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# **Your Monthly Newsletter**

**NOVEMBER 2023** 



### **NEW PATHWAYS FOR GOOD DADS**

# GRADUATION

We can't think of a more inspiring photo than this one from Sunday's Good Dads graduation! We honored 22 men at the Downtown Church last weekend to celebrate the dads who met all the requirements in the New Pathways for Good Dads program.

These men have truly accomplished so much. They completed both classes in the program, secured stable employment, and are contributing to the wellbeing of their families. Hats off to you, dads! Your achievements are changing the world.

# **CONGRATULATIONS!**

As these dads strive to be the best dads that they can be, we want to remind them that Good Dads is here to support them and encourage them in their journeys. Everyone at Good Dads is so proud to be a part of your journey. YOU are the reason we do what we do!

## **PROGRAM GRADUATES**

Graduates accepted their certificates and posed for a photo in their new suits with Good Dads Board of Directors President-elect Joshua Wemple and Founder/Executive Director Dr. Jennifer Baker.



John Carlson



Jake DeShazo



Thomas Divine



## Heath Ellington



Christopher Garrard



Joel Gulley



Cole Heimann



Kyle Johnson



**Christopher Jones** 



Eddie "Ben" Lewis



David Maynard



Adam Mueller



Timothy "TJ" McCracken



Chase McWilliams



Danny Paxton



Randy Potts



Tyler Rusk



John Russell



Travis Seek



Cameron Stephens



Jacob Whitehill



Austin Zavala



**Dustin Weatherman** 



**Watch the Graduation Ceremony** 

## **UPCOMING CLASSES**



Discover how to become the best parent you can be at an upcoming **Good Dads 2.0** class at Springfield Recovery Community Center on Wednesday evenings. The start date is not yet decided, but registration is open now.

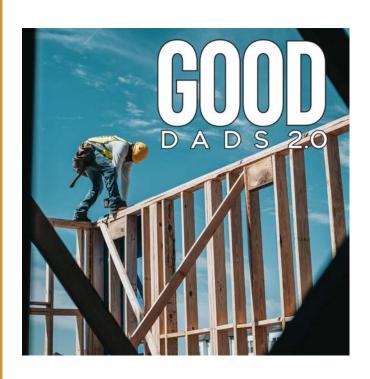
#### **Directions To SRCC**





Learn the best strategies for healthy friendships, family and romantic relationships in Within My Reach.
New Class will begin in January 2024 at the Restoration of Hope project.
Registration is open now.

#### **Directions to Restoration of Hope**



Discover how to become the best parent you can be at an upcoming **Good Dads 2.0** class at Victory Mission on Monday evenings. The start date is not yet decided, but registration is open now.

**Directions to Victory Mission** 

## **How to Sign Up**

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## **GOOD DADS IN THE NEWS**



JOPLIN, Mo. — Nine men, all with a similar past, have *two* things in common — they're working on bettering themselves... And they're all fathers.

They make up about a third of recent graduates from a program designed to help dads strengthen bonds with their kids. We learn more about the "Good Dads" program:

Twenty four men are walking to "Pomp and Circumstance" in celebration of a special kind of graduation.

#### MORE FOUR STATE NEWS:

#### Missouri

- Barry County
- Barton County
- Jasper County
- McDonald County
- Newton County
- Vernon County

Kansas

We're thrilled our dads were featured on Joplin's Channel KSN during Sunday's Graduation. Check out the awesome news story!

**Good Dads in the News** 

**CLASS COMPLETION** 

We love to celebrate class completions!
Congratulations to the most recent class to complete
Good Dads 2.0 at Victory Mission!



Fathers led by facilitators Ronnie Merritt and Tracy Swanson completed their class at the end of last month. We love seeing big smiles on the faces of these good dads! Way to go!

## **MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES**

Did you know Good Dads posts exclusive, brand-new mental health resources every week on our website? Check out our newest content now!

This month on the podcast and blog, we're focusing on **Breaking the Pattern.** Throughout the month, we'll investigate what it means to break bad habits, develop good ones and help others along the way. We have four articles this month, and we hope you'll join us for real stories about starting new disciplines, helping others break their patterns and how different systems in our brains interact.



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