

Local Kingdom Calling

Throughout his time in *The Master's Program*, Charles Curtis wrestled with where his Kingdom Calling would send him. He investigated several options in Russia, Kenya, and even other states across



America until he realized that God had already started to call him to serve in his hometown. A perfect fit for *The Master's Program*, Charles entered ready to look for what he would do with the rest of his life. His time spent with the Atlanta group helped him understand how best to manifest his Christian leadership in the marketplace.

Concurrent with his *Master's* experience, Charles was actively serving as an elder in his home church and had been invited by the Missions Council there to start a new local initiative. Along with the Associate Pastor, Richard Hill, Charles started an affordable housing ministry known as AHMEN (Affordable Housing Ministries Enhancing Neighborhoods). Their mission is to preserve and expand the supply of affordable housing in their community while providing resources and care to those they are serving. Soon, Charles realized that his current Kingdom Calling was to lead AHMEN, and this focused energy provided for an incredible return.

Sharing the Vision

This local initiative has involved over 1,000 members of his local church as volunteers, and has partnered with two local non-profits that provide emergency and transitional housing. This volunteer-run force has now gutted and renovated

8 duplex units for a local non-profit, established a regular maintenance team for landscaping needs, and developed a program to mentor families on how to qualify for owning their own home.

Calling Convergence

Because of his time in *The Master's Program*, Charles was able to decipher the code of his created uniqueness and is confident that his current role with AHMEN fits his talent and skill set perfectly. He has been able to focus on his strengths in the ministry, and delegate everything else to others on the leadership team. While he still works full-time as president of Site Technologies, he sees his current Kingdom Calling play out using his discretionary time to lead the AHMEN ministry and the Ahmen Affordable Housing Corporation. The latter has spun out of AHMEN and will purchase distressed homes, renovate them with the volunteer labor force, and sell them to families in the 50-80% of median income that have been through their home ownership mentoring process. Low interest loans and forgivable second mortgages will work together to offer families that work in the community an affordable housing option.

Charles is clear about the fact that AHMEN is not about him. It exists because the people in his church were able to latch onto the vision to reach out to the people living and working in their city. This Revolutionary has been able to leverage his talents for the biggest returns...he is using his marketplace skills to yield big returns for the Kingdom, in serving the people in his own community.

Charles and his wife, Kathy, reside in Roswell, Georgia and are active in their home church, Roswell Presbyterian.

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