

# Christian Tabernacle Church Missionary Board History

*Then He said to his disciples, “The Harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.” Matthew 09: 37-38.*

**1982 Evangelist Juanita Gorman** organized the Missionary Board followed by Mary Ann Hale the first President.

**Marie Bishop** was the first Vice President under Juanita Gorman and Mary Ann Hale leadership.

Mary Ann Hale relocated. Marie Bishop became President. She stayed President until 1984.

**1984 Under Marie Bishop** leadership the Missionary Board started the:

- Frist Food Basket Program or Thanksgiving Baskets,
- Christmas Food Basket Program
- Food Panty Program was set up within United Presbyterian Church.

1984 Christian Tabernacle Church Missionary Board and Elk Gove United Presbyterian Church started Elk Grove Food Pantry.

## **The Group Had Goals:**

- Helping the working poor
- Giving back to the community

**1984 Sister Charlotte Rhodes** became President, she held that position until 1990. After leaving her post as President, Sister Charlotte Rhodes continued working with the food pantry as a participate, and she continue her working relationship with the Community Basket Distributions.

**1990 Minister Pauline Askew** became The Missionary President under her leadership she stared:

- The Soup kitchen
- Project Angel Tree

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- The Prison Ministry
- Core Center visits, assisting women that was HIV positive
- Mother and Daughter Luncheon
- Supported our Missionary in Africa Sister Leslie Pelt

**2000-2002 Deacon Lillie Douglas** was elected President under her leadership the Missionary Board continues to support the Evangelist and Outreach Programs.

**2002 -2010 Minister Marie Blue** became the Missionary President where she continued, the Prison Ministry, and she led:

- Bible Studies for Juveniles
- Bible studies in nursing facility

**2010-2018 Sister Cynthia Rice** became Missionary Board President, under her leadership:

- God blessed us with Markland. Formally called Little Angels which serviced children with special needs. The Missionary Board ministered to the children with Christmas in July.
- Wayside/Pads was established The Missionary Board ministered every other month and serve lunch.
- Evangelistic efforts continued as we minister to the homeless at Tent City, working alone with the Sewing Ministry creating blankets for newborns and sick and shut in.

**2018-2021 Minister April Brock:**

- The Coat Drive and Missionary Training projects stated by Brother Leroy Brock.
- The Missionaries continued serving at a local nursing facility ministering to patients through Bible Studies, and various activities.

**2022 Brother French Harper and Troyce Aderogba** became the first Co-Chairs to the Missionary Board.

God's, vision for The Missionary Board is: To Grow Together serving others, Spread Love, Unity, and Thrive for Evangelistic Efforts".

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**January 2023, the Missionary Board** Revived the Junior Missionaries.

- Sister Schaunda Harper leads our Junior Missionaries.
- The Jr. Missionaries has engaged with the Bella Terra Nursing facility in Streamwood to serving the older population, playing bingo, serving refreshment and assisting them in the games (a day of service).
- The Missionary Board instituted a day for the more mature members where they have a day of fellowship/lunch with our mature group.

**January 2024** sister Robin Ryan and Troyce A. become the vice president and president of the missionary board along with Min Lucy Flournoy as secretary

God has added new members to the board they are sisters Diane Dotson, Jackie Reed and Barbara Butler. Sisters Vickie Carter and Santana Ross rejoined the board. Deacon Brenda McCoy is our overseer. There is still room for more.

We are now meeting in person on the Second Thursday of the month, at 7pm. You are welcome to sit in and observe a meeting.

Following the vision of Pastor Robinson and under the guidance of Deacon McCoy, the Missionary Board Overseer, the Missionary Board is dedicated to fulfilling the God-given vision: Grow Together.

We strive to serve those who are hungry and thirsty, to welcome the strangers, to provide clothing, and to visit the sick, the shut-in, and those in prison. We support individuals in need by offering basic essentials, serving in soup kitchens, and spreading love and unity in our community.

Through these efforts, we are committed to thriving in evangelism—reaching hearts, building faith, and advancing God’s Kingdom together.

***For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I need clothes and you clothed me, I was sick, and you looked after me, I was in prison, and you came to visit me. Matthew 25: 35-36***

**Closing:** I am asking all Missionary Board Members to stand, please. (Thank)

Thank all of you that has come along side the missionary efforts throughout the year. Thank you

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If anyone have questions, please ask one of the standing Missionary Board Members to aid you with your question or questions.

Thank you and May God continue to Bless you.