



Hope Recognizes Community Volunteers & Celebrates Its Tenth Anniversary

Servant Leader Awards Lunch to be Held November 6th

November is a busy month at the Hope Christian Community Foundation. As the staff prepares for end of the year giving and celebrating our tenth anniversary, Hope will kick off the fall with our annual Servant Leader Awards Lunch. This year the lunch will be held November 6th, from 11:45 a.m to 1:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn located at the University of Memphis campus. Bryan Loritts, pastor of Fellowship Church of Memphis, is the featured speaker.

Hope Christian Community Foundation will present six Servant

Leader Awards to individuals for their contributions as volunteers to Christian charitable organizations in the Mid-South. We will give three awards of \$5,000 to the organizations which nominated their winning volunteer. In addition, we will award three scholarships of \$2,000 to students who have been nominated for their service in the community. The qualifications used to evaluate the nominees included how they contributed to the organization, the impact the nominee has had on the ministry, and how they exemplified Christ-like servant leader qualities.

This year's ministry award winners are Lisa Langley, Palmer

Home for Children; Matthew Gandy, Eikon Ministries; and John Humphreys, Jacob's Ladder Community Development Corporation. The scholarship winners are Delvin Tubbs, Streets Ministries; Brandon Privett, Crichton College; and Norma Lester, Neighborhood Christian Centers.

We are excited to partner with these servant leaders to benefit the ministries involved. If you have yet to make reservations for the Servant Leader Awards Lunch please contact Brenda Brazley as soon as possible at 901.682.6201.

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Hope Christian Community Foundation exists to serve donors and ministries in order to facilitate the building of God's kingdom in our community and throughout the world.

Servant Leader Award Winners

Lisa Langley

Palmer Home for Children

Robert Farris - Executive Director

Palmer Home's mission is to reflect the hope and love of Christ by providing a stable, long-term Christ-centered home for children who lack an adequate family structure.

Matthew Gandy

Eikon Ministries

Soup Campbell - Executive Director

Eikon Ministries' mission is to build urban leaders who will change their community from the inside out.

John Humphreys

Jacob's Ladder

William Marler - Executive Director

Jacob's Ladder's mission is to revitalize the inner-city neighborhoods through community partnerships.

Delvin Tubbs

Streets Ministries

Ken Bennett - Executive Director

Streets Ministries' is an inner-city youth ministry with the purpose of unconditionally representing the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in Memphis Housing developments.

Brandon Privett

Crichton College

Larry Lloyd - President

Crichton College educates students in a Christ-centered, liberal arts community to think critically, grow spiritually, and change the world. Brandon's service is a part of Crichton's CREW program.

Norma Lester

Neighborhood Christian Centers

Ephie Johnson - Executive Director

The mission of Neighborhood Christian Centers is to provide compassionate and Christ centered ministry to the practical and spiritual needs of the city's poor.

The Hope for Memphis Fund Awards Its First Grants

The Hope for Memphis Fund awarded its first grants to Advance Memphis and Families Matter. Advance Memphis is an economic development ministry serving adults in the Foote and Cleaborn Housing Projects on Vance Avenue. Advance offers "soft" job skills training, financial literacy and GED classes, and on-the-job training in an out-sourced manufacturing operation on the premises. Made in partnership with the Second Presbyterian Church Foundation, the grant will fund an additional staff person to increase the ministry's capacity and improve effectiveness.

Families Matter is a partnership of Christ Community Health Services, Agape Child & Family Services, and Christian Psychological Center. Its mission is to increase awareness of the value of marriage and the skills needed to grow a healthy family. Made in partnership with the Lansky Foundation and Second Presbyterian Church Foundation, the grant will be used to hire an executive director to restart this ministry.

The two initial areas of focus for the Hope for Memphis Fund are to empower and strengthen existing Christian ministries as well as to encourage servant leadership.

Best Strategies for End of the Year Giving

As the end of the year approaches be sure to review, reflect, and plan. Thoughtfully addressing your charitable giving priorities between now and December 31 can help assure maximum benefits. When looking back on your year be sure to remember those ministries God has put in your path and on your heart.

All gifts completed by December 31 qualify for tax deductibility for 2007. Gifts of cash or by check are the most popular ways to give, although gifts of stocks, bonds, mutual funds, and certain other assets that have increased in value since you have owned them can result in even greater tax savings. Please call and let us know in advance that you are transferring these assets so we can know before hand in order to make the transition easier. Remember if you have owned such assets for longer than one year, you can generally give them and deduct their current value from your taxable income while avoiding capital gains taxes. As the year draws to a close, act now to make certain you have accomplished your charitable goals for 2007.

Hope Foundation Welcomes Chris Hill

Chris joins the Hope Foundation as the Director of Development from Presbyterian Day School where he served as the Director of Religious Studies and Chaplain for the past five years. Chris is a native Memphian who graduated from Briarcrest High School and then received his Bachelor of Arts from Auburn University. After college Chris studied under Christian author Josh McDowell and Tom Nelson, Senior Pastor of Denton Bible Church. Chris and his wife Kristen are members of Fellowship Memphis and have one daughter, Caroline.

Chris started October 1 and is helping share the story and benefits of the Hope Foundation. If you have others you would like to introduce to the Hope Foundation, please contact Chris Hill at 901.682.6201.

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