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new possibilities.

## REBRAND

As you may know, our ministry recently rebranded to Josiah White's. Though our name and look has slightly changed, we will continue to live out our founder's original vision by creating new possibilities for children, teens, and families through foster care, residential treatment, and family preservation services. The new brand will now better point back to, honor, and reflect the legacy and vision of its founder, Josiah White, while also looking towards the future.

"One of the treasures of working for this ministry is the great history on which we are building our future," said Ron Evans, President and CEO. "Our history is the legacy of Josiah White, a man of great vision, a man who wanted to use his wealth to serve those in greatest need in the name of Christ. As such, effective this fall we will be recognized as Josiah White's and will be dropping Residential and Family Services from our name. We continue to be a ministry who serves those in greatest need in the name of Jesus Christ, our hope and our Savior."

Through the rebranding process, the research identified that the essence of what has defined and what will continue to define Josiah White's is "new possibilities".

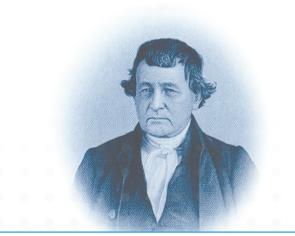
"We believe the future of those in our care is not defined by what has happened in their past but is instead full of new possibilities," said Evans. "We offer these new possibilities through providing a Christian foster home, teaching life skills, providing avenues to graduate from high school, using proven clinical modalities to reframe childhood trauma, cultivating work skills, and most importantly through introducing them to Jesus Christ."

As a ministry, we will continue to provide healthy second chances through extraordinary care and competence and thoughtful ingenuity. We are grateful to God for His faithful presence and provision throughout the years, and He remains the foundation of this ministry as it undergoes this change and continues to grow and develop.

#### ABOUT THE NEW LOOK

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The new visual brand and logo is based off of the image to the left. All the dots represent the people the ministry serves, whereas the different colored dot represents that Josiah White's sees each person as an individual, honors their inherent worth in Christ, and helps them discover new possibilities for their future. The work done at Josiah White's is about making those new possibilities achievable. Knowing each individual's worth gives the team at Josiah White's the persevering hope to keep offering healthy second chances to those they serve.



### FROM THE WILL OF JOSIAH WHITE

"My design and intent... [is for this to be] a spiritual education... believing that such a religious education... would, under the blessing of the Savior

and Redeemer, who does so much, and

also died for men, be a blessing to many

through life...

So I hope and fervently pray, that [White's] will, under the divine blessing, be His greater instrument through the present and after ages in adding souls to Him in His glorious world to come."

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# FREEDOM TO CHOOSE

When Ava first came to Compass Rose Academy (CRA), she claimed to be an atheist. She questioned God's existence and presence in her life because of what she had been through in her past. Ava was tired of having Christianity shoved down her throat and became resistant to it. All these things formed her expectations of what she'd experience at Compass Rose. However, Ava was shocked to find things different than she anticipated.

When Ava told CRA staff that she was an atheist, they didn't judge her or try to reason with her. Instead, they accepted her as she was. At CRA, Ava felt freedom to choose Christianity for herself, instead of feeling forced into it. By the end of her time at CRA, Ava began calling herself a Christian and encouraging new CRA students to "trust the process," reassuring them that they would be accepted, loved, and respected no matter what they believed.

"No matter what I've done, the mistakes I've made, or how I've acted certain days, no one here has ever thought of me differently or shown me less love."

Ava is so grateful for the opportunities the oncampus spiritual life programming gave her to explore her beliefs and ultimately, accept Christ. In an effort to continue to improve our spiritual life programming, Compass Rose recently hired LilyAnn Matchett as the new Student Chaplain. Compass Rose is thrilled to have LilyAnn to help young women like Ava navigate their questions about God and grow in their relationships with Him and look forward to watching God continue to work on our new campus!

# HE NEXT CHAPTER

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ACADEMY ×

Compass Rose Academy (CRA), is praising God for the ways He is moving in and through this ministry. We recently celebrated the official ribbon cutting of our beautiful new campus!

We broke ground on this uniquely Christian clinical campus on the south end of our Wabash campus in August 2020, after realizing the need for our therapeutic residential services for teen girls had grown beyond our current capacity. Throughout the construction process, each detail was thoughtfully considered to create an ideal setting for growth and healing.

When fully completed, this intentionally designed environment will double our residential capacity from 24 to 48 students. It includes six residential homes, a staff housing complex, and a multi-purpose building. The new staff housing will be able to accommodate up to 20 staff members. The multi-purpose building, called "The Hub", contains academic classrooms, therapy spaces, a nurse's clinic, and administrative offices.

The new Compass Rose campus will also include a therapeutic farm where our students will experience God through His creation. They will participate in the "Garden as a Classroom" project–based learning experience through The Academy. Our students will learn to apply principles of core subject areas through engaging in real–world scenarios and projects. They will develop an understanding of how food is grown and develop a healthy and well–rounded relationship with food. Our students will also care for and engage with animals, including a therapy dog in each home, as it has been proven that people who struggle with attachment, trauma, depression, and other issues in functioning benefit from these bonds.

We are so excited for this next chapter in the Compass Rose story and thank God for the generosity of donors who made it possible!

### a mother's faithful presence

Jennifer, a Josiah White's foster parent, showed extraordinary care during a recent reunification. After having two foster children in her home for a year, the children were reunified with their mother. Throughout their year in foster care, Jennifer honored the inherent worth of the children's biological mother by mentoring her and taking the children to her home for visits because she did not have transportation. When the children were reunified with their mom, Jennifer furnished their home with beds and bedding for the two children, toy chests, and a kitchen table and chairs for the family to share meals together. Jennifer has maintained a faithful presence in the children's lives by taking care of them while their biological mom has doctor's appointments. Jennifer's support of the reunification has helped the children transition smoothly back into their home.

### THANK YOU IMPACT PARTNERS!

Businesses statewide have invested in the future of Indiana's workforce by becoming Impact Partners! Impact Partners support Josiah White's Growing Teens for Life vocational development program, which teaches life skills through onthe-job work experience. Impact Partners help provide teens with access to industry-based certifications, allow them to earn vouchers, and help finance their next stage of life. Thank you to our Impact Partners for making a lasting difference in the lives of students who are working hard to equip themselves for Indiana's workforce.

"Investing in GTFL is genuinely investing in kids' lives, their whole lives. [Investors] might just be saving kids' lives. I know my life has changed in a way I never thought was possible."

- Growing Teens for Life Alumnus

"I was fortunate to learn a valuable lesson early in life, 'You can only go as far in life as you've been taught.' There are far too many children and young adults left behind in learning key elements to successful living. In the years I have been involved with Josiah White's, I have seen dedication to providing the knowledge and practical experience required to move young people toward success. I am proud to help keep the momentum moving."

- Chuck Goodrich, President & CEO, Gaylor Electric 2021 Impact Partner

## CATAPULT RIBBON CUTTING



Our founder, Josiah White, desired to create a place where children in need could receive a spiritual, academic, and vocational education. What this has looked like within our organization has evolved over time, but these three elements have continued to be a part of what we offer here throughout our 170-year history.

More specifically, our Growing Teens for Life (GTFL) program was designed to fulfill Josiah's wish to provide vocational training and has continued to expand since its inception. We most recently celebrated the launch of our new Catapult advanced manufacturing and logistics training course in partnership with Conexus Indiana. This new program will equip residential students with the skills needed to obtain one of the 85,000 open jobs in the manufacturing sector throughout the state, demonstrating our commitment to thoughtful ingenuity.

Much like the other worksites that are a part of GTFL, this new course will provide students with healthy second chances in the form of work experience, professionally-recognized certifications, and new possibilities for their futures. Acquiring these skills inspires confidence that allows these students to recognize their inherent worth in Christ.

Josiah White's is thrilled about their partnership with Conexus that allows them to offer this new opportunity to students in the GTFL program and looks forward to continuing to equip residential students with the skills they need for their future.

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### Join the Josiah White Heritage Society!

Would you like to be added to the growing number of friends that have joined the Josiah White Heritage Society?

Here are a few of the options available to include Josiah White's in your estate plan:

- Will or Other Bequest
- Charitable Gift Annuity
- Life Insurance Policy
- IRA or Retirement Account Provision
- Life Estate
- Trusts