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D.L. Rogers, Executive Director  
Brenda Rogers, Administrative Director  
RJ Eaton, Director of Operations  
Randy Brown, Director



## Sponsor a Lifeline-connect Resident

Our average cost per resident per year is \$17,800 or \$1500/per month. Your financial support is used for operational costs, housing, food, clothing and more. Monthly or annual gifts can be designated to sponsor an LC resident during their one year commitment. Would you help sponsor Lifeline-connect and give these men the opportunity to experience real freedom from addiction?

Checks may be made payable to Lifeline-connect and mailed to P. O. Box 3332, Urbana, IL 61803. You can also donate online at [www.lifelineconnect.org](http://www.lifelineconnect.org).

## Special Thank You to Our Supporters

Lifeline-connect depends on your faithful and consistent financial support. Without you who give so faithfully, these men would not have a Lifeline-connect to come to!

**Thanks to Andrew Fell** of Andrew Fell Architect and Design for donating his services. Currently we are trusting the Lord to make a way for all the funds to come in before we start construction of the twenty-four resident dorm, which will cost approximately \$425,000. We “continue” to believe for this.

*(At the time of this being written, our current dorm is full to capacity and we receive calls almost every week regarding someone needing to enroll.)*

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## The Connector » July 2014

Below: LC residents, alumni and staff praying together during service.



## SAVE THE DATES 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

### Fri 10.10.2014 » 8pm

LC Reunion Basketball Game of Staff and former and current residents!  
Everyone welcome to watch!

### Sat 10.11.2014 » 4pm

8th Anniversary Celebration Dinner and Fellowship held at Apostolic Life's fellowship hall.

*Please notify us if you are able to attend by contacting Brenda; [brogers@lifelineconnect.org](mailto:brogers@lifelineconnect.org) or call 217.621.9649.*



LC graduate, Michael Savage, will be our guest speaker on Sunday.

### Sun 10.12.2014 » 12pm

The celebration continues during the noon service at Apostolic Life.

*Apostolic Life is located at 2107 High Cross Rd. in Urbana, IL.*

## “Continue...”

...as a verb this is defined as:

*“To persist in an activity or process, to do something without stopping, to keep happening or existing, to remain active in existence without changing or stopping, to maintain a course of action without interruption, to endure, to remain, etc.”*

Concerning the ministry of Lifeline-connect; this is what we do...we continue.

- We continue to believe “there is no such thing as a lost cause.”
- We continue to believe individuals can be born-again and transformed by an experience and relationship with Jesus Christ.
- We continue to invest in men and families who need another chance.
- We continue in our commitment to endure through tough circumstances.
- We continue to teach men in recovery how to discover their purpose in God.
- We continue to assist other ministries and/or organizations in the field of recovery.
- We continue to give our Lord all the praise and honor in all things.
- We continue to rely on friends, churches, and community to help us prayerfully and financially.
- We continue to rejoice in the Lord.
- We continue to believe that the Lord has even greater things prepared for the future of Lifeline-connect.

**Continue...**as this correspondence comes to you; we say thank you for your investment and interest in LC. Your involvement is a blessing to every resident that enrolls in LC. As you enjoy the news and updates included in this “Connector” I sincerely hope you find a rich reward in knowing you are a part. Again, thank you. We have only one request of all our supporters and those interested in the success of LC...please “continue” with us through your prayers and financial support...as we endeavor to “continue” in this crucial ministry of recovery.

Sincerely,  
D. L. Rogers – Exeutive Director

## Graduates Since 2012

Phase 1 & 2  
Graduates

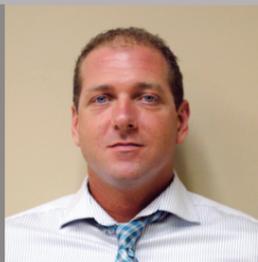


Blake Tivoli



Jon Ford

Phase 1, 2, & 3  
Graduates



Timothy Heard



Matthew Savage



Steve Bigel



Cameron Gordon



Thomas Mann

**Updates:** Blake is employed at Flooring America in Champaign, IL. Jon attends Solid Rock Ministries in Fenton, MO and works for Countryside Carpet and Tile. Tim is the owner/operator of ColorCraft Custom Painting and is part of the music ministry at Apostolic Life. Matt works for Prime Property Management and is involved in the children's, sound and data, van, and outreach ministries at Apostolic Life. Steve currently resides in Crestwood, IL and is the Executive Appraiser at Kingdom Appraisal. Cameron lives in Riverview, FL and works at Moe's Mexican restaurant. Thomas is employed by Catepillar and is involved with the music, outreach and van ministries at Apostolic Life.



## BEST THING I'VE DONE

LC Alumni, Brian Doubek

Before coming to Lifeline, my life was a mess. I had been through numerous treatments, halfway houses, AA, but nothing seemed to work...I would get some clean time only to return to my addiction.

When I finally gave up control and surrendered to God, He lead me to Lifeline Connect and a miracle happened. My life changed forever. The sixteen months I spent at Lifeline was the toughest but the best thing I have ever done. The God-based curriculum is state-of-the-art. God and this program saved my life.

I have been clean and sober for over 2 1/2 years. I have a professional job using my degree in business for the first time in many years. God has given me the ministry of my dreams. I play guitar in the worship team at Apostolic Life and I'm involved in outreach. My future plans are to stay on the path God provided for me.



LC residents, alumni and staff preparing to sing during the 2013 anniversary service at Apostolic Life.

## Current Residents



**First Row:** Adrian R. Jones, MO; Mark D. DiPlacido, MO; James Pelham, CA.

**Back Row:** Andrew B. Cooke, SC; Eric L. McCloy, IL; Wesley G. Taylor, MO.



## I AM NOT A LOST CAUSE

Wesley G. Taylor

I came to Lifeline-connect in July of 2013. I was severely addicted to amphetamines and opiates, battling addiction for seven years. I found myself at a place where I didn't know what to do. I felt totally hopeless; like there was no way I would ever be able to escape my addiction.

But God intervened and I was blessed with the privilege to enroll in Lifeline-connect Residential Recovery Center. Since I have been here, God has worked in my life in a miraculous way. Through Genesis Counseling (one-on-one and group) I have been able to uncover many of the things that drove my destructive behavior and to begin resolving them. I have also learned how to prevent them from happening again. I have completed Phase 1 & 2 and am currently enrolled in Phase 3. Thank you for supporting Lifeline-connect and helping to make this ministry possible for me and others. It's true..."there is no such thing as a lost cause".



**Above:** Lifeline brothers Matthew Savage, Tom Mann and James Pelham celebrate with Mark DiPlacido after his baptism.

**Below:** Director of Operations, RJ Eaton, baptizes LC resident Eric McCloy.



**"If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature..."**

2 Corinthians 5:17

