

### SCRIPTURE

### UNITY through HUMILITY

<sup>1</sup> If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,

<sup>2</sup> Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

<sup>3</sup>Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

<sup>4</sup>Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.

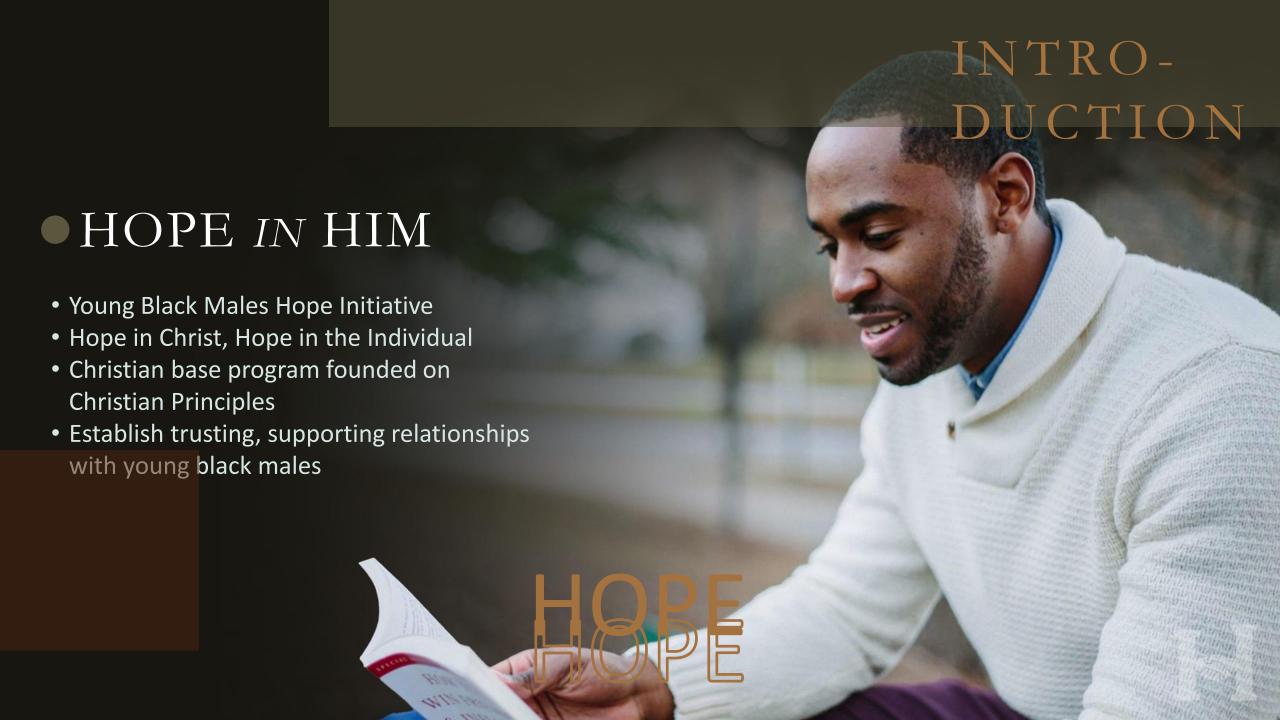
Philippians 2:1-4

### HOPE

<sup>24</sup>The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

Lamentations 3: 24







# THE VISION

### **FELLOWSHIP**



Iron Sharpening Iron
Allow God To Use Us
(Surrender) Stay in Prayer

### **SERVICE**



To be a Godly male influencer on younger black males

Serving vertical & horizontal

### **TRANSFORMATION**



Allowing God to transform lives of individuals and our community



### Individual

# TRANSFORMATION

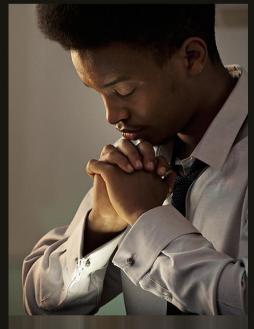
Allowing God to transform the lives of individuals

**SERVICE** 





Church



Community



City



# THE MISSION

- **Evangelism** Share Christ with the lost
- Discipleship Awakening dormant Christians
- Practical Meeting their needs and removing self, no expectation

HOPE

# SERVICE and MINISTRY

Understanding only God gives the increase

• Man cannot fix anything, only God can fix it

 Man has tried to fix things over the generations just to end up on the same results:

• failure, frustrations, and despair

Servant leaders to individuals and community







## MEETING THE NEEDS

### **PROVISIONS**



Basic needs must be met (Relationships/Mentorship, food, clothing, etc.)

### **PROTECTION**



We must put a hedge around the kids to protect them from Predators (we are in a spiritual battle)

### **PREPARATION**



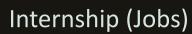
Teaching, Training and Supporting Activities



### INCENTIVES- WHAT'S IN IT FOR THEM?



Scholarship Opportunities (Sports/Academic)



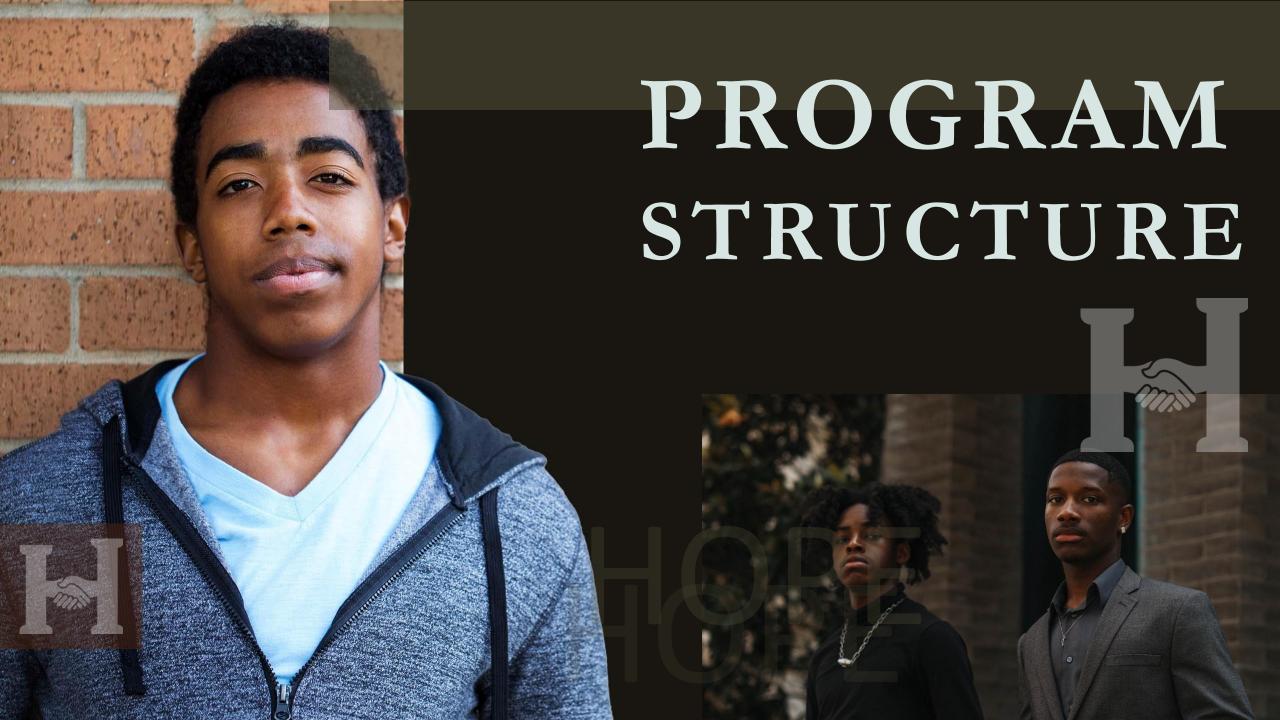






Plugged into Network of Resources





# HIERARCHY

- 3D Mentor Hierarchy
  - Lions mentor the Young Lions
  - Young Lions mentor the Cubs
- What do we get out of this process?
  - Lions
    - Closer to God by doing his will thru our service and sacrifice
    - Relationships with Men and Young men
    - Continuous improvement (learning from younger generations)

#### Young Lions

- Career advice/opportunities
- College Scholarships/ internships
- Closer to God by doing his will
- Personal relationship with likeminded individuals

#### Cubs

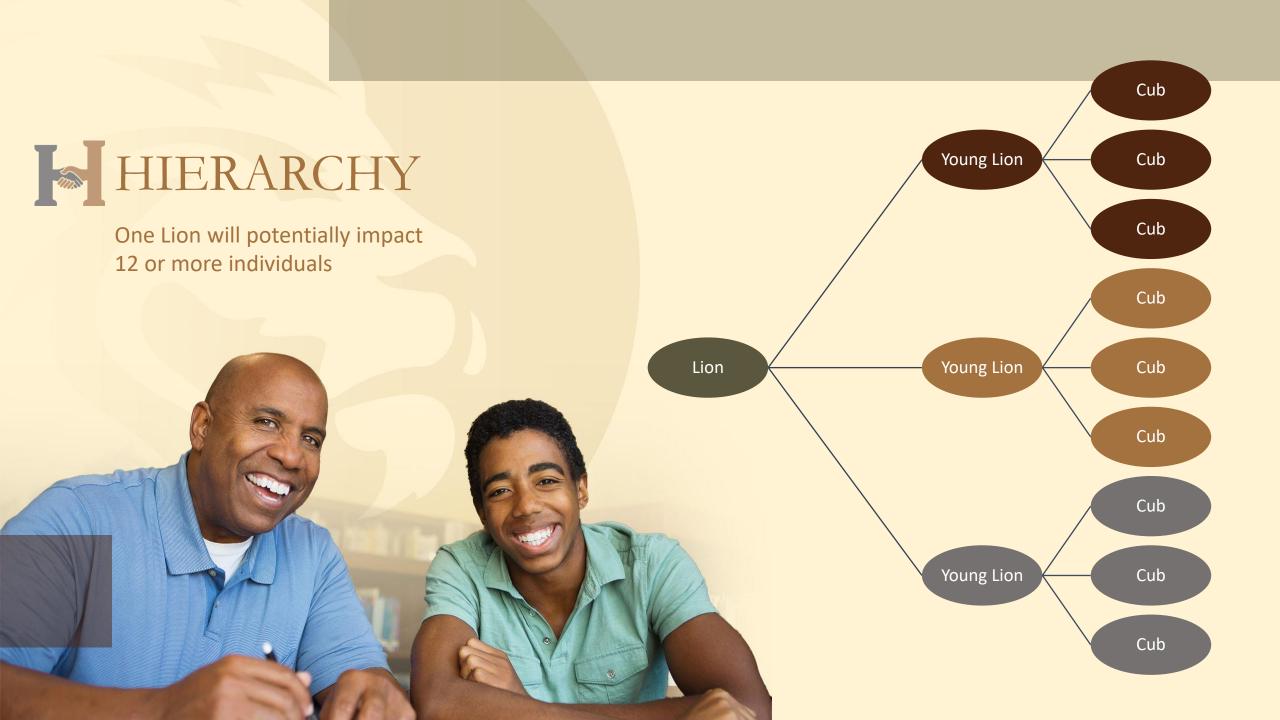
- Relationship / Attention / Spiritual Guidance
- Access to sports / activities
- Academic support











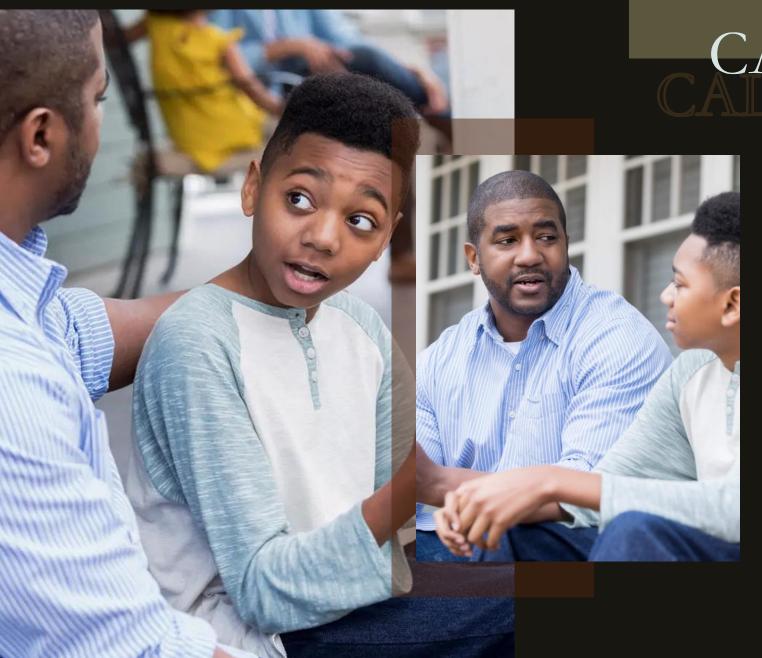


- Start in Jerusalem (at home)
- Establish Trusting, Supporting Relationships with young black males and Parents
- Provide Accountability training, support
- Basic needs must be met (food, clothing, sleep, hygiene, etc)
- Redirect Time, where is time spent

# PROGRAM DIRECTIVES

- What resources can be provided to the individual, family church, community
- Take advantage of technology
- Create program plan
- We should lead and teach in Godly ways
- Identify the one thing that would be most beneficial to each hierarchy





# CALL TO ACTION

PREPARATION



To put ourselves in a position to be used by God

**OPPORTUNITY** 



To Allow God to use us to accomplish his mission

**EXECUTION** 



To be a Godly male influencer on the younger black male by following God's lead



# IMPLEMENTATION

# HOPE IN HIM

- Implement Pilot Program
- Start In Jerusalem
- Input From Young Lions
- Identify Volunteers For

Pilot Program



# Program Initiatives

### HOPE IN HIM

- We must be servants to our Community
- We must serve the less fortunate
- We must teach Christ
- We must help families grow beyond their vulnerabilities
- Identify Challenges that need to be Overcome
- Promote Independence
- We must stay connected beyond school years

- Promote healthy relationships
- Begin with the End in Mind
- Project out to Year 2033 (12 Years)
- Create Connectivity between existing Community and Church programs
- Provide students access to existing Programs / Resources
- Take advantage of Technology
- Allow God to lead, man can fix nothing

# Program Structure

### HOPE IN HIM



Disadvantaged Black Male

Mentee

Ages 6 - 9 {Grades 1 - 4}

Ages 10 – 13 {Grades 5 - 8}

Ages 14 – 17 {Grades 9 - 12}

Ages 18 – 24 {uGrad, Grad}

Ages 25 – 30 {Young Adults}

Different needs for different Age Groups



Godly Man

Mentor

Formal or Casual

Relationship / Bond

Preparing for next Life

**Moral Standards** 

**Identify Gods Purpose** 

Standing Up

Selecting Friends

Tricks of the World

Transitioning to Manhood

Layered Approach in Mentorship

There is nothing new under the sun



Community

Church

Church

Community Programs

Education / Scholarships

Athletics / Sports

Scholarships / Grants

Careers / Training

Reinforce building blocks

Activities / Retreats

**Link Existing Programs** 

# What is Christian Mentorship HOPE IN HIM

- Mentoring is defined by Webster as teaching or giving advice or guidance to someone, such as a less experienced person or child.
- Jesus mentored His disciples during His ministry on earth. In fact, He said anyone who serves Him must follow Him (John 12:26). In the Great Commission (Matthew 28:18-20),
- Jesus told His followers to "make disciples of all nations." Making disciples involves much more than giving people a set of rules to follow: it includes living with them and helping them to grow in Jesus. That is mentoring.
- As Timothy was developing in his Christian walk, he was mentored by Paul, and he and Paul wrote numerous letters together (2 Corinthians, Philippians, Colossians, both letters to the Thessalonians, and Philemon).

- The Bible also tells older Christians to teach younger Christians (<u>Titus 2</u>).
- Paul implies in verses 2 and 6 that the older men should likewise teach the younger men by example, and this example is more than just showing the right way to behave. It includes training the younger men.
- This is mentorship. In verse 7, Paul urges Titus to "show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works." Paul is urging Titus to be more than just a preacher; he is to be a disciple (or mentor) in helping the church in Crete to grow.
- Peter, in <u>1 Peter 5:2-3</u>, says, "Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;<sup>3</sup> Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being examples to the flock.."
- This is a command to be mentors to their flocks.

# What is Christian Mentorship HOPE IN HIM

- Christian mentoring is somewhat different than secular mentoring.
- Christians are constantly striving to be like Christ, but do not attain perfection in this life. Paul urged the Corinthians to "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." (1 Corinthians 11:1).
- Christ is the ultimate model we should follow.
- As Christians, we should always point others to Christ. Part of our mentoring must be to show the right reactions to our sin.
- Paul said in <u>Philippians 3:12–14</u>, "<sup>12</sup> Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. <sup>13</sup> Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, <sup>14</sup> I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."
- We realize and admit we are not yet fully sanctified, and yet we continue to press on toward becoming more and more Christ-like and encourage others to do the same.
- All Christians, as we mature in our faith and sanctification, should seek to mentor others and to help them to become like Christ



# QUESTIONS

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