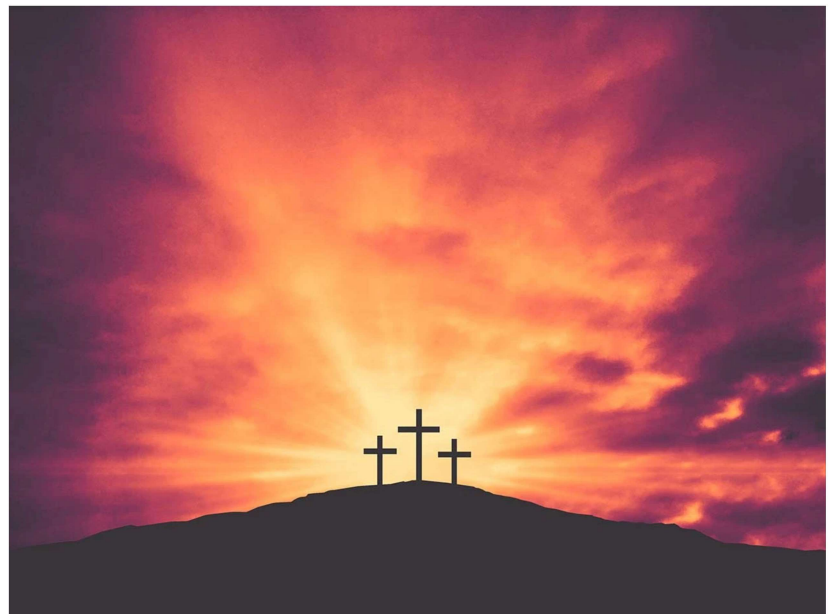


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## Easter 2025



Hallelujah! Christ is Risen! Easter dinner was prepared and donated by several. The menu was a traditional ham dinner with all the fixings and dessert. The extra treat was a chocolate bunny for all to enjoy. It was a wonderful dinner enjoyed by all, along with Sunday Easter church service to celebrate our risen Savior.







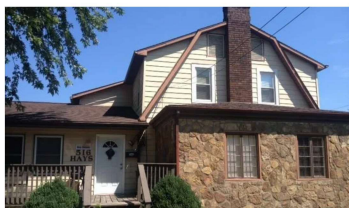
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## Community BBQ

On May 3rd, our students, friends, and board members held a neighborhood community BBQ. This event was an outreach to the neighborhood and students living in the surrounding area. Our students were taught how to grill hamburgers and hot dogs by Pastor Chet and Dennis Cope. Most importantly, all who attended felt the love of God. It was a day of fun for all. We were amazed by the diverse range of music genres played at this event. Gospel, Easy listening, and country music- even the sounds of Elvis were enjoyed by our students and friends. Quite amazing! Thank you, Samuel, for being the DJ for the event!







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## Resident Update



In May 2024, we shared that one of our students, Ben Malas, graduated from Southern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Science in Forestry. While Ben resided at the ABCM campus house, he accepted his calling in the ministry. We are excited to update that Ben is officially recognized as a US Missionary with the Assemblies of God. He will be moving to Springfield, Missouri, to do his internship. His goal is to return to work in campus ministry at Southern Illinois University as a Campus Missionary. On June 21st, Board member Kelly Cook and Board President Reverend Carl Cottingham presented a donation to Ben for his missionary work on behalf of all. If you would like to support Ben's ministry, you can contact him @

Email:  
[benjamin.m.malas@gmail.com](mailto:benjamin.m.malas@gmail.com)

Please pray for Ben as he embarks on the next phase of his ministry journey.





# NEWSLETTER

## Directors Corner



Greetings Friends,

As we navigate our journey together in campus ministries, I want to express my gratitude to each of you who have mentored, prayed, and donated to Campus Ministries. Your dedication truly makes a difference!

I would also like to encourage you to remember the words from Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." This reminds us that we can overcome any obstacles that come our way.

And just like a good cup of coffee on a Monday morning, let's infuse our days with a bit of lightheartedness! Laughter is good for the soul. So, let's share a joke or a light moment whenever we can—it's those little sparks of joy that keep our spirits high. Proverbs 17:22 tells us, "A cheerful heart is good medicine." This verse beautifully highlights the healing power of laughter and joy, reminding us that maintaining a positive spirit can uplift us and those around us.

Thank you for being a part of this incredible journey! Together, we can achieve great things—one step, one laugh, and one victory at a time!

Keep shining bright!

Blessings,  
JJ



### House Needs

Non-Stick Pots and Pans

Board Members

Living Room Furniture

Volunteers