



## WHAT'S YOUR CAUSE?

*"If you are faithful in little things,  
you will be faithful in large ones"*  
Luke 16:10a

We're only days away from setting out on the Dream Center 2012 trip, and I was recollecting the years (this will be the 4<sup>th</sup> year we're going) we have done this trip, yet I again was impacted with the simplicity of the vision of the Dream Center. In a nutshell, it was founded on the premise of "find a need and fill it" What started in a small church in Echo Park, has now grown to over 275 ministries under one roof, touching the greater Los Angeles area on a daily basis.

When we were there last year, the co-founder Matthew Barnett had just released his latest book "The Cause Within You" and it's the flipside of the same coin as "finding a need and filling it." The question he is posing is: "What cause, what passion, has God placed within you?" I strongly believe we all have a God given passion, something that God has placed in us that is meant to propel us and challenge us to get involved in the work of His Kingdom. For some, it might be a desire to teach kids, for some maybe reaching out to the homeless, another one to get involved with single mothers, etc. etc. But sometimes, it might be hard to know what that cause might be, but the advice I want to give you is to start with a need, fill it, and soon you will discover what your cause might be! Don't sit around to wait for something to happen, be proactive, be involved! What needs can you see around you? When you see one – act! Being faithful in that small thing, sets you up for greater things!

Matthew Carnahan was with us last year at the Dream Center and he's sharing about a ministry he started coming back from that time about how he found a passion meeting a need!

For the Kingdom,

Sam

To buy the book by Matthew Barnett, visit <http://bit.ly/hnMngu>

## HOW TO BE INVOLVED

Our vision is to see the body of Christ mobilized, becoming the very hands and feet of Jesus! Therefore we need you!!

Our heart is to provide you with opportunities to get involved on a number of levels, bringing you updates of the needs in the world around us and to help create a passion for you to become a world changer, right where you are at!

Therefore, here are some of the ways you can get involved!

- Get involved through serving through the various opportunities we have right here at Fathers House, such as being part of our outreaches or joining us on a mission trip! (See the latest resource flyer for info.)
- Stay in touch via Facebook: ([facebook.com/r3ach.usa](https://www.facebook.com/r3ach.usa)) and read our newsletter on our website ([R3ACH.org](http://R3ACH.org)).
- Support R3ACH through prayer and giving.
- Start supporting local, national and international ministries through prayer and giving of your time and resources. (See our resource flyer for more info.)
- Take a stand for Justice in your World as the Lord leads and opens doors.

## UPCOMING R3ACH EVENTS

**Jul 28 – Aug 5: Dream Center '12**

**August 26 – R3ACH Portland – Lemonade Edition**

**September – Launch of Without2**

**September 22 – Stop Child Trafficking Now 5k Walk**

Visit <http://bit.ly/Ljm7LY> for more info.

**September 30 – R3ACH Portland**

**2013: UK & Uganda Mission Trips**

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## THE RIDERS SHOP



### BIKE REPAIR

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Hi I'm Matt Carnahan and I had it put on my heart to start an organization that fixes and provides bikes to people who need them.

I was on a mission trip last summer down in Las Angeles, California and as we were working with the homeless on an outreach when this idea came to me. I was thinking back on something a preacher I'd heard the day before had said about what each of us can do to make a difference. The ministry I was working with is called the Dream Center and they have over two hundred ministries moving night and day through their renovated hospital and some of their ministries are so big and cause so much trouble that they have to keep a separate buildings location a secret. But other ministries are located in a single room or garden shack. After seeing so many different kinds of ways to help people I was inspired and began thinking back on any abilities I possessed, I was reminded of a day less than a month earlier that I saw a boy trying to fix his bike on the side of the road. I pulled my bike over and helped, it took me a few minutes to fix but it might have taken him a lot longer. As we talked I learned he lived on the other side of town and was already late and really needed his bike fixed. I haven't seen that boy since but the memory of being able to help sparked the idea that has consumed so much of this recent year, a bicycle repair ministry.

I saw a simple image of the shed in our back yard converted into a small bicycle repair shop and as I thought about it on the way back to Longview, WA the following week I began to make plans. When I told the idea to our pastor and others they loved it and wanted

to see what it would become, but when I told Larry Russell (the current director Love INC.) his enthusiasm inspired me to work harder. Eventually he extended the invitation for me to work as a branch of his non-profit organization and that's still the state we're in as of right now. As word began to spread I got donations of old or unused bicycles regularly from friends and family of friends. When my bible study group heard about the progress I was making they wanted to help and they became our first group of volunteers. Today we are in the process of moving from a small tin shed in my back yard to a fairly larger wooden shop on our new property and have about twenty bicycles that have been donated and need serviced before they're given out.

The more time we spend working with this bike ministry the more ideas would come in and help our efforts. The idea's spanned from a ride-a-thon or selling bicycle shaped bottle openers for funds to posting posters all over the high school areas to starting a mentorship program, all of which are being put into play right now or in the near future. We've considered doing a commercial or small program on the local TV station (KLTV) to get word out there but I think we'll wait until we're officially our own organization to use some of these idea's.

Needless to say I bet you'll probably be hearing something or other about us in the coming years but I hope you'll get involved somewhere, weather it's with our mission or someone elses.

Matt Carnahan  
Fathers House Church



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