

Takin' It to the Streets

Years ago Bob connected with Josh Masih, a friend of our son and an adolescent psychiatry nurse in California. Daily Josh cared for young patients dealing with significant issues. As a Christ follower, Josh knew Christ wanted to bring healing for his patients—but he was unsure how to help that.

Over coffee, Josh and Bob began meeting to explore how Josh might compassionately and professionally share how Christ might make a difference to his patients. Soon, Josh was praying with his patients and at appropriate times, sharing how his patients might develop their own relationships with Christ. And as a bonus to us, Josh became a favorite model clinician for our summer preceptorship students!



“Bob, I have something I want you to think about!” exclaimed Josh. “You know I started Street Shaves. What if...”



Josh had learned to cut hair as a hobby. He'd cut hair for friends and family. One Saturday morning, he took his clippers downtown to give free haircuts to the homeless. He was dumbfounded at the positive response and overwhelming need. Soon other stylists and barbers joined him. Josh launched the non-profit ministry Street Shaves. Private and corporate donations have come as more volunteers and more opportunities have emerged.

“Bob, what if Street Shaves trained our volunteers to do the same thing that you trained me to do with my patients?! Our clients have some of the same spiritual needs. Can you think about helping us doing that?”

“No need to think about that, Josh. I think that’s a great idea. I’ve long believed our training could benefit many others—in law, in veterinary science, and for those who cut hair!”

Would you pray for Josh and the Street Shaves crew as they help meet the needs of the homeless? And can you pray God would use them to bring many to Christ? Also, can you pray that God would use us to impact other professions so they can better live on mission?

Thanks for standing with us! We’re forever grateful.



Bob & Diana



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