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## Kingdom Capital, Connections & Community — Don't Miss These October Events

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Welcome to the Kingdom Ledger — a monthly briefing for faith-driven Birmingham business leaders and investors, built around Events, Leadership, Empowerment, and Community.

Hello Fellow Builders,

If there's one event I strongly encourage every Kingdom-minded business leader and investor to attend this year, it's **The Lions Den**, happening **October 22–23** at **Highlands College** in

Birmingham. This gathering is more than just a conference—it's the heart of a collaborative movement uniting entrepreneurs, investors, and leaders who are using their influence, capital, and platforms to advance the Kingdom of God through business.

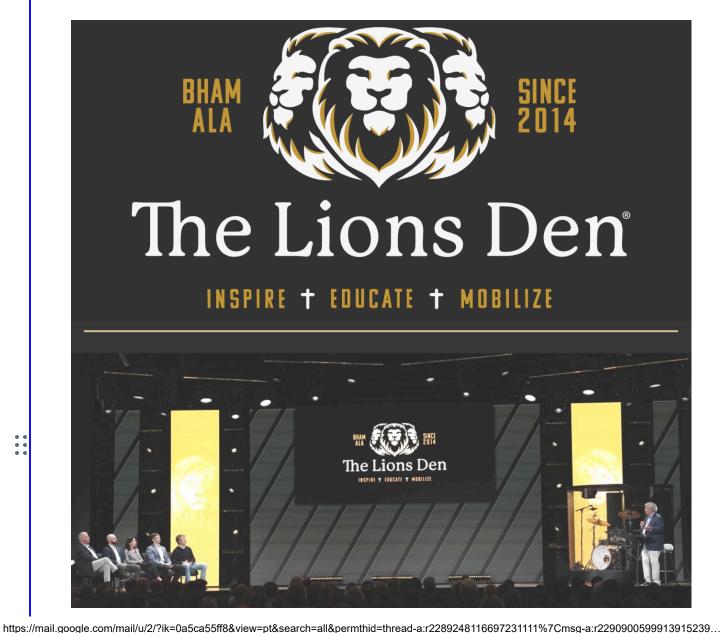
In one form or another, I've participated in every annual Lions Den since its early years, and I've consistently walked away professionally sharpened, spiritually encouraged, and relationally strengthened. If you're serious about learning, growing your network, and aligning your business life with God's purposes, this is the room you want to be in.

This month's Kingdom Ledger is dedicated to spotlighting opportunities like this—real people, real ventures, and real impact all tied to the mission of building up Birmingham and beyond for Kingdom good.

Let's move forward—together.

With boldness and vision, Martin A. Briggs Executive Producer & Franchise Advisor Oasis Venture Studio

**Reserve Your Seat Now!** 



### 👸 Lions Den 2025 – A Business-As-Mission Event You Can't Miss

P Highlands College, Birmingham, AL

m October 22–23, 2025

Lions Den is back for its 12th year—bringing together entrepreneurs, investors, and Kingdom-minded business leaders from around the world for a high-impact, two-day experience. Presented by Cedarworks, Inc. and hosted at Highlands College, this year's event includes:

**Main Event (Oct. 23)** – A "Shark Tank"-style pitch session where missional startups present to a panel of "Lions" for Kingdom-driven investment.

**Professional Summit** – Breakouts, keynotes, and networking with leaders in the Business-as-Mission movement.

**Accredited Investor Meeting** – Exclusive access to classified investment opportunities and deep dives with founders.

Bonus: Pete Ochs of Enterprise Stewardship will keynote at the Professional Summit Luncheon.

This isn't just an event—it's where **real businesses meet real investors to make real Kingdom impact**.

#### Special Kingdom Ledger Discount Codes:

**ULX1252-S** – 2x Combo/Summit/Investor ticket

**ULX1254-M** – 4x Main Event tickets

**ULX125-10P** – 10% off any additional tickets



Step away from the noise and experience a weekend of worship, family, and rest at our 2025 Sukkot Family Reunion. Join us for meaningful time in the Word, shared insights, joyful fellowship, and unforgettable memories rooted in the ancient path of biblical faith.



#### It's not too late!

Join us for a weekend of fellowship, fun, and faith at the 2025 Sukkot Family Reunion — October 6-13 at the Alabama 4-H Center in Columbiana, AL.

As author of the Kingdom Ledger, I want to personally invite you to this special gathering—one of my favorite weeks of the year—set apart for worship, community, and joy as we rehearse the Kingdom together.

- Private dorm rooms with your own bathroom
- All meals included
- Only \$200 per person all inclusive

Whether you can come for a day, a weekend, or the full week, we still have room for you!

**Reply to this email** if you'd like more details or want to register. I'd love to experience it with you.

Reply back to this email for Sukkot details

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Rob Genin of YBL announces the 2025 YBL Golf Tournament on Monday, October 20 at Inverness Country Club. Gather a team for a great day on the course; results and prizes will be shared via email on October 21. Secure your spot here: Register Now.

## LEADERSHIP



# 2025 Fall Breakfast



September 12, 2025 6:30 am - 7:45 am Vestavia Country Club 400 Beaumont Dr, Birmingham, AL 35216

Join YBL as Birmingham entrepreneur Shegun Otulana shares about his remarkable journey in leadership, resilience, and building businesses that make a difference.



Earlier this fall, I had the opportunity to attend the 2025 Young Business Leaders Fall Breakfast featuring Shegun Otulana—and I want to encourage you to watch the replay. It was so good to meet Shegun in person. As the founder of Therapy Brands and Harmony Venture Labs, he's one of Birmingham's most respected tech entrepreneurs and Kingdom-minded business leaders.

What impacted me most were his honest reflections on the **personal struggles he faced while building**, and how he learned to use **inflection points as a strategic advantage** in scaling. If you're leading through challenge, growth, or transition, this message is worth your time.

## **EMPOWERMENT**

Kingdom-Minded Investing Opportunity: Magnolia Preserve (Dothan, AL)

#### Presented by David Oakley | The Oakley Group

If you're looking to align your capital with a Kingdom-driven leader, **David Oakley** is someone worth knowing. David has been a trusted voice in real estate investment circles for years, combining professional excellence with a deep commitment to stewarding resources for eternal impact. His latest project—**Magnolia Preserve**—is a strong example of missional stewardship and smart investing.

- 101 Magnolia Ridge Place, Dothan, AL
- 📗 173-unit Class A asset in a high-demand location near Publix & Starbucks
- **Secured well below replacement cost** = immediate equity + cash flow
- **7%** preferred return | 18.1% target annual return | 1.90x equity multiple
- Resort-style amenities on 14 acres | Professionally managed by Arlington
- 1 7% YoY rental growth + no competitive new supply = long-term upside
- Dothan's economy: diverse, growing, and renter-friendly (43% renter rate)

Offering Amount: ~\$9M | Minimum Investment: \$100,000 Offering Opens: October 7 | Funds Due: October 22 | Closing: October 29

**Watch the 7-min overview video** 

To reserve your position or ask questions, contact:

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"Magnolia Preserve is exactly the type of project our investors love—strong cash flow, limited downside, and meaningful long-term value creation." — David Oakley

## COMMUNITY

David Fleming, President & CEO of REV Birmingham and a longtime friend of YBL, invites you to take the Downtown BHM Community Survey to help guide the future of Downtown Birmingham. This quick survey is part of a strategic planning process led by REV Birmingham and the Downtown BHM Business Improvement District (BID) to set priorities and improvements for the next five years, shaping efforts like the CAP Clean and Safe Program, beautification, small business support, data and research, marketing, and activations.

Thanks for reading this 'late' September edition of The Kingdom Ledger. If there's any way I can serve, support, or connect you further, I'd be honored—just reach out.

If the stories and opportunities have encouraged you and you'd like to support the ongoing mission, you're welcome to give through the Oasis Venture Studio giving portal.

With appreciation,

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