

WWMD MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Providing hope and resources to our community with a smile.



"In everything Give Thanks"

A hard pill to swallow sometimes is to remember to give thanks during the ugly, bad and sad times. It's so easy to be grateful, happy and or appreciative during great times life affords us, but once the storm clouds roll it can be difficult to find reasons to give thanks.

As a Father losing my son has been the most life shattering event I have ever experienced in my life. I wouldn't wish this feeling on my worst enemy. It has change how I view everything. I have experienced many events throughout my life even in the US Military but the murder of my son has been the worse of them all.

Being the oldest brother there has been so many questions unanswered, so many prayers seemingly unanswered. I see my parents and other siblings suffer this pain and sometimes it becomes strenuous to see a reason to be thankful for the situation.

We both understand that we have not been "promised all sunshine, that's not the way it's supposed to be but a little rain, mixed with God's sunshine and a little pain which causes us to appreciate everything."

It has taken sometimes to get to where we are now but WWMD has allowed us both to see the power in being thankful. Yes, our situation is terrible but God loaned us Marcus and for that we are grateful for all the good times shared with him and also grateful to carry his name on in such a profound way as this organization.

As my son Devyn and I celebrate both our birthdays this month along with Thanksgiving and the next holidays to come we choose to express our Thanksgiving by celebrating life, each other, our family, the life of Marcus, our WWMD Supporters and the blessing to serve the Hilltop community. This experience has been a lesson for us to remember give thanks in everything. We encourage you to diligently search for a reason to give thanks, there is a reason to be found. Life can be brutal and it may take some time, we understand that but remember **"In Everything Give Thanks."**

MARK E. PAYNE, SR. & DEVYN A. COLEMAN, SR.

Members of The WWMD Leadership Team



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FEATURED RESOURCES

The Buckeye Ranch

In the mid-1950s, Central Ohio was blessed to have an organization known as the Women’s Juvenile Service Board, which later became The Buckeye Ranch Service Board. The caring and devoted women on this Board made it their mission to promote and support causes that ultimately strengthened the youth of this community. In 1961, after conducting considerable research, these women opened what was then called The Buckeye Boys Ranch, now known as The Buckeye Ranch.

The Buckeye Ranch opened as a treatment center for 10 young men and has now transitioned into one of the country’s leading providers of emotional, behavioral, and mental health services for children and families. Each day, more than 2,350 youth are in Ranch care, receiving services designed to help them become successful within their families, schools, and communities.

Today, The Buckeye Ranch operates from six different locations to better serve clients in Central and Southwestern Ohio. We pride ourselves on offering specialized programming designed to meet the needs of our clients and their families. Our staff of dedicated Ranch professionals is committed to helping each youth and family achieve their goals.

Since the beginning, The Buckeye Ranch mission has been, restoring hope and providing healing for children, youth, and families. More information can be found at <https://www.buckeyeranch.org/>



CompDrug

CompDrug offers a Pregnancy and Parenting Pathway program. This program provides wrap around services for pregnant people struggling with a Substance Use Disorder to ensure the health of both the patient and their infant. This pathway of services follows a patient through the duration of pregnancy and continues until the child’s 2nd birthday. The goal of the Pregnancy and Parenting Pathway program is to improve maternal and infant outcomes, promote family stability, and to reduce effects of Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS) and Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome (NOWS). This program is funded through The Maternal Opiate Medical Supports (MOMS) program of the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. More information can be found at <https://compdrug.org>

Miracle on Long Street

Birtherd out of St. Paul A.M.E. Church in Columbus OH the Miracle on Long Street started providing food, clothing, household items, toiletries, and school supplies.

For almost two decades we have devoted our time, energy, efforts and resources to passionately advocating for the hungry and those who encounter that occasional “Bump” in the road. We strive to develop partnerships with local, state and national organizations to help finance our monthly feeding, school supply drive, and our Annual Miracle Holiday Give. More information can be found at www.miracleonlongstreet.org



MOMCC ANNUAL FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL >>>

The WWMD Team supported MOMCC with a vendor table and a table for their Candy Table Hop. Through this event over 60 families visited to our vendor table, requested more information about WWMD and joined our mailing list.

For those who have not heard of MOMCC, Mothers of Murdered Columbus Children is an army of warriors who have been directly impacted by the murder of a child as a result of crime.

MOMCC is committed to proactive, positive action to promote peace and support mothers who have lost children to violence in Columbus, Ohio. More information can be found at: www.mothersofmurderedcolumbuschildren.com



COMMUNITY CLEAN UP >>>

Our Community Clean Up was a great success! We covered two streets Clarendon and Wheatland from Broad to Sullivant.

Special thanks to our volunteers who consistently sacrifice their time. WWMD appreciates YOU!

Over 30 full bags of trash was collected today.



WWMD FIRST FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT >>>

We are happy to report that our 1st Family Bowling Night was a complete success. We enjoyed fellowship, food, bowling, and laser tag. We even enjoyed some healthy competition with bowling and our raffle drawing. Seven lanes were filled with WWMD supporters, others stopped at our table to learn more about our mission and even donated.

We are grateful for the continuous love and support shown towards our efforts. We can't wait for the next Family Bowling Night. STAY TUNED!



WE ARE Thankful



SENTIMENTS OF THANKSGIVING FROM THE PAYNE BROTHERS



Devyn Coleman Sr.

"I am thankful for the ability to be a blessing to not only my family but the community as well. Growing up many people poured into my life in various ways, WWMD has given me an opportunity to serve not only our community, but those I know and those I don't know. At the end of the day we can all find something to be thankful for in short, I am grateful for salvation, life, health, strength, family, and the opportunity to serve."



Sherod Payne

"Being thankful for family, friends, accomplishments and blessings that we have received throughout the year. It also mean football, great food and most importantly creating new memories with people that you value the most."



Mark Payne Jr.

"I'm thankful for all of family and the knowledge I've gained from them throughout the years. I'm deeply grateful to have a brother like Marcus and all the trips we took together, time we spent together and conversations we had since we were little. I'm grateful at knowing such an intelligent, loving and genuine person that was so humble. I am grateful for the things I've learned from him while he thought he was learning from me. I'm also grateful for the opportunities giving to me and my family to help other families throughout the Hilltop and Columbus as a whole."

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Anthony Keels

"A reflection of Thanksgiving to me means having gratitude. Being thankful for what you do have in your life and the people in it. Enjoying the small things that a lot of people often take for granted. Enjoying the things you've been blessed with big or small."



Marcus Payne

"Victoria, without you there would be no me. Your love, your attention, your guidance, has made me who I am. Even when you're not near me you're forever in my heart"

-Word's taken from Marcus' tattoo of gratitude for his Mother Victoria



Maurice Payne

"I would say the meaning of Thanksgiving for me is giving thanks for all things good and lesson learned during the bad. It's a time when you should reflect on how far you've come this year and the help you have received along the way. My reflections make me feel so grateful and puts me in a mood to give to others. When I see the changes you can make in other's lives that could possibly put them in a position to help someone else's life. To me it's all about acknowledging the help you have received and giving to the ones who really may need it."



Free Westside Thanksgiving & Holiday Giveaways

Salvation Army: Christmas Toys & Meal Program

Franklin County residents can apply for Christmas toys for children 14 years of age and under, and a Christmas food box at any Salvation Army locations in Columbus. Westside location: 2300 W. Mound St, Columbus OH 43204. Parents/guardians will select toys and pick up the food box the week before Christmas.

Required documents to bring (no social security cards or numbers accepted): Picture identification for head of household ; Proof of dependents with birth dates for all household members. For more information, please call 614-221-6561 extension 600. No appointment is necessary during the following dates:

- Monday, October 20th from 10AM-1PM
- Monday, November 13th & 27th from 10AM-1PM & 5-7PM
- Wednesday, November 1st, 15th, & 29th from 10AM-1PM
- Wednesday, November 15th & 29th from 5-7PM
- Thursday, November 2nd, 16th, & 30th from 10AM-1PM
- Saturday, November 18th from 10AM-4PM

Free Thanksgiving & Holiday Meals at Westside Rec Centers:

- Holton Rec Center (303 N Eureka Ave):
 - Thanksgiving Dinner: served from 6-8PM on Wednesday, November 15th
 - Christmas Dinner: served from 6-8PM on Wednesday, December 13th
- Glenwood Rec Center (1888 Fairmont Ave)
 - Thanksgiving Dinner: served from 5-7PM on Thursday, November 16th
 - Christmas Dinner: served from 5-7PM on Thursday, December 14th
- Sullivant Gardens Rec Center (755 Renick St)
 - Thanksgiving Dinner: served at 5PM on Tuesday, November 21st
 - Christmas Dinner: served at 5PM on Wednesday, December 20th
- Dodge Rec Center (667 Sullivant Ave)
 - Turkey drive-thru giveaway: offered 3-8PM November 16th (1 turkey per car)
 - Thanksgiving Dinner: served from 3-5:30PM on Tuesday, November 21st
 - Christmas Dinner: served from 6-8PM on Tuesday, December 19th



Volunteer SPOTLIGHT >>>

The WWMD Team is proud to celebrate Ms. Nikia Jordan November 2023 Volunteer Spotlight.

Since the conception of WWMD she has supported our mission and continues to support through various ways.

It is our pleasure to show her our appreciation and love.

We take this time to publicly say
THANK YOU Nikia



Partner >>> SPOTLIGHT

The WWMD Team is proud to celebrate Bishop Cathy Scott and The Way of Holiness Church as our 2023 Partner Spotlight.

Since the beginning of WWMD Bishop Scott and members of her congregation has supported us financially, with volunteers, overall presence and support of our mission.

It is our pleasure to show Bishop Scott and the congregation of The Way of Holiness Church our appreciation and love.

We take this time to publicly say
THANK YOU T.W.O.H.



The Way of Holiness Apostolic Church Inc.
1088 E. Weber Road Columbus, OH 43211



WWMD UPCOMING EVENTS

WWMD614.org/events



VOLUNTEER FOR OUR EVENTS



wwmd614.org/volunteer

WHAT WE DO

What Would Marcus Do is a non profit organization with a mission to Restore Hope and Resources to the Hilltop Community and abroad.

We accomplish our mission through various services such as Resource Navigation, Neighborhood Clean Ups, Neighborhood Pop Ups, Holiday Drives, Laundry Assistance, The Marcus M. Payne Scholarship Fund and the M.P. Empowerment Academy.

We are founded on the selfless acts of love given to the community by Marcus Marquis Payne who was robbed, shot and murdered on September 11, 2021. Visit us at wwmd614.org

ON THE RIGHT PATH 2ND ANNUAL

Thanksgiving

Turkey Drop

Let's Share & Care

Join us helping community in need!

ONE TURKEY PER FAMILY

Must be a resident in the following zip codes:
43222, 43223, 43204

November 18th
12:00pm-2:00pm

Buckeye Ranch Parking Lot
2865 W Broad St,
Columbus, OH 43204

TO VOLUNTEER SIGN UP AT
wwmd614.org

For more information:
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