

judges as they send or assign clients to attend our program. What we do is help our clients change how they think so they will change what they do. We use words like Integrity, Respect, Standards, Discipline, Accountability, and Responsibility and how they have to be part of every decision on make.

So many young men want to do the right things but don't know how to or lack the confidence, and this program addresses these issues. We talk about the big picture and how every decision has a consequence. Even though we think we can we can't control the outcome. All we can control is our intentions.

When I was with the Packers my job was to help players be the best they could be by preparing them to face anything and everything. What I forgot was that way back in 1982 my dream was to help make a difference in people's lives and I am doing this as the President and Founder of My Brother's Keeper. I'm not just the name, I'm the mentor. I go into the schools, the jails, the detention centers, the homes, and I meet with all the clients.

Like all organizations, you often wonder if you are making a difference. Let's just say we are reminded every day in one way or another if it's working. Let me just tell you two recent stories:

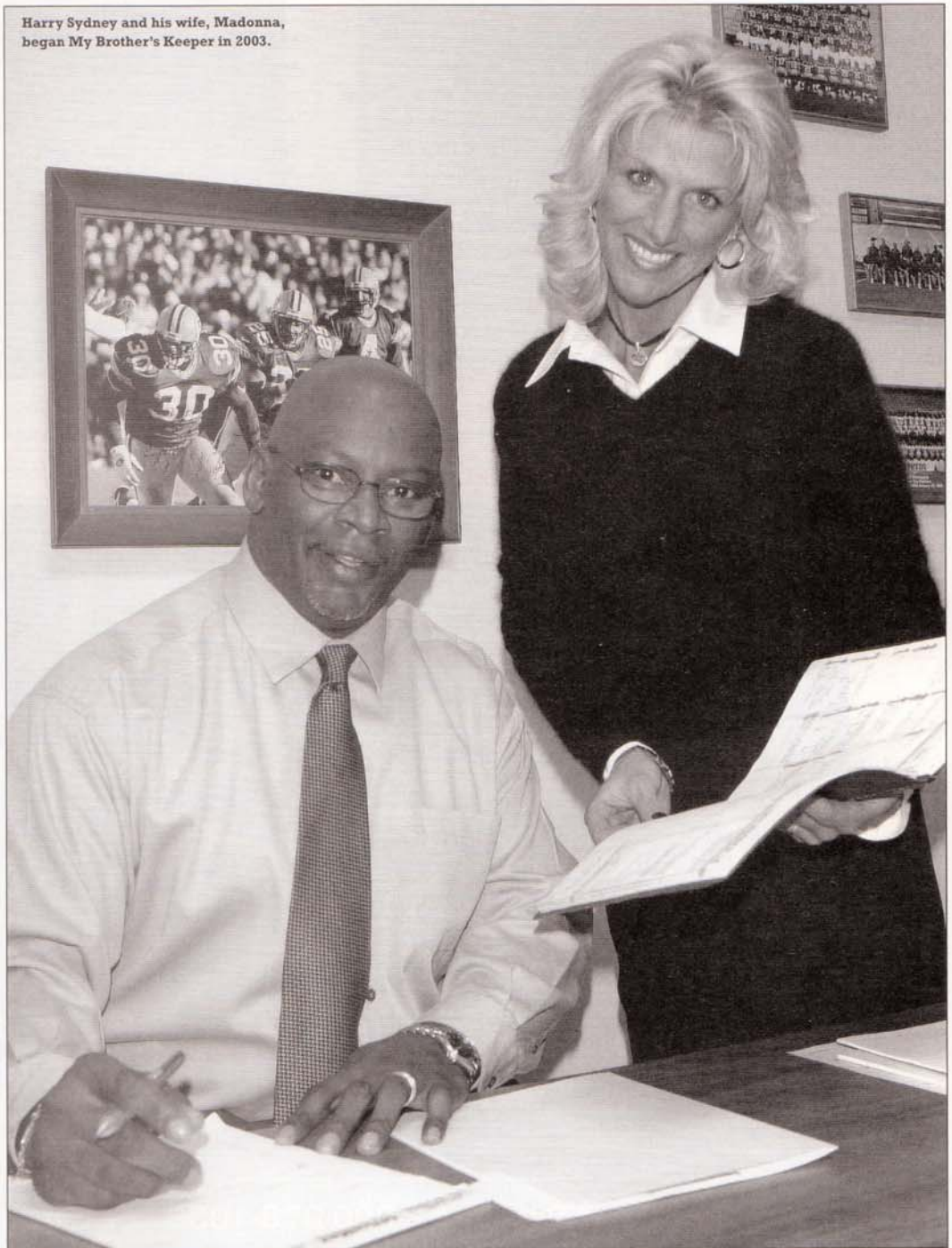
I was driving through a local food place and as I drove up to pay, the young lady taking the money looked at me and asked if I remembered her. Before I could answer she said that she remembered me talking to her when she was in the detention center and said that meeting changed her life. I also met with a former client back from Denver who credits My Brother's Keeper with helping him find his passion as he is joining the priesthood.

The reason I named it My Brother's Keeper is because that's what we all are supposed to be, but people just do it in

different ways. I consider myself the street fighter. I want my clients to know dreams are possible because I am living proof that life is what you make it. Our goals are very simple and that's to help every man, young or old, become better to themselves, their wives, their children, their community, their dreams. I guess you can say I'M STILL COACHING!!!!!!!

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Harry Sydney and his wife, Madonna, began My Brother's Keeper in 2003.



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