

2011

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT

Theme: “Being A Witness to the World” Acts 1:8a



- Willing Workers Ministry
- Sisterhood Ministry
- Unity Scholarship and Education Ministry (USEM)
- Hostess Ministry
- Floral Ministry
- Birthday Ministry
- Security Ministry
- Prayer Ministry
- Drama Ministry (All ages)
- Crowns of Glory - Senior Ministry (Ages 60+)

“So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity for God loves a cheerful giver.” II Corinthians 9:7

“The earth is the Lord’s and all of its fullness, the world and those who dwell therein.” Psalm 24:1

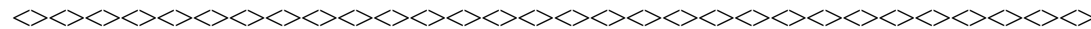
“For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ that though He was rich, yet for our sakes He became poor, that through his poverty we might be rich.” II Corinthians 8:9

“On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income.” 1 Corinthians 16:2

“But just as you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge and in complete earnestness and in your love for us – see that you also excel in this grace of giving.” I Corinthians 8:7

“They which soweth sparingly shall also reap sparingly, and they which soweth bountifully shall reap bountifully.” II Corinthians 9:6

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TITHE – (tenth) Financial Giving

“Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, says the Lord Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessings and that you will not have enough room for it.” Malachi 3:10

MY COMMITMENT

I _____, want to be a TITHER in obedience to the word of God.

Name

I _____, commit to give back a tenth of my monetary income to be a

Name

TITHER.

10% OF EARNINGS:

Weekly: \$ _____

Bi-Monthly \$ _____

Monthly: \$ _____

TALENT – Join A Ministry

“To one he gave five talents, to another two talents and to another one talent each according to their ability.” Mathew 25:15

MY COMMITMENT

I _____, want to use my TALENT(S) in obedience to the word of God.

Name

I _____, commit to invest my TALENT(S) that God has given me in

Name

one or more ministries.

I am interested in working with the _____

Ministry. (see enclosed booklet for various ministries.)

TIME – Bible Study, Praying, Assisting the elderly, hungry, community, etc.

“Teach us to number our days a right so that we may gain a heart of wisdom.” Psalm 90:12

MY COMMITMENT

I _____, want to use my TIME to do God’s will in obedience to the

Name

word of God.

I _____, commit to invest my TIME with God’s word and serving

Name

others.

ENROLLMENT FORM

NAME _____

STREET
ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

BUSINESS PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Place a check next to the auxiliary you want to become a member of:

- Sr. Usher Ministry
- Jr. Usher Ministry (children age 6 – 18)
- Catering Ministry
- Church School Ministry
- Voices of Praise (ages 6 – 12)
- Tabernacle Choir Ministry
- Unity Male Chorus
- Nurses Ministry
- Missionary Ministry
- Pastor’s Aid Ministry
- Praise Dance Ministry
 - Seeds of the Spirit (Ages 4-14)
 - Fruits of the Spirit (Older Teens & Adults)
 - Roots of the Spirit (Seniors Ages 60 +)
- Men’s Fellowship (Men Only)
- Men’s Fellowship Choir (Men Only)
- Recording Ministry
- Women’s Ministry (Women Only)
- Gospel Pearls (Ages 60+)
- Teen Ministry & Unity in Praise Youth Choir (Ages 13-19)

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HOST/HOSTESS MINISTRY

The mission of this ministry is to be of service to all in whatever capacity needed. Our commitment is to perform efficiently and effectively with a smile. Weekly we greet our Sunday visitors. In our uniform of black, white and red, we graciously act as host and servers to ministry functions and weddings.

We meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

For our next function, let the Host/Hostess Ministry serve you, we can be reached by calling the church office.

Sister Judith Johnson, Chairperson

CROWNS OF GLORY – SENIOR MINISTRY

The purpose of the Crowns of Glory Ministry is to help Seniors maintain independence, good health and security. To enable them to make good and wise decisions regarding their future.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A PART OF ANY MINISTRY LISTED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE DEACON MINISTRY, TRUSTEE MINISTRY AND DEACONESS MINISTRY PLEASE USE THE ENROLLMENT FORM TO REGISTER. THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE MINISTRY WILL CONTACT YOU DIRECTLY, OR STOP AT ANY MINISTRY TABLE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

DIACONATE MINISTRY

“For unto whomever much is given, of him shall be much required, and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.” Luke 12:48b (KJV)

The Deacon Ministry is primarily to support the pastor in his efforts to win people over for Christ. We are disciples; we are an extension of the pastor’s arms. We visit the sick and shut-in, assist the pastor on the first Sunday of the month with Communion and serve Communion on the first Sunday to those who are unable to attend church: sick & shut-in, which includes nursing homes and hospitals. Deacons attend church regularly and participate in religious programs of the church and Benevolence.

Our meeting is held the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

James Thompson – Chairman
Henry Garvin – Vice-Chairman
Glen Bassett
Vernon Brinkley
Edward Flowers
Gregory Fuller
Claudia Hester
Scott Hester
Lester Hook
Jacqueline Holliday
Minnie Johnson
Clifton Oates
Harold Parker
Clarence Reed
Earnest Sims
Joy Watson
Cornell Yarborough
Dorothy Yarborough

TRUSTEE MINISTRY

The Trustees are elected by the church to act as the legal representatives of the church in all legal affairs and matters. They assume the responsibility as custodians over the church's property, providing insurance, and other necessary forms of protection for our church. The Trustees are real stewards over the Lord's property. They seek to minimize the expense of the church in property, maintenance, upkeep, repairs, etc., as well as fulfilling all other duties as empowered by the church and pastor.

The Trustee Ministry meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Oscar Thanks, Chairperson

PASTOR'S AIDE MINISTRY

“And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper:”

Psalm 1:3 (KJV)

Mindful of the arduous task of the position and responsibility of pastor ship, the members of the Pastor's Aide Ministry of Unity Baptist Tabernacle endeavor to lift the burdens of daily routine and provide our shepherd with a peaceful mind. We set forth out of “love for the Lord” to encourage and strengthen our pastors resolve to preach the word and uplift the spirits of our congregation from day to day.

Dispensing with irregularity, ineptitude, ungratefulness and mistrust, members of the Pastor's Aide Ministry will continue the Unity Baptist Tabernacle tradition of taking superb care of its pastor.

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Sister Barbara Harvey, Chairperson

BIRTHDAY MINISTRY

The Birthday Ministry is comprised of twelve leaders, one for each month. The purpose of The Birthday Ministry is to promote fellowship and recognition of member's birth month. A listing is kept of all members birth month and a birthday card is sent to their homes. On the 4th Sunday of every month after service there is a small fellowship. The annual celebration takes place in November with a fund raiser for the church.

The Birthday Ministry meets every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Deacon Minnie Johnson – President

TEEN MINISTRY (AGES 13-19)

- The membership of this ministry consists of young people ages 13 – 19 years old.
- The mission for this ministry is to enlist, inspire, train and prepare the young people for participation and leadership in various activities in UBT and throughout to other churches/ministries
- Each person will be guided to know and feel that they are a part of God's witness and a blessing to the world.

The teen ministry meets every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

Sister Nakia Bassett, President

Deaconess Patricia Bassett, Teen Ministry Advisor

DEACONESS MINISTRY

The purpose of the Deaconess Ministry is to:

- Assist the pastor in developing the spiritual life of women and girls of the church
- Visit the sick and shut-in; care for the needy and distressed of the church and in the community
- Responsible for preparing the elements for the Lord's Supper (Holy Communion)
- Assist in serving communion every first Sunday to the sick & shut-in in homes, nursing homes and hospitals
- The chairperson is responsible for notifying all candidates for baptism and provides all the necessary information for the process.
- The work of the Deaconess is very essential and helpful in caring for the general spiritual welfare to the church as a unit

The Deaconess Ministry meets every month, the Friday before communion Sunday at 6:00 p.m.

Deaconess Colleen Campbell, Chairperson
Deaconess Patricia Bassett, Vice-Chairperson
Deaconess Linda Johnson, 2nd Vice-Chairperson
Deaconess Yvonne Garvin
Deaconess Shirley Maurice
Deaconess Rita Oates
Deaconess Henrietta Rush
Deaconess Elizabeth Waller
Deaconess Mattie Whiting
Deaconess Sophie Wigfall
Deaconess Olga Wilson
Deaconess Doretha Yancey

SR. USHER MINISTRY

The main task of the Ushers is to greet and meet the congregation at the regular services and at other times when large gatherings are held in the church. Throughout the service the Ushers pay close attention to the needs of the people assisting where necessary while concentrating on the service. The duties of the usher are very important to the even flow of the service, giving a favorable impression of the church and its membership.

We meet the 1st Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Sister Janie Roberson, Chairperson

JR. USHERS MINISTRY

The Junior Ushers Ministry is the youth of Unity Baptist Tabernacle that serve every 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month throughout the year. The age group ranges from 6 to 18 years old. As a ministry we go out and fellowship with churches in Westchester and New York City. Every 2nd Saturday we meet with the young people's usher department (Westchester Division) of the Empire Baptist Association in White Plains, NY at Bethel Baptist Church, we discuss events going on within our division, do fund raisers and get instructions.

We meet every 1st Saturday at 1:00 p.m. every month, except June to August.

Sister Nakia I. Bassett, President
Sister Barbara Ramsey, Matron

RECORDING MINISTRY

The Recording Ministry is one of Unity Baptist Tabernacle's newest ministries. They provide a number of services for the church's audio and video needs. The Recording Ministry is responsible for the sound system in the church as well as recording programs on CD, tape, video and DVD. The Recording Ministry makes available all Sunday morning worship services to the congregation. The Recording Ministry is also responsible for assuring our radio ministry is aired every Sunday morning at 6:30 a.m.

Brother William Foster, Chairperson

UNITY MALE CHORUS

The purpose of the Unity Male Chorus is to serve the church and community through songs of Worship and Praise. We travel wherever we are called to bring the word of God through song.

We rehearse every Monday night at 8:00 p.m.

Deacon James Thompson, Manager

CATERING MINISTRY

The Catering Ministry prepares and host special celebrations for the church. The Catering Ministry is responsible for preparing dinners, lunches, breakfasts and hosting functions.

The ministry meets every 4th Sunday after the morning worship service.

Sister Darlene Yancey, President

Sister Mary Joyce Brown, Director

TABERNACLE CHOIR MINISTRY

Mission:

The Tabernacle Choir is a ministry to serve Unity Baptist Tabernacle in uplifting our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through songs of praise.

Purpose:

The Tabernacle Choir is responsible for providing the music for all services at the church. The choir may also be asked to accompany the pastor to any preaching engagements he may have.

We consider singing in the choir a great blessing. There is a song to fit every occasion or situation in life. Sometimes we sing when we can't express ourselves in word. It has been said that "voice" is the only musical instrument made by god.

Choir rehearsals are held once a week. We prepare ourselves for rehearsal and service by holding hands in a circle of prayer. We ask god to anoint our voices so that we can serve him and bless somebody in song.

Brother James Houston, President

Sister Monica Whiting, Vice President

Brother St. Christopher Wilkerson, Choir Director

Brother Daryl Clayton, Director of Music

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The women of our congregation work together towards a goal to benefit our church; the concerns of women, such as, Women's Health and Spiritual Enhancement, etc. Our committees organize various fundraisers and activities ranging from retreats to enhance our spiritual growth, powerful prayer breakfasts, plays, and many other activities to reach our goals.

The Women's Ministry meets every 4th Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m.

Associate Minister Monifa Mulraine, President

FLORAL MINISTRY

The Floral Ministry's purpose is to see that flowers are placed on the altar for the beautification of the church. The flowers are then taken to the sick & shut-in or others on special occasions.

Our meeting is held the 3rd Saturday of every month at 12:00 p.m.

Sister Queenie Guidry, Chairperson

CHURCH SCHOOL MINISTRY

At the Unity Baptist Tabernacle Church School our goal is to share the love of God through sound Biblical instruction. We teach and help develop the spirit of our students with the word of God, so it may enhance their everyday lives. We also strive to improve the membership's spirit (with the word of God), which is an essential part of their everyday walk with God.

We meet the 1st Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and invite all who wish to join the church school staff to attend.

Responsible for the Wednesday evening Bible Study which convenes every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Deaconess Patricia Bassett, Superintendent

VOICES OF PRAISE MINISTRY AGES 4 - 19

- To bring Praise and Worship through song on the fourth Sunday of each month.
- Ages 4-19

Sister Nakia Bassett, President

Sister Carmen Houston, Choir Advisor

Bro. St. Christopher Wilkerson, Choir Director

Bro. Daryl Clayton, Director of Music

Deaconess Mattie Whiting & Sister Colleen Barksdale,
Children's Ministry Advisors

Deaconess Patricia Bassett, Youth Department Advisor

Meet the 3rd and 4th Saturday Of the month at 12:00 p.m.

PRAISE DANCE MINISTRY

The overall mission of the Praise Dance Ministry is based on Psalm 150. The Praise Dance Ministry must remain committed to praise God in his sanctuary. Additionally the goal of the Praise Dance Ministry is to assist the pastor in creating an environment filled with genuine, unrestricted praise and worship for God. This usually entails dancing at our home church but may also include accompanying the pastor when he is the guest preacher at another church. The ministry must be mindful that their purpose is not to entertain the congregation but to edify the congregation by using God-Given talents and creative gifts. This requires that ministry participants become more committed to learning the word of God. The Bible encourages worshippers to *“study to show thyself approved unto God. A workman needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”* (2 timothy 2:15)

The Praise Dance Ministry has been in existence for almost six (6) years and we have consistently praised God during specific occasions such as Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas and during Black History Month. With permission of the pastor, the ministry must continue to be ready and willing to be accessible to other ministries at Unity during events such as church plays, gospel concerts and “home-going” services. The Praise Dance Ministry should not view itself as a separate ministry but instead as a ministry that can assist in the spiritual unification of the church so that we are all on one accord for the Lord. Unity Baptist Tabernacle's Praise Dance Ministry consists of the “Fruit of the Spirit” which includes adults and older teen participants, the “Seeds of the Spirit” which includes children between the ages of four and fourteen and the “Roots of the Spirit” which includes adults age 60 and above. The ministry's focus for the year 2009 will be to increase the number of participants but most importantly to **surrender to the will of God** so that we can be more efficient and spiritually more effective. Let not our will be done but “thy will” be done.

The Praise Dance Ministry consists of:

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| Seeds of the Spirit | Ages 4 14 |
| Fruits of the Spirit | Older Teens and Adults |
| Roots of the Spirit | Ages 60 + |

Deacon Claudia Hester, President

Associate Minister Monifa Mulraine, Minister of Dance

UNITY SCHOLARSHIP AND EDUCATION MINISTRY (USEM)

The USEM is open to any member of Unity seeking to encourage educational advancement. Just as other ministries, this ministry seeks to encourage involvement from church members who are interested in students and educational progress.

The Scholarship Ministry shall be a ministry that provides more than money. The ministry will seek to provide mentoring, tutoring and other services that will encourage the souls and minds of students who attend college.

Sister Kendra Jenkins, Chairperson

ACT FOR JESUS CHRIST DRAMA MINISTRY

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” *Acts 1:8*

“A truthful witness saves lives, but a false witness is deceitful” *Proverbs 14:25*

MISSION STATEMENT

The Drama Ministry is here to create special opportunities for all members who want to express their spirituality in a creative manner. The Drama Ministry propose a new method that will not only increase the number of members involved in a ministry, but provide them with the opportunity to develop self confidence, pride, professionalism, public speaking, and the ability of understanding God’s word in a narrative and visual form. The Drama Ministry supports the pastor and all other ministries that require their assistance.

OUR VISION:

To spread the love of Jesus Christ through drama and poetry.

OBJECTIVES/GOALS:

- To be active in furthering the vision and mission of the church
- To use drama to help bring new light to familiar lessons
- Meet all financial obligations assigned to the ministry

MEETINGS:

Will be held every 4th Saturday of the month.

Sister Charlaine Yancey, Chairperson

PRAYER MINISTRY

The primary focus of the Prayer Ministry is to pray for our pastor, the spiritual, physical and financial growth of the church and its members. The welfare of our communities, country, individual needs and the world at large.

The Prayer Ministry meet for one (1) hour of prayer on the first Saturday of the month at 9:00 a.m.; and every Wednesday for Mid-Week Prayer Service from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Deaconess Elect Joy Watson, Chairperson

WILLING WORKERS MINISTRY

“I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.” *John 9:4*

- To fellowship in all activities and other ministries of Unity Baptist Tabernacle and aid sick members upon request.
- Remember the sick and shut-in with donations for Easter and Thanksgiving.
- Outreach to the homeless through clothes drives.
- Fellowship with a cook-out for members and guests
- Everybody Birthday Celebration in December
- Fundraisers to help finance our events and to make donations to the church
- Annual prayer breakfast.

Meet every 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Deaconess Mattie Whiting, Chairperson

MISSIONARY/EVANGELISM MINISTRY

The Missionary Ministry of Unity Baptist Tabernacle is a ministry committed to caring and sharing. We share the word of God by witnessing and evangelizing to individuals who have not accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal savior. We are challenged to share resources that can help feed the hungry, comfort the brokenhearted and set at liberty those that are oppressed. The ministry's focus is to build up the body of Christ with the work of mission in our surrounding communities and in foreign lands. Our foundation scripture is Luke 4:16-21. The ministry is a member of and cooperates with, the United Missionary Baptist Association, Empire Baptist Missionary State Convention And The National Baptist Convention USA, Inc.

Our monthly meeting is held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.

Deaconess Shirley Maurice, Chairperson

NURSE'S MINISTRY

The Nurses' Ministry of Unity Baptist Tabernacle is strictly for the purpose of providing service for the pastor and first aid during church services at home and to visiting churches.

Meeting are held every 4th Saturday at 12:00 p.m. sharp.

Sister Mary Hunter, Chairperson

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

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MEN'S FELLOWSHIP CHOIR

Purpose:

To build up together our life in Christ and to promote fellowship among Christian men through worship, prayer and service, to our church and to our community.

Mission:

- To fellowship with the men of Unity, other churches and the community.
- To meet on a regular basis for breakfast and fellowship
- To arrange for speakers at some meetings to share their experience and relationship with their heavenly father
- To help where possible in the maintenance of the church.

The Men's Fellowship meets every 3rd Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

The Men's Fellowship Choir rehearses every 3rd Thursday of the month.

Deacon Gregory Fuller, President, Men's Fellowship Ministry

Brother Edward Fountain, President, Men's Fellowship Choir

Brother Stanley Moore, Minister of Music