

Word & Deed

Social Responsibility Conference

The difference between mercy & justice...

Mercy	Justice
Good Samaritan	Esther
Food pantry	Job training
Responding to needs	Advocacy

Individual and Corporate Response

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:13-16, ESV)

In the name of Jesus...

“Should Christians support secular organizations?” As good as they may be, are museums, art galleries, and public broadcasting as close to God’s heart as evangelism, church planting, and helping the poor in Christ’s name? Many Christians support secular universities, often their alma maters, that promote disbelief in a Creator as the only rational worldview. Others support “Christian” colleges that no longer believe the Scriptures. If God wants you to give his money to a school, shouldn’t it be a school that believes, loves, and obeys him How much of God’s money today is going to schools that oppose rather than support biblical causes? What does God think of the fact that money managed by his children is funding not only non-Christian but anti-Christian causes?

For every secular organization, there’s a Christian organization doing the same work but with an eternal perspective. Where there’s a choice, why not support organizations characterized by prayer, biblical standards, and the supernatural work of God’s Spirit? (Alcorn, *Money Possessions and Eternity*, p.244)

PEGS

Prayer

1. Regular praying for BCEC SR Ministry & God’s People: ESL, Citizenship Classes, Project Destiny Summer Camp, Project Destiny After-School.
2. Regular praying for poor and needy

Education

1. Reading “The Hole in Our Gospel” or other related books
2. Joining a Bible Study on “The Hole in Our Gospel”
3. Joining a book study or an economic discipleship group
4. Learning more about the Social Responsibility Ministry
5. Researching specific needs/issues:

Giving

1. Contributing to BCEC's Charity Fund

BCEC's Social Responsibility Fund goes to the following organizations/needs:

- a. ACCESS – American Chinese Christian Educational & Social Services, Boston
 - b. Boston Rescue Mission
 - c. Chinese Christian Herald Crusade
 - d. Daybreak Crisis Pregnancy Center
 - e. Family Research Council
 - f. World Vision
 - g. Emergency Relief – e.g., Haiti earthquake relief
 - h. Individual Needs – pay for counseling, emergency needs for food, heating, etc.
2. Sponsoring a child in Viloma, Bolivia with BCEC (www.wvi.org)

Service

1. Cooking for or serving the homeless (Boston Rescue Mission)
2. Teaching Community English Classes (ESL) on Saturdays
3. Teaching Citizenship Classes on Saturdays
4. Helping with Project Destiny – middle school summer day camp (projectdestiny@bcec.net)
5. Helping with Project Destiny After-School: tutors and/or big brother/sister/mentors
6. Serving in a potential ministry related to HIV/AIDS
7. Helping out the Social Responsibility Committee
8. Serving in your local community:

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