

# FUTURE MEN INITIATIVE

BY SERVE TAYLOR AFTERSCHOOL





## OUR MISSION

To inspire students facing traumatic hardships and/or generational poverty to develop healthy, intergenerational relationships, and build brighter futures for themselves, their families, and their communities.







## MEET OUR DIRECTOR

Caleb Ripple and his wife EJ married in 2007 and now have seven children yet alive, 6 rambunctious future men and 1 ferocious girl. He is one of the founders and the director of Serve Taylor Afterschool which began in 2015 and a founder and teacher at Koinonia Classical Christian School (est. 2018). He has been a pastor at Christ Fellowship Church in Taylor, Texas since 2007, and loves making music and working outside, getting his hands dirty.





## FUTURE MEN

Our mission is going to be effectively accomplished by taking a focused aim at mentoring and specifically by cultivating relationships that resemble and reflect those of a brother or father. By facilitating classic boyhood adventures and recreation, in a disciplined way, we are instilling the skills, habits, and characteristics of good and proper men. Skills such as patience and endurance; habits such as self-sacrifice and a hard work ethic; characteristics

such as loyalty and courage. By this, we will effectively help create healthy, thriving young men who go on to make positive impacts in their own families and in our communities. Men equipped and empowered to work hard and make wise decisions, raise sturdy families, and start businesses of their own, benefiting themselves and creating a brighter future for the next generation and the world around them.



## MORE THAN FACTS

Kids need more than facts, they need character—they need to know how to live. Education is the transfer of a way of life. The boys in the Future Men Initiative will be shown and taught a way to live that sadly too many of today's children have rarely or never experienced.



## TRANSFERRING A WAY OF LIFE

A life well-lived will be one where they see not only themselves but the wide world around them. By facilitating adventure, we broaden creativity and imagination. We tell a better story and challenge our boys to think about those stories they love and the one they live.



## STORIES LIVED

What character are you? The one everyone sees and hates or the one they want to be like? Through relationships with those of different generations, we want to expose our boys to the lives of others in their community and help them to broaden their vision and learn to live their story well.







## WHY SUPPORT US

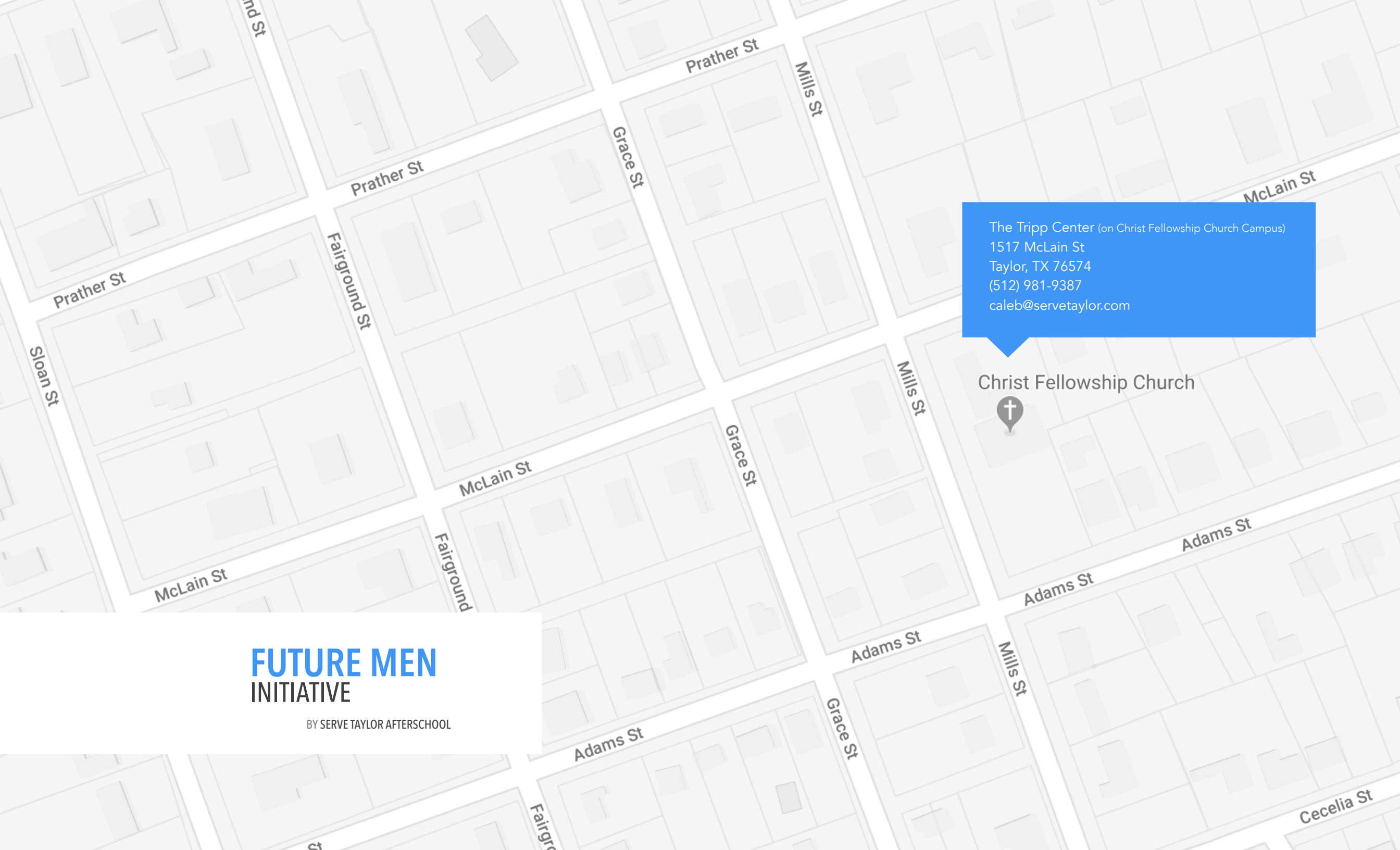
The population of boys we serve are those in a kind of no-man's land. Generally, they are not so far gone as to be involved with the judicial system and not so troubled as to need psychiatric intervention. At the same time, they are not equipped to fully function in common environments, programs, and activities and on both sides of this spectrum there are lots of well-funded programs.

You should support the Future Men Initiative because just as with a home or car, it is a wise decision to spend money to keep a little problem from becoming a big one, not simply reacting to the catastrophic problems. We are seeking to equip boys to altogether avoid problems many other programs exist to correct. Because we know this must be done in the context of healthy relationships, we are relentlessly patient with our boys as we methodically focus on the long term character growth by daily instilling skills and habits that will facilitate and lead to that growth.

### PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING THE FUTURE MEN INITIATIVE TODAY.

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