



"Impacting Our Youth"

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A Better Tomorrow, Inc. is now MV Certified

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On November 3, A Better Tomorrow's Founder /CEO, Administrator and Board of Directors completed Ministry Venture's "Ministry Mastery Program" and received certification for successfully completing training, coaching and certification in Ministry Best Practices.

Ministry Ventures has been equipping ministries for Christ in the Atlanta area since 1999. In 2007 they began coaching and training ministries throughout the United States. MINISTRY MASTERY Program centers on the 5 Best Practices of Prayer, Board of Directors, Ministry Model, Administration, and Fundraising. It also includes executive coaching around professional temperament and leadership assessments. Deliverables are required for most of the coaching calls, and ministries can be certified only by demonstrating that they completed all of the 65 Standards for Best Practices.

In order to complete the MINISTRY MASTERY Program, A Better Tomorrow had to complete:

Prayer: Establish a prayer team and strategy to focus on spiritual growth and protection

Board: Develop a fully engaged board to effectively fulfill their vision

Ministry Model: Document their ministry plan with financials to raise support from major donors and foundations

Administration: Develop and implement systems to maximize ministry impact, improve management effectiveness, and comply with IRS requirements

Fundraising: Fully fund the ministry's short-term financial needs and plan for long-term Sustainability.

ABT's Founder/CEO and Board of Directors would like to give a special thanks to the Maclellan Foundation for recognizing the growth potential of our organization and our future impact on the city of Chattanooga.



ABT'S LEADERS OF TOMORROW PROGRAM HELD A "WHO ARE YOU FORUM"

The "Who Are You?" Forum took place on Friday, November 11, 2010. The focus of the forum was dialog between the youth and city leaders. Participants were high school students from several school in Hamilton County. They watched a documentary called "To Live and Die in America" then participated in open dialog with panel guest which included: Mr. Eric Foster - Power 94 DJ, Mr. Vincent Phipps, Mrs. Jackie Tankersley- Parks & Rec. Mr. Russell Gilbert-Chattanooga City Counsel, and Lt. Curtis Greene-CSTCC Police Dept.



On The Road



One of the problems our students have is a lack of transportation. It is a hardship for some parents to transport their children to the afterschool location.

On October 29th, ABT acquired a 26-passenger bus from Greater Deliverance Ministries in Athens, TN. In the past, we have had to rent vans or pay for charter bus services to take our students on educational field trips. This bus will help our organization save the money used on charter bus services and put more into programming. This is a 1990 Ford Bus and does need some repairs and upkeep. If you would like to donate toward the \$5,000 needed for repairs, painting / logo placement and insurance, please donate online at: www.abettertomorrowinc.org or make checks payable to A Better Tomorrow, Inc.



WE NEED YOU

If your passion is helping the youth and you would like to volunteer some of your time, please contact our office to sign up for one of our orientations.

We need volunteers for our afterschool programs.

Our youth need caring adults & college students who are willing to share their life experiences.

**Call Felecia Morgan, Programs Director.
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