

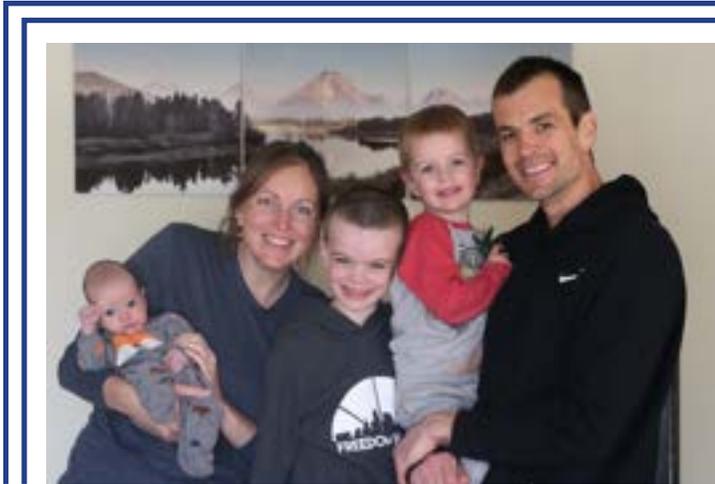


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Hope Found.

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2022 Winter Quarterly Report



This past winter we welcomed our third son Stephen to the Loney family. Going from two to three children has definitely been an adjustment, and the prayers, meals, and encouragement from many of you continue to lift our spirits.

I truly believe Freedom Hoops is in the best position we have ever been in. We have a solid vision and mission embraced by our staff and leaders. Our young men are excited as ever. We continue to have growing pains and areas to improve, but God has been faithful. God continues to remind me that patience is a fruit of the Spirit and something I need to embody.

This winter we spent time with our young men watching them compete for their schools, attending open gyms, checking in with our young men, and preparing for what God will do this spring and summer as we live out and share the gospel.

Thank you for your faithful support as we *cultivate disciples...on the court and 1-on-1.*

Michael Loney
Executive Director



WINTER UPDATE

As of March 31...

1,065

*Life-on-life hours
with youth*

327

meals served

140

*volunteer
hours*

70

*youth
reached*

10 by 10/10 Update

Our big goal this year is to have 10 disciplers trained, connected, and pursuing a discipling relationship with our youth by October 10th.

We are continuing to train up and equip four leaders who are interested in discipling our young men. Over the winter, six new leaders began serving at Freedom Hoops. Some have expressed interest in discipling our young men off the court. We have also met with a few churches to share our vision.

Please continue to pray that the God of the harvest will bring in the laborers to disciple our young men.

If you know someone who would like to lead at Freedom Hoops, scan this code:





IMPACT STORY

- D'VANTE MOSBY

“Coach, can we get into the gym tomorrow?”

Shawndale King, one of our most consistent high school players, is eager to get into the gym again. When asked at the beginning of 2022, “What do you want to get out of this year?” Shawndale resolved to be more committed to practicing basketball and becoming a better leader. Three months into the year, and he sends me frequent text messages about wanting to get into the gym.

This has allowed Shawndale and I to grow our relationship and spend time together outside of Tuesday night practices. As we meet, I get to hear more of his story little-by-little; what he is passionate about, his goals, his family. I also get to share my experiences from my days in high school and college to now being a father and husband. We talk often about how my faith in Christ has impacted it all. One Sunday, Shawndale tagged along with me to church where he had very thoughtful questions and observations about the message. We conversed about church and the Gospel throughout the entire day - a day where he spent time with my family, came to my men’s league game and even had a meal with other godly men from the team after the game.

I pray that God would continue to give more moments like these for leaders and students at Freedom Hoops!



D'Vante Mosby
Basketball Culture & Operations Director





OUR TEAMS

We held tryouts in mid-March at Brush Creek Community Center. During tryouts, we shared the gospel with more than 70 young men who tried out for our teams. From the tryouts we selected two teams: one middle school and one high school team.

2022 Schedule

April 1-3	Lincoln	June 25-26	Kansas City (MS)
April 8-10	Des Moines (HS)	July 1-3	St. Louis
April 22-24	Kansas City	July 6-10	Atlanta (HS)
May 6-8	Kansas City	July 22-24	Kansas City
May 27-29	Oklahoma City	July 29-31	Lincoln
June 5-11	Summer Camp (Branson)		

As we practice, have meals, compete, and travel, pray that God's Spirit would move mightily on our teams as we strive to see courageous disciples of Jesus.





SPORTING KC FUNDRAISER

I'm nervous.

Anxious.

Wondering how this is all going to work out.

It's our first time working a concession stand at Sporting KC to raise money for our trip to Atlanta in July.

We load our young men into the van and head west on I-70 to park at Children's Mercy Park.

We receive instructions and are still not entirely sure how it will work. Then as the customers begin coming, our young men rise to the challenge and do a remarkable job.

We bond. We smile. We serve hundreds of people.

Sporting KC wins 1-0. Fireworks go off. The fans celebrate. We celebrate.

The last three hours we served customers nonstop and bonded as a team.

Despite my worry, our team did awesome, AND we got praises from three Sporting KC staff on how well we did.

You can support us in two ways:

- 1) Volunteer: we receive \$80/person who volunteers**
- 2) Support our stand while attending a game**

We are scheduled the following dates:

April 30 September 17
May 18 October 2

Our first two times working have been amazing for our team building, and we are excited for the rest of the times we serve.



2022 MEDIA DAY



Our young men had a great time during our 3rd annual media day, wearing our new jerseys. Check out the video from media day here:





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Our jerseys were provided by the Andy Blake Group. The Andy Blake Group continues to be generous to us, and our young men love looking like they are in the NBA! They can also help you find a great home here in Kansas City.



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