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Howard

MINISTRY LEADER:

Damien Howard

FAMILY:

Sharial (wife)
Gabrielle

MINISTRY CALLING:

Together Chicago

BACKGROUND:

Damien Howard has been in the field of education for two decades, primarily as a Special Education teacher, Mentor, and Mentor Trainer. Chicago Defender named Damien a 2020 Man of Excellence and he has appeared on numerous local media outlets sharing his ideas on Urban Education Reform. Damien taught at Chicago schools such as Phillips, Crane High School, and Urban Prep High School - with an emphasis on Chicago's South and West sides. Throughout his time teaching, Damien experimented with different ways to combine Social Emotional Learning and Mentoring practices to help bring reform to Chicago's Education landscape. Damien now serves as the Founder of SEL Plus and the Director of Education Initiatives for Together Chicago. Damien is excited to help lead projects that address the top priorities of Chicago School Leaders. Damien was able to help raise \$15,000 for Doolittle to launch new electives classes to increase student interest in school. Damien is currently working on bringing laundry, showers, and a food resource room to Melody Elementary School to address urgent needs within the West Garfield Park community.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Partnerships to expand Social Emotional Services and training city wide.

OUR VALUES:

CULTURALLY- INCLUSIVE
ENDURING COLLABORATION
HYPER-LOCAL
INTENTIONAL MULTIPLICATION
SCRIPTURALLY -ROOTED
FERVENT PRAYER



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