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2026 SPONSOR PACKET

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ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BANQUET



YOU'RE INVITED

Date: Saturday, May 16, 2026

Time: 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Location: Grace Fellowship 1449 Refugee Road Pickerington, OH 43147

Please RSVP By: Monday, May 11

Register and learn more at reachtni.org/events

WHAT TO EXPECT

The RTNI Annual Banquet is a time of celebration and inspiration. There is never a dull moment as we bring together pictures, videos, live testimonials, and interactive conversation. You won't want to miss updates on the Resurrection Center and ministry highlights from the past year.

HOST A TABLE

Please consider hosting a table of 8 and inviting your networks of friends, family, or anyone who might be interested in connecting to the work God is doing through RTNI in our city! Visit reachtni.org/host for more.

“I have attended three RTNI Banquets, and have enjoyed each one so much. The food and fellowship is always at a premium - lots of good memories! It’s also a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the impact RTNI is having in our city.” – Chris, Volunteer & Donor



SPONSORSHIP

Would you consider being a sponsor? The first \$4,000 in sponsorships will cover the cost of the banquet, allowing us to share the vision of **life transformation** and **community impact**. After that, all sponsorship funds go straight to our work of life-on-life discipleship.

Event Sponsor | \$20,000 & Above

Champion Sponsor | \$7,500 - \$19,999

Advocate Sponsor | \$2,500 - \$7,499

Supporter Sponsor | \$1,000 - \$2,499

Friend Sponsor | \$350 - \$999



SCAN TO DONATE

Benefits for Sponsorships

Event | Name/logo on a banner on stage, plus Champion benefits

Champion | Name mentioned during the banquet presentation, plus Advocate benefits

Advocate | Name/logo on the banquet online registration page, plus Supporter benefits

Supporter | Name in the banquet background slideshow, plus Friend benefits

Friend | Name in the banquet program

How To Give

reachtni.org/donate or RTNI P.O. Box 2556 Columbus, OH 43216

“The work done at RTNI will reverberate throughout the nations! Many lives have been impacted by this ministry including mine. I am excited to sow into the fertile ground that is RTNI. I consider myself blessed to be able to partner with a ministry with a Kingdom agenda.”

- Jasmine, Volunteer & Donor



NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

We are renovating our new Ministry Center at 870 E 5th Ave. The space is perfect for youth discipleship, community outreach, skills training, and prayer gatherings. We call it the Resurrection Center, believing that many will find **New Life in Christ**.

We see beyond a construction zone to a space teeming with life, where people of all ages are **transformed by the gospel**. We envision young people telling their friends about Jesus, and getting academic assistance and exposure to trade skills. Together, let's equip a generation of young people for a life on-mission, across the block or across the globe!

Our total project cost is \$400,000, and we are thankful for the \$130,000 we have raised so far. Below are a few of the **upcoming projects**:



Rough-in Plumbing | \$42,000

We are adding 6 new restrooms to help make the Resurrection Center accessible and hospitable to everyone.



HVAC SYSTEM | \$17,000

It's time to update the heating and cooling system throughout the building.



Termite Damage Repair | \$25,000

You never know what is hiding beneath the surface until you start digging. We are thankful for a great team working on fixing old termite damage.



Fire Egress & Access | \$6,000

Safety is always our number-one priority for our youth, and having more windows and doors will help us be prepared in case of an emergency.

“I love that at Young Disciples you are always talking about Jesus and you always give us stuff. You guys care about us. You guys love us. You give us our life, basically. I don't know what I would do without you, because you are my family. I love learning new things when I'm with you, like that I should treat all people fair, even if they are mean to me.” - Diana, age 11



WHO WE ARE

RTNI is an Urban Ministry in Columbus, OH, serving in the Milo-Grogan, Linden, and Trevitt communities since 2007. We connect with students and families in hard places with the goal of life-on-life discipleship. We are intentionally present in our communities and the lives of the youth and families who live there. Relationships formed at scheduled programming often become discipleship opportunities and *lifelong friendships*.

Being a part of each other's every-day lives allows ministry to be flexible and relevant, and the value of RTNI AS FAMILY has helped inform our programming.

HOW WE SERVE

- **Youth Programs:** age specific Bible studies and mentoring groups
- **Academic Help:** reading, math, and science
- **Skill Building:** cooking, art, bicycle repair, lawn care, auto mechanics, etc.
- **Field Trips:** team building, citizenship, fitness, art, agriculture, leadership, college visits, and civil and global human rights
- **Community:** prayer tent at the corner store, safe places to connect, and an organic produce garden

Daily discipleship is our most important work. Apart from programming, students and neighbors stop by RTNI ministry houses to connect with staff and interns (2,000+ visits per year). We build trust, process hard issues, and celebrate transformation through life-on-life discipleship.

VISION

People in hard communities everywhere reached with the gospel and equipped to reach others

MISSION

Empowering people to live out their identity in Christ through life-on-life discipleship

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When Aaron and Emily Starr moved to Milo-Grogan with a vision to **disciple people in hard places**, Reaching the Nations International (RTNI) was born.

The Starrs made their personal home on 2nd Avenue a base of ministry in February 2007, and since that time, more than 1,500 youth have spent time in their home or participated in RTNI activities. Neighbors of all ages come to their home to enjoy playing games, sharing food, and talking about how **God impacts their every-day lives**.

**"We loved you so much that we shared with you not only God's Good News but our own lives, too."
(1 Thessalonians 2:8)**

RTNI started in Milo-Grogan and has grown to serve families in the Linden and Trevitt communities. We partner with dozens of churches and organizations to see transformative, Christ-centered change in our communities.

Twenty-one School of Servanthood participants have lived in our three ministry houses, serving youth and neighbors. Over 1,000 volunteers have been a part of the RTNI family, and each have been changed by the bright, tenacious youth they serve.

RTNI recognizes urban youth as **uniquely equipped to be leaders** and influencers for the Kingdom of God because of their connection to both the suffering and compassion of Jesus.

**“MINISTRY IS A LIFESTYLE, NOT AN EVENT,
WHEN YOU ARE A PART OF THE RTNI FAMILY.”**



LAST 10 YEARS



16,000+ drop-in visits

Students and adults of all ages stop by our ministry houses throughout the day, sometimes for a quick drink of water, and sometimes for a long chat.



700+ youth impacted by programs

Whether they come once or twice with a friend, or get connected for years, each student is important.



100+ students connected for 5+ years

Long-term, trusting relationships are the foundation for discipleship.



1,000+ volunteers

Whether you served on a one-time project or are a part of our regular team, Thank You!

40,000+

Hours of service

Staff, interns and volunteers work together to make lasting change.



30+ churches partnering with volunteers or funds

When Christians work together, Christ is glorified.



1,000+ Prayer tent recipients

Our pop-up prayer tent at the local corner store has been a source of encouragement to many.



250+ students growing in reading comprehension

Wholistic ministry includes preparing students for life.



60+ skills camp participants

From repairing brakes to baking brownies, our students are engaging in hands-on learning.

5,000+ Ministry Hours Outside of Programming

Spending time with students, families and alumni on an everyday basis is our heartbeat.



"I met Aaron and Emily when I was six years old at Jesus Fun Days in my neighborhood. The activities were fun and I went every Saturday for three or four years. I remember we did water balloons every week, and one time I made a hopscotch that was super long. Going to Bible study helped me get a lot closer to God than I was before. The leaders there taught me how to follow His path. I have learned that **God is powerful**, He died for our sins, and He will forgive you for anything. Growing closer to God has given me someone to look up to who is bigger than anyone. I can talk to Him and feel safe." – Joy, age 18

"Hi, my name is Jami. I've been in Young Disciples since I was 4. I have learned that God is over us, protecting us, and we need to respect him. The devil is a creature that only wants chaos in the world, and God only wants peace and love in the world. God loves us even more than other people love us. So that is why we should believe in God and love Him always." – Jami, age 10

"When I first came to Bible Study, I would show a lot of anger and have a lot of energy, but the leadership of RTNI taught me that it's ok to relax and be calm. Sometimes I don't talk a lot at Bible study, but I like to come and just listen. Bible studies and tutoring are a lot of fun, and you get to learn about God. What could be better than that? I have so many good memories, but my favorite is when more than 50 of us go to the Marmon Valley Horse Farm each year at Christmas time. It's good to be with my siblings, friends, and the larger RTNI Family - reliving the excitement of the birth of Jesus, eating cookies, and drinking hot chocolate. This is a childhood memory I will never forget. – Ni'Asia, age 19

"I am a Young Disciple, and I go to Bible Study, read the Bible, pray, and remember God. I think that Bible Study is amazing for kids who want to learn about God because God helped poor people, blind people, and people who did not have water. But people still put him on the cross in return. He gave us everything we needed, but we gave him pain and misery." – Revel, age 11

"Just wanted to say thank you for embracing and loving my babies. ❤️ I consider you **my village** and I thank you from the bottom to the top of my heart. We are blessed to have someone like you. Thank you 😊" – A Parent