

IMPACT Ministries, an Evansville, Indiana, multi-faceted urban program focusing on youth.

OVERVIEW

PURPOSE

The programs stated purpose is "To honor and serve God by reflecting His love, compassion, redemption, strength and justice in our city." IMPACT Ministries offers a multi-faceted and multi-staffed urban program which focuses on youth but also serves a broader age-group.

PROGRAMS

IMPACT's Athletic Department summer program included:

- Summer Youth Baseball with 140 youth and 30 adult volunteers, with prayer before and after each game.
- Gospelize Aerobics, with 20 participants, aimed at strengthening women...also included prayer.
- God's Gym, teaching men to mentor inner city boys...weight training...asked two hours of volunteer time from each participant.
- Double Dutch, with 18 jump-roping participants..."Rope not Dope" for girls 6 to 13.
- Youth Basketball, with 30 boys from 9 to 18...activity included prayer and speakers.

Additionally, IMPACT offers other programs and activities:

- IMPACT Youth Summit. Suitable role models spoke at youth meetings about life and character.
- Summer Camp, a several-week, fun day camp, with devotions and teaching, trips to special sites, and service projects.
- IMPACT Outreach Team. Joins church fairs, sets up tables, and lets the community know of IMPACT's programs...recruits volunteers.

PROGRAM OPERATION AND TESTIMONIES

IMPACT's director is Mr. Howard E. Harper, Jr. IMPACT seeks support not only from its own city but from beyond. Indiana governor, Frank O'Bannon, and Senator Richard Lugar have visited and support IMPACT. For more information, contact: IMPACT Ministries, 720 SE 8th Street, Evansville, IN 47713, (812)422-7607

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