

# ACTIVE Ministry Newsletter

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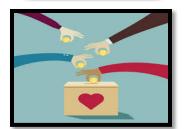
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### "The Rattlesnakes" Win Trivia Competition



ACTIVE Ministry has been hosting a trivia night fundraiser at Grand Avenue Christian Church in Carbondale, Illinois almost annually since 2018. This year's efforts proved to be the best ever thanks to so many volunteers and players. The purpose of the event was to raise money to help furnish the college being built in Zimbabwe.

Thanks to Ginger Murray and her ticket sales team, there were a record breaking 17 teams (120 players) signed up to enjoy the nacho bar, dessert auction, and trivia competition.

Over 50 delicious desserts were donated and auctioned off between rounds of play. Fudge, pies, cakes, and cookies generated over \$2000. Thanks to Randy Dietz and the auction crew who helped provide this fun and distribute the calories across the room!

#### Record Breaking Trivia Night Raises Almost \$18,000 for Theotechnic College!

In the back, Pat Eads and her crew of youth helpers kept 16 kids entertained so their parents could concentrate on trivia and bid on those delicious desserts.

Thanks to Sheila Colombo and her kitchen crew who made sure the players had savory fixins' at the nacho bar to enjoy during the event.

The winners of the trivia competition were ACTIVE Ministry supporters from Trenton, Illinois. "The Rattlesnakes" also had a little help from a couple of Grand Avenue Church friends! Congratulations Sean, Sarah, Joyce, Jeanette, J'nee, Becky, Emily, and Hannah!

Trivia Night 2025 Breakdown	
Trivia & Nachos	\$2930.00
Dessert Auction	\$2165.00
Giving Tree Donations	\$12,965.00
Total Income:	\$18,050.00
Less Expenses	\$811.48
Total Profit:	\$17,248.52



The giving tree gave an opportunity for players to donate to specific needs for the college—desks, chairs, tables, stove, beds, refrigerator, computers, etc.



- ACTIVE needs someone with grant writing experience as we seek grant funding opportunities.
- 2. ACTIVE needs an additional \$4,000 a month in regular donors that's 40 more \$100 a month supporters.
- 3. ACTIVE needs a connection in Africa to help us receive books and supplies being shipped to Zimbabwe.
- 4. ACTIVE is always looking for new board members people to help us fundraise and market our ministry.

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#### **Furnishing the College Has Begun**

Thanks to recent fundraising efforts and our regular financial supporters, furnishing the college has begun. The grand opening of the lower level of the campus is slated for January 2026. As of now, the bathroom fixtures are in. The kitchen sinks are in, and the cabinets are being built. Furniture for the first classroom is on order. However, we still need many more fixtures in order to launch the first semester. We are excited to see the place fill up with all the equipment needed to train potential pastors and church planters.



Kitchen Cabinets - installed and painted



Classroom windows are installed



### Shopping is as easy as 1, 2, 3

- Go to theotec.org and click on "shop" in the upper right corner.
- Choose a product you would like to donate to the college. Items range from \$25 to \$8000.
- Enter your payment information. It safely and securely sends the order to our buyer and the money to our bank account.

The product will be shipped directly to us. Your shopping experience is tax deductible!

#### The Mission of Theotechnic College...

to fulfill the Great Commission through Christ-centered education and discipleship for the purpose of deploying native believers to various ministerial endeavors so they can transform their communities through evangelism and discipleship.