



MEN'S RESIDENTIAL MANUAL



Restoring Broken Families **One Man At A Time**

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We want to welcome you and thank you for taking this huge step to change your life! All new things must start with a foundation and at MHATC we are going to help you lay a NEW FOUNDATION that will change your life FOREVER! It's important for you to have an open heart and give this program a chance because your old ways were not working for you. Real change is REAL HARD, but here we introduce you to Jesus Christ who helps make your new change easier! He is the answer you have been looking for your whole life! He loves you and wants to welcome you home into His loving arms! You can be forgiven of your past and start a whole new life free from pain, addiction, and any other problem you are facing! WELCOME HOME!!

REMEMBERING OUR 65 YEAR HISTORY

Pictured is our ATC founder David Wilkerson who went to New York City after hearing the Lord tell him to go minister to a group of seven teenage gang members being tried for murder. After being escorted out of the court (pictured right), David did not give up but his ensuing outreach to New York gangs eventually led to the development of ATC.



In the past 65 years, ATC has expanded to include over 220 residential programs, as well as approximately 65 Ready Now Recovery programs, designed to minister to men and women who struggle with a variety of life-controlling issues. We are proud to say that we are the most successful program in the nation.

The miracle stories of Adult & Teen Challenge are recorded in the best-selling book *The Cross and the Switchblade* which is a part of our program curriculum. Adult & Teen Challenge remains a Christ-Centered solution for drug addiction and life-controlling problems to this day.



WHO WE ARE

In 2010 Pastor Bryan Wilson saw the need to help men who were struggling with addiction. He started a mens Teen Challenge program in Georgetown, MS at the old Union Academy school building. We have 14 beautiful acres where the men in our program can find a safe “retreat” to work on their life controlling issues. Our program is 14 months long and broken down into 4 phases. We believe in Total Life Transformation and desire to see men not just overcome drug addiction but become productive members of society. Our mission is to see Broken Families Restored One Man at a Time.



WHY US

Mercy House Adult & Teen Challenge has graduated over 250 men with the number growing each month. Drugs and alcohol are only part of the problem and we teach a total life transformation that we believe prepares men for the real world.

Our success rate is over 50% for graduates remaining sober up to 5 years after successful completion of the program. Faith-based programs work! Since its inception in 2010, there have been over 2,000 plus men come through the program who have all been taught how to live free from addiction.



IMPORTANT FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

- Our Intake fee is \$1,000 which helps us cover a portion of the academic books & intake paperwork needed for each student.
- Blood work cost approximately \$300 and can be paid directly to us or done at Medscreen's in Pearl, MS. This can also be done at your doctor's office.
- It cost us approximately \$1600 monthly/\$22,000 total for each student to be housed. We ask that the families (who are able) to help contribute money monthly to help pay for their loved ones stay.
- We never turn anyone away due to financial situations at MHATC, but we ask the families to help us cover the monthly expenses it takes to operate.
- We have a needs list for monthly supplies at our center. A copy of the needs list is posted on our website if your family would like to help.
- We want to be able to help as many men who have no funds and in order to do this we need those that can to help contribute monthly.



Pastor Matt Milliman
Executive Director/CEO

I grew up seeing a lot of dysfunction which really altered how I viewed life. My dad was a good man but drank a lot and wasn't there for us like he should have been. This left me empty and looking for acceptance in all the wrong places. My only identity was in the alcohol I drank or the drugs I did. The love of God encountered me 15 years ago and my life has forever been changed. Coming through ATC had helped rescue me from a lifestyle of addiction & taught me how to live again. I am now walking in my true calling helping men and their families find freedom from addiction!

I am excited to welcome you to our great program! I believe here you will encounter your true purpose and learn how to live FREE & VICTORIOUSLY. If you will trust us, we will help you find a life in Christ that will enable you to live out all of your hopes & dreams. In the right timing, everything in your life can be restored, and you can overcome all of your struggles! Thank you for trusting us with your care and we look forward to helping you change your life!



**JOSH COOK
PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

I lived in the darkness of addiction for 22 years of my life. I came to MHATC in 2017 & was set free from the bondage of addiction & alcoholism. It tells us in John 8:12 “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of Life.” And today I have that light. I am married to my beautiful wife and we are helping to restore people back to their true identity. I never thought I could live a life of real freedom!

**Chris & Ashley Gates
Program Manager/ Financial Administrator**



We have a heart for MHATC because not only was it the avenue God used to encounter Chris and give him true freedom from drugs and alcohol, but it was also the way we met! We met at Chris's graduation from Mercy House ATC in 2018 and married in 2019. Four years later, we have 2 beautiful daughters. God is using MHATC to change so many legacies as He changed ours. Our daughters will never experience a Mommy and Daddy that do not strive to live holy lives for the Lord. We are blessed and humbled to be a part of this amazing team. Partnering with Jesus to help restore families and reconcile men back to Him is our greatest honor.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

HOWEVER, IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A BIRTH CERTIFICATE, ID OR SOCIAL SECURITY CARD, WE CAN ASSIST YOU IN GETTING THESE



VALID STATE ISSUED
ID/LICENSE



BIRTH CERTIFICATE



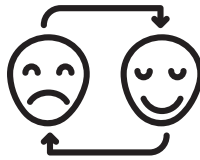
SOCIAL SECURITY CARD



PHYSICAL & BLOOD WORK
(HEP C, HIV, VD, TB)



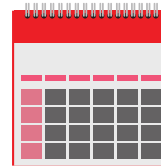
\$1,000 INTAKE FEE



SINCERE DESIRE
TO CHANGE



OPEN TO INSTRUCTION
& CORRECTION



14 MONTH
COMMITMENT

Admission Disclaimer:

- Ultimately admission is at the discretion of MHATC leadership.
- You must meet all the admission requirements to enter the program. If you have any difficulties in meeting these requirements, consult the Intake Coordinator. Each situation will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
- Any belongings you cannot keep on the property as a student should be left at home. If you weren't able to, at your expense they may be mailed home. You are responsible for your own property as a student.
- Due to the nature of our organization and participation in many public events and activities, your photo may appear online via our social media platforms.
- You will not be allowed to make any doctor/dental appointments until you have been in the program for 6 months. You will be allowed to go to the doctor before 6 months on an EMERGENCY BASIS ONLY. You must let the Intake Coordinator know of ANY/ALL medical or dental conditions that you have.
- It is your responsibility to make the Intake Coordinator aware of ALL LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES that you have prior to coming into the program.
- You must keep a valid state ID or driver's license on your person throughout the entirety of your program. You must also at minimum keep photocopies of your other documents on file (Social Security Card & Birth Certificate).
- On arrival, be honest about your substance use. Being dishonest about your substance abuse can be very detrimental to your health and can even lead to death in some circumstances. You also cannot be intoxicated at the time of intake.
- You are responsible to notify any necessary parties that you are entering a long-term program and you will not be able to make any payment towards any outstanding debts as you will not have an income while enrolled in the program. We advise you to cancel any monthly subscriptions or scheduled payments you may have before entering the program!
- The program is not designed to be "easy." You will be challenged, frustrated, and corrected. This is done in order that you might grow.

Core Values

1. Scripture and the Holy Spirit.

The power of the Holy Spirit through God's Word sustains everything at Mercy House.

2.Total Life Transformation.

We believe total life transformation starts on the inside and shows itself by outward expressions.

3.Redemption.

No one is beyond the reach of Christ's redemption.

4.Discipleship.

Discipleship is essential to life change therefore we offer constant discipleship in all aspects of our program.

5.Integrity and Transparency.

We value integrity and transparency at all levels and guard it at all costs.

6.Supporter and Donors.

Our supporters/donors are the key to helping lives be transformed and we rely on their support.

WHAT TO BRING

We have compiled a list of items that you may want to bring for your reference. Don't panic if you forget something; we have a "Blessing Room" which is stocked with most of the basics you might need. Please do not bring more than what is listed below as we will not be able to store it.

ALLOWED ITEMS

- *Peanuts, pecans or any form of nuts.** (Shelled Only)
- *Hard candy in wrapping.** (Jolly Ranchers, Peppermints, Lifesavers, ect.)
- *No Suckers**
- *School Supplies** (Notebooks, Pens, Pencils and High Lighters. Bible (NLT, NIV, KJV, NKJV) versions are okay. Reading glasses if necessary. 3-ring binders, loose leaf paper and spiral notebooks, diary/journal.)
- *Towels and Washcloths**
- *Sheets for Twin Size Bed** (Only one set)
- *Pillows** (Can bring 2 pillows if desired)
- *Drink Bottle (Shaker Cup) and drink mixes to add to water. (Single Packs, No Caffeine Packs Allowed)**
- *Protein Powder is the only workout supplement allowed.**
- *Large Plastic Clothes Hamper**
- *Underwear or Boxers**
- Shoes** (You can have 7 pair of shoes total. That includes shower shoes, dress shoes lace up or slip on.)
- *Being on time is important.** (Bring a Watch)
- *Hygiene** (Note that you cannot bring any mouthwash that contains alcohol.)
- *Soap, Shampoo, and Conditioner**
- *Deodorant/ toothpaste and toothbrush**
- *Hair and nail clippers, shaving razors, shaving cream and lotion.**
- *Hygiene bag with first aid simple necessities i.e. band aids, antibiotic cream, anti-itch cream, toothpicks and floss.**
- *Laundry Detergent POD FORM ONLY.**
- *Clothes:**
 - (3-5 pair) Slacks or Khakis**
 - (3-5 pair) Jeans**
 - (3-5 pair) Button-down dress shirts**
 - (5-7 pairs) Collared "polo-styled" shirt for mid-week church services and class**
- *Work Clothes** (Any clothes that you can get stained or soiled with paint or grease.)

WHAT NOT TO BRING

These items are **PROHIBITED** while a student is in the program. Please leave these at home as their possession violates MHATC policy. We will not store them for any amount of time, they will be discarded at the time of admission.

COMMUNICATION DEVICES

- Cell Phones
- Tablets
- Laptops
- Smart Watches

BOOKS

- No books other than the Bible.
- Newspapers & Magazines

MISCELLANEOUS

- Body modification supplies
- CD's or DVD's
- Candles, Lighters, Incense, or Matches
- Drug Paraphernalia
- Playing Cards or Board Games
- Pets or animals
- Weapons of any kind or anything that can be used as a weapon
- Fireworks
- Empty alcohol containers
- Appliances of any kind
- Valuables (expensive clothing, jewelry, or items with sentimental value)
- Inappropriate pictures
- Tools or equipment
- Vehicles (including skateboards, scooters, bikes)

FOOD & BEVERAGES

- Alcohol (including aftershave, mouthwash, and hand sanitizer)
- Chewing Gum
- Tobacco Products
- Soft Candy
- Prohibited Medications*
- Mind-Altering Substances
- Illegal Drugs
- Energy Drinks Pre-Workout, Creatine
- Personal Food
- Protein is **ALLOWED**

CLOTHING

- Apparel or belongings that have skulls, is gang-related, secular music branding, offensive, inappropriate, sexual, contains conflicts of interest, or drug-related artwork or words
- Costumes or masks
- Clothes that require dry-cleaning
- Clothing that conflicts with Christian principles



DRESS CODE & GROOMING

THESE ARE **PROHIBITED** IN THE PROGRAM



INAPPROPRIATE CLOTHING



HOODIES COVERING YOUR FACE



EXCESSIVE JEWELRY



EXCESSIVELY RIPPED JEANS



SAGGING PANTS

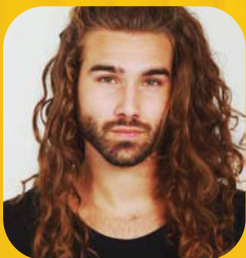


OPEN SHIRTS



HATS BACKWARD

Tattoos will be evaluated on an individual basis. You may be asked to keep them covered. Inappropriate, or gang-related tattoos most likely will need to be kept covered by clothing. New tattoos or body modifications are not allowed while you are enrolled in the program.



Students will be clean shaven at all times. Moustaches are permitted, but must be trimmed at the corners of the mouth. Sideburns are permitted, but must be trimmed to the bottom of the ear. Hair must be off the ear and trimmed above the collar no more than 2 inches. Students are not permitted to shave their arms or legs at any time while at MHATC. Hair must be shaped and trimmed to be neat. Haircuts must be done in an orderly manner.

GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL



DRUG USE

Including Alcohol, Tobacco products & Mind altering substances.



DEALING DRUGS

To any student, intern, or staff member.



THEFT

Including anything from a vocational training facility.



WEAPONS

In your possession or used against another person.



ASSAULT

Physical, verbal, sexual and racial.



THREATENING

Anyone including yourself or others with physical harm, intimidating others or promoting violent behavior.



CHILDREN

Touching, picking up or feeding other people's children.



DATING RELATIONSHIPS

Attempting to establish any dating relationships while in the program or talking to the opposite sex.



DESTRUCTION

of any Brooklyn Adult & Teen Challenge property or facilities.

GENERAL PROGRAM BREAKDOWN

The benefits of MHATC'S long-term residential recovery program are many, beginning with how we identify those who participate. We do not call them clients or residents. We refer to them as students, because they learn a new way of living.

Our students are given the following opportunities when they enter our programs:

- They can separate themselves from the environment and relationships that have contributed to their life-controlling problems.
- They come into a controlled environment which helps them to avoid the substances and behaviors that have contributed to their self-destruction.
- They enter a loving and supportive Christian community.
- They are positioned to confront the destructive thoughts, beliefs, attitudes, and behaviors that led to their life-controlling problems.
- They will have chapel services, Christian growth classes, group pastoral counseling, and one on one Christian mentoring at their disposal to facilitate their spiritual journey to discover God's truth for themselves.
- They are given the opportunity to cultivate the life practice of personal prayer and daily devotions.
- They participate in work therapy programs designed to teach a positive work ethic, responsibility, and pride in a job well-done, regardless of the tasks they are assigned to complete. Because many work programs generate funding for MHATC programs, students are given the opportunity to contribute to their own recovery through their work, which gives them a sense of productivity and dignity.



We Focus On 4 Phases

Phase 1 – Why was I created?

Dealing with past wounds. How to move forward from addiction.

Phase 2 – Conflict resolution.

Building healthy relationships. Dealing with triggers. Continued in-depth Bible studies.

Phase 3 – Move into our 3rd phase home.

Get a job. Pay fines. Get a driver's license. Marriage counseling. Improved life skills.

Phase 4 – Graduate & transition to alumni home.

Have accountability. Live freely. Develop a new life.

The First Phase or Induction Phase is the first 2-4 months of the program. The first 14 days, privileges and communication will be very limited. This time is for the student to reflect on what brought them here and to learn to adapt to the guidelines and environment of the program. The rest of the First Phase will be spent learning introductory Biblical principles and building a foundation for your new life in Christ.

The Second Phase or Personal Development Phase is the next four to five months of the program. In this phase, students will be introduced to more advanced spiritual matters, such as developing a personal relationship with Jesus and seeing the world through a Biblical worldview. Here students will learn how to build healthy relationships, deal with triggers, and have continued in-depth Bible studies.

The Third Phase or Transition Phase is the last 3 to 5 months of the program. Third Phase Students will all become what we like to call a Transitional Student. This is a time where the program student will get all of their ducks in a row so that when they transition on it will be a smooth process. From that point, students will be considered for two different progress tracks, the Student Intern track, and transitioning back home. The Student Intern track is directed towards someone who is planning on staying for a one-year internship. The other students will be working towards transitioning back home. Both of these tracks will allow for a different level of service so that individuals can have the means to begin to practice responsible, accountable living before they leave the safeguard of the program. Third Phase students will also have personal academics to continue their spiritual growth and prepare them for life outside of the program

GRADUATION



OVERVIEW

Graduation is one of our biggest events at MHATC. Graduations are held monthly for students who have successfully completed the 14 month program and 6-9 month restoration students.

REQUIREMENTS

- Graduation requires the approval of the Executive Director, Program Director and Program Manager.
- Students must successfully satisfy all the requirements in all three phases of the program.
- Students must display a transformed character and exhibit a Christ-like attitude
- Graduate candidates on discipline may have their graduation delayed and their program extended.
- All students are required to attend graduation in person.

PREPARING FOR GRADUATION

- Be prepared to give a 3-minute testimony about your experience at MHATC.
- The dress code is always Sunday's best.

FAMILY & GUEST

- Family and guests are encouraged to attend your graduation ceremony. MHATC is not responsible for arranging transportation or lodging for your family.
- Facebook Live Stream of Graduation will be available for families who cannot attend in person.
- All family visit rules apply.

Passes

After a student has been in the program for 8 months, he will be allowed a 7-day pass. An approved family member can pick up the student on the appropriate day, and must return him by the same time on the 8th day during his 7-day pass. If he has a successful pass, he will then transition to our 3rd phase home. He will then be considered for weekend and Saturday visits and passes at the discretion of the directors. Consideration will be given for travel time is if the visit is more than a 5 hour drive.

Off-Campus Excursions

Off-campus excursions with approved family members will be permitted upon a students sixth month. Just like visitation, off-campus excursions are from 7:30 A.M. – 5 P.M. Students may be picked up any time after 7:30 A.M., but must return promptly by 5 P.M. Excursions may take place on Saturdays, only. Approved family members must sign the student out and sign the student back in. No trips home are allowed. Warranted or random drug, alcohol, and nicotine screenings will be administered upon return. Absolutely no social media is allowed while students are on passes.

Holidays

Excursions and Passes will not be granted between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Any passes that are given before Dec. 23, the student is required to return by the required time of the 23, no later than 5:00 pm. Any one arriving after 5:00 pm must call in advance and seek approval from the Directors.

Anyone who fails to do so will be given discipline.



3rd Phase Passes

You will be able to take multiple weekend (2-3 day) passes off property. Other Saturday passes may be considered at Directors discretion. You will need to submit a pass request 2 weeks in advance to the 3rd Phase Director for approval. Only an approved family member can pick up the student on the appropriate day. The student must return with an approved family member by 5:00 p.m. on the third day of pass. Absolutely no social media is allowed on any passes.

Visitation Rules

Approved family members can come on Sundays to church at Southside, you may leave from church with your family and return by 5pm that evening. You have to get visitation approval the week prior to the Sunday you are requesting to visit.

Visitation

- Visitation may take place one weekend a month. Students may receive visitors on that Saturday from 7:30a – 4:30p. On Saturday, visitors may eat lunch provided by the kitchen. The student will inform the kitchen of how many guests. Visitors may bring lunch to the student from the outside. Food and drink may only be brought to the center for either the individual student or for the student body as a whole.
- Visitation may take place after 60 days in the program. A visitor request form must be filled out and submitted to staff no later than 14 days prior to the visit and it must be approved by the program director.
- Visitors will be turned away without approval, or proper identification. Visitors should call the office to confirm that they are coming to visit. In accordance with the student wishes, other students may only briefly be introduced to visitors.
- Visitation areas are the dining room, the chapel, phase 2 classroom, and the campus grounds. The weight room is off limits. Student rooms are off limits. Due to contraband being brought in, we the staff at MHATC feel it would be in the best interest of the students that everything is brought through the office to be checked. Also, we ask that all bags, purses, etc. be subject to be checked.
- If a student is found contraband from a family member, your visit will be revoked for 60 days from them.
- Sunday visitors may attend Sunday church services, they need not come to the center, but should call for directions to the church that the students will be attending. Once there, the visiting family will sit with the student on the first row behind the student body.
- When church services have ended, the visitation for that weekend has ended. The student is required to leave immediately with the student body.
- The next visit must be 30 days from the previous visit. Exceptions may be made at the directors discretion.

Visitation Rules

1. Students may not bring any females in the dorm rooms. This includes family members such as mothers, sisters, daughters, etc.
2. Students are not permitted to pick up any children other than their own children EVER!
3. Students are not permitted to sit in any vehicles on property anytime during visitation.
4. Before the student receives any personal items or gifts, these items must be brought to the office for approval. This also applies to items brought back from excursions.
5. Students may only direct approaching vehicles of visitors or guests to the Administration Office, and students are not allowed to personally intercept an approaching vehicle. Only if the driver intentionally asks for guidance is a student to speak or interact with arriving visitors or guests.
6. All visitors MUST enter and exit through the office.
7. Student families may only leave once to go get food and other things needed by the student. All items that is brought to the center for students must be brought through the office for inspection.

Letter Writing

Letter writing is permitted from the start of the program. Staff will read and inspect the incoming and outgoing mail of all students. Outgoing mail will be dropped off at front office in advisors specific box. In-coming mail will be distributed to the students by their advisor.

Mailing Address for MHATC
(Students Full Name)
Mercy House Adult and Teen Challenge
P.O. Box 266
Georgetown, MS 39078

All staff will read and inspect all incoming and outgoing mail by all students and any and all letters must be addressed according to approved contact list. Any mail coming into facility from those that are not on approved contact list will be returned to sender. Return address must have full name and MHATC Address on them. No mail is to be sent to or received from a Correctional facility unless it is immediate family member and on approved contact list.

Phone Calls

- **Phone calls are permitted after the first 2 weeks have been completed.**
- **Calls are limited to one 10 minute call every seven days.**
- **A staff member must be present, and during 1st Phase the calls may be monitored to protect students from harm.**
- **A maximum of five contacts may be listed on the phone call contact sheet.**

Any changes to the phone call list must be approved by staff, providing there is adequate time. Phone Line at MHATC Student Services (601) 858-2256. The Phone Call must be made on the day of the residents scheduled time and if missed, they forfeit that weeks phone call. The exception is if the individual was on a ministry trip or E-Team Rally,



Dorm Room Guidelines (1 Cor. 14:40)

1. No items will be left out cluttering the front of dorms. Students will not leave any personal items out on the campus or in class rooms such as clothes, shoes, or books. If left out, items will be appropriated by staff member. Shoes may be placed behind the gym to dry and air out. No shoes are to be left out in front of dorm rooms or on the roof.
2. Absolutely there is to be no food in the room whatsoever unless it is individually wrapped hard candy and peanuts without shell.
3. There is a limit of 5 pairs of shoes in the dorm room, (this includes shower shoes).
4. Students must keep their rooms neat and clean.
5. Beds must be made at all times, to staff specifications.
6. There is to be nothing between beds except for one laundry bag/basket per student.
7. Students may not leave personal belongings on beds unattended.
8. Clothes not hanging must be either in drawers, or neatly folded and placed inside of cubby-holes.
9. Do not leave any items unattended on top of bed-shelves.
10. Students may not hide belongings by covering shelves.
11. Students may not store any belongings in the AC closets.
12. There are to be nothing on the walls except 3"x5" family photos, (limit 10), posted with clear tape only.
13. There is to be nothing in the windows.
14. All folding chairs must be placed behind room door when not in use.
15. There are to be no suitcases in dorm rooms. All suitcases are to be labeled with students' name and placed in gym under bleachers.
16. Students may not lie down at any time between wake-up and 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday. On Saturday, students may lay down after assigned work details are completed. On Sunday, students may lay down at any time when other scheduled activities do not exist.
17. Lights out at 10:00 P.M. on Sunday through Thursday and at 11:00 P.M. on Friday and Saturday. No talking is allowed after lights out;
18. There are to be no rugs greater than 2 feet by 3 feet and must be clean and orderly with respect to appearance, etc.
19. Room lights and all electrical devices must be turned off in room when leaving. Any lights left on or fans left off are subject for removal until such time disciplines can be maintained.



DISCIPLINE

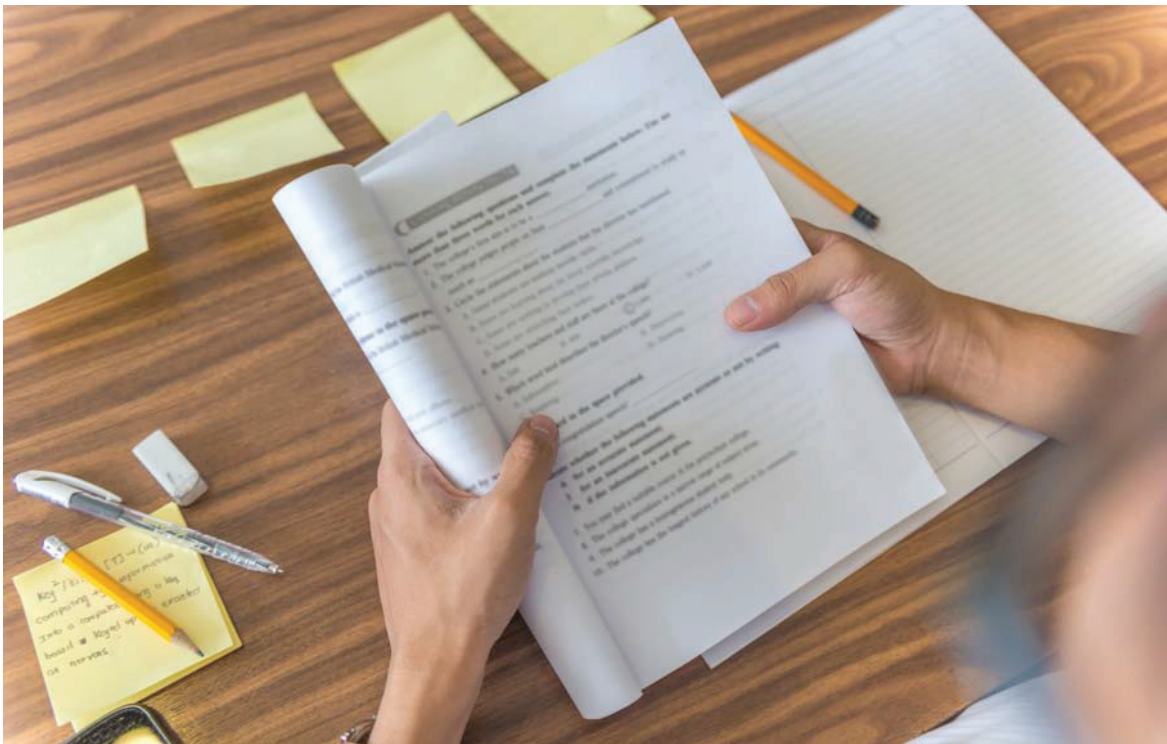
At different times in your program discipline assignments are given to individual students by staff. The purpose of these assignments is to help the student learn and grow in a specific behavioral area (Heb. 12:11). We only issue discipline when we see destructive behaviors that need to be corrected. Our goal is to train you in areas that could cause you harm upon completing the program. In many areas of your life, you lacked discipline and structure so we want to teach you how to think before you make decisions.

These assignments will be worked on during free time only unless there are specially designated study halls. Free time may not resume until discipline assignments are completed and submitted to a staff member. All free time must be completed in the class room.

1. It is never permitted to work on discipline during journal, class, chapel, guest speaker, or learning videos. If caught, discipline may be doubled !
2. No working on discipline during study hall unless otherwise noted on the schedule or by permission by a staff member.
3. Students who are on discipline may not talk to each other in a discipline designated classroom.
4. Students may not listen to music of any kind while working on discipline in the designated classroom.
5. While on discipline, all privileges are stripped from the student – including visitation, passes, and phone calls. All discipline must be done 24 hours prior to any visit, pass or excursion.
6. During free time, students who are on discipline are only permitted to be in the designated discipline classroom working on discipline. Any student who does not stay in the designated discipline area may be subject to more discipline. Any student who refuses to do discipline may be subject to dismissal.
7. Discipline may be appealed to the program manager, but will be doubled if lacking merit.
8. Discipline must be turned in 24 hours prior to any visitation, pass, or phone call, if not visit, pass and/or phone call will be being taken.

Academic Discipline

Our heart is to see you grow emotionally, spiritually, and physically. It is important that you take this program seriously and work hard at your new life. We will work with you at w/e academic level you are at to ensure you do not fall behind. The most important thing is that you learn to ask for help when you need it. If you do not finish your first contract within 5 weeks, you will restart the program. If you do not finish your 2nd and 3rd contract within 8 weeks, 30 days will be added to your program. Your academic progress will determine if you are eligible for the 3rd phase program.



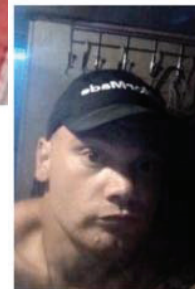
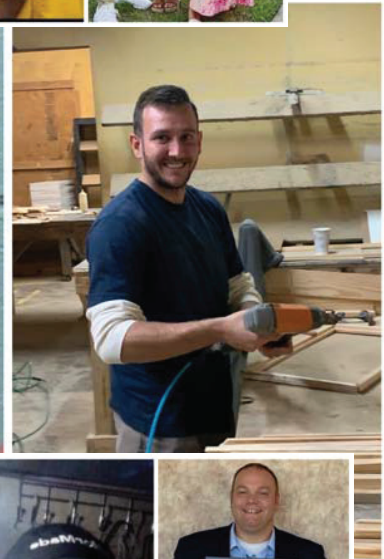
Church Guidelines (Lev. 19:30)

1. All shirts must be tucked in before boarding vans.
3. Students must walk in orderly manner straight to church.
4. Staff will direct students to the restroom before and after church.
5. No flyers, pamphlets, or literature of any kind may be taken without consent from staff.
6. Students must enter the sanctuary as a group, and sit as a group, filling every pew, starting from the front without skipping any seats, as directed by staff on duty.
7. There will be no talking. Students must read their Bibles until church service starts.
8. Students may not leave their seats unless it is to participate in altar call.
9. Students may not lay hands on females in prayer. They may not hug any non-family members of the opposite sex, whatsoever. To avoid the appearance of lust or disrespect, there will be no looking at any non-family members of the opposite sex longer than 3 seconds.
10. At the end of the service, students must remain seated until staff gives further instructions.
11. Students must walk back from the church building as a group.
12. Students may not sit with their families at church, unless it is their visitation weekend.
13. Bibles must be brought to church, and notes are required to be taken during all church services.
14. Absolutely no candy in vans, bus's and other vehicles. There is to be no candy at all in church services –and anyone found doing so will have privileges taken away.

Church Dress Code

*Collared dress shirt tucked in with slacks, dress belt, and dress shoes.





BEFORE and AFTER



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