

2010 Calendar of Events

February – April 1st Annual Youth Bowl-a-thons
May 24th 7th Annual Golf Tournament, Country Club of Maryland, Towson, MD

Impact Baltimore 2010 3 wks of evangelism in the Baltimore Metro Area
June 7-12, July 5-10, August 9-14

September 17th 2nd Annual Crab Feast, Eastern Assembly of God, Dundalk, MD
November 12th Fall Partners Banquet, Sheraton Baltimore North, Towson, MD

For more information about the above events call Joan Adams @ 410-592-5203

We want to thank the following sponsors for their commitment to making our Fall Partners Banquet a success!

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BALTIMORE STATS

- At least **80,000** city residents need alcohol and drug treatment—one out of every eight Baltimore adults.
- The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) estimates the economic cost of drug and alcohol abuse in Baltimore exceeds **\$2.5 billion** a year.
- Heroin is Baltimore's primary drug of abuse. The proportion of city residents needing treatment for heroin abuse is **15 times the national rate**.

TEEN CHALLENGE STATS

- 86% of Teen Challenge graduates remain drug and crime free compared to a 6-7% success rate for secular substance-abuse rehabilitation programs.
- 72% of Teen Challenge graduates have continued their education following completion of the program.
- 90% of Teen Challenge graduates have been employed one or two years later compared to a 41% employment rate after completion of other drug programs.



FIRST INDUCTION PHASE GRADUATE FROM NEW CENTER

Calvin Carr is the first student to complete the four-month induction phase of the new Teen Challenge program in Baltimore, and has entered Phase 2 at the Teen Challenge Training Center in Rehrersburg, PA, for an additional eight months. Here is Calvin's story:



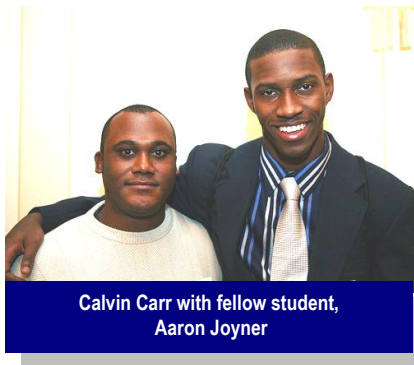
I want to thank God for all the blessings He's given me. I also want to thank Pastor Bill and staff members, Alex and Adam, for allowing me to be a part of Teen Challenge of Baltimore.

Less than four months ago *I was using drugs to live, and living to use drugs*. I was homicidal, suicidal, and hopeless, having driven myself into delirium with drugs, alcohol, and a wicked lifestyle. By the grace of God I was admitted to the psych ward in Penn Regional Medical Center, September 19th. I was 180 pounds when I arrived and was 194 pounds by the time I left. To illustrate how unmanageable my life was, I had eaten only four cinnamon bagels and a few chocolate candies in three days prior to being admitted, but I had spent \$250 on crack cocaine.

I was broken down and tired; once again I had let my life fall into complete ruin. I knew it would take another visit to a rehab facility to get my life back in some kind of order. When the discharge coordinator at the hospital mentioned the name of Teen Challenge, I knew that was where I wanted to go. She told me it was a Christian program. I had no plans of accepting God into my life or really changing, I just wanted to be free from drugs and alcohol.

"By God's grace, I haven't had the desire to drink or use drugs since I've been at Teen Challenge."

The love, kindness, and discipline I witnessed in Alex and Adam at first confused me. But then I came to realize that I would have to change my thoughts and attitudes toward life and it would take God to deliver me. On October 17, 2009, at the HonorBound Men's Conference, I responded to the altar call and went forward with numerous others to confess my sins and ask the Holy Spirit to come into my life in the name of Jesus. I was overcome with emotion and when I turned around, I found my new brother in Christ, Adam, there to greet me. He said that my life would never be the same and I believe him with all my heart.



Calvin Carr with fellow student, Aaron Joyner

By God's grace, I haven't had the desire to drink or use drugs since I've been at Teen Challenge of Baltimore. Through my study of God's Word, prayer, and humbling myself to receive God's guidance, I can feel the bad attitudes of my past losing their grip. And, more importantly, my desire to serve and show concern for others is growing every day. TCB has given me the opportunity to become not only a successful member of our society, but I am born again through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, my Savior.

OPEN HOUSE & DEDICATION OF NEW CENTER 101 N Potomac Street Baltimore, MD 21224

A day of dedication and celebration was held at the newly renovated men's residential center in Baltimore on September 12, 2009.



Men's Dorm

Visitors took guided tours of the facility located at the corner of N Potomac and Fairmount Sts in Highlandtown, and participated in the dedication ceremony. The center provides living accommodations for 16 students and staff and a chapel-learning center. Doors opened to receive students on September 22.



A prayer of dedication by Board Member, Dr. Keith Edwards

FALL PARTNERS BANQUET

Thank you to our partners and friends who shared a delightful evening with us at the Baltimore Sheraton North in Towson on November 13th. The featured speaker was **Lieutenant Colonel Johnny Melendez**, a 1965 graduate of Teen Challenge. "I have often felt shocked" he said, "by the way God used me." Johnny has traveled as a chaplain to combat zones around the world, including Iraq and has preached to servicemen at every rank of the military.



Lieutenant Colonel Johnny Melendez with TC students and staff

HOW CAN YOU HELP?



Teen Challenge of Baltimore is supported by caring individuals, concerned churches and community visionaries. Teen Challenge is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, so all gifts are tax deductible. **Our greatest current need is monthly support. Monthly operating costs are estimated at \$16,000, but our pledged giving per month is only \$3200.** Will you prayerfully consider how you can help?

SPONSORSHIP

Because we believe so strongly in the work we do, no one is ever turned away for lack of funds. A sponsorship program is available for students whereby concerned individuals can give toward the \$1,500 cost per month to house and care for each student. Donations can be earmarked "sponsorship" and mailed to:

Teen Challenge of Baltimore
PO Box 301
Riderwood, MD 21139

The TCB website is currently under construction.

When available, donations can be made online.

HOPE BEGINS WITH A PHONE CALL

Are you or a loved one addicted to drugs? Is alcohol abuse becoming chronic? Have these and other life-controlling problems been spinning out of control? Teen Challenge offers a haven of hope.

Entry into the program begins with a phone call to our Intake Coordinator at 443.848.7399