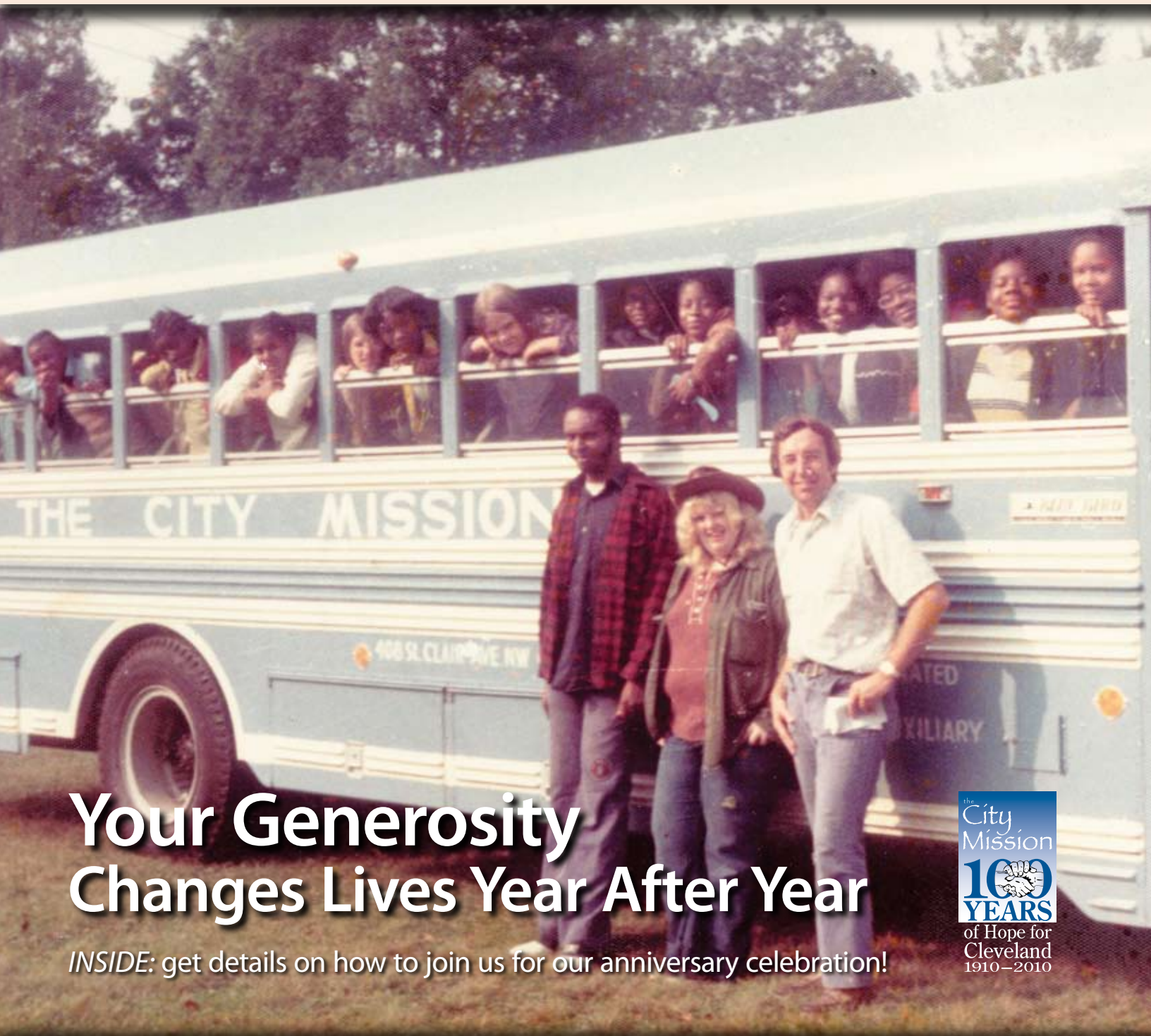


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Reaching Hearts • Changing Lives



**Your Generosity  
Changes Lives Year After Year**

*INSIDE:* get details on how to join us for our anniversary celebration!



# Overcoming the World

*dear friend,*

One of the qualities I appreciate about Jesus is his honest talk. When we read the Gospels, we see a man who didn't sugarcoat a thing. Yet, in spite of confirming the difficulty we'll encounter in our lifetime, his overall message resounds with tremendous hope.

When I look back at The City Mission's role in Cleveland in the 70's and 80's, I see Jesus' words come to life. For any old-timers out there (that includes me), you may remember the term "The Rust Belt." Due to the inflation in the cost of steel and rising labor expenses, several factories closed in our area decades ago. The resulting joblessness placed many of our neighbors in dire situations.

But God worked through partners like you to help people who were struggling to find work again. We provided meals to help families get by, shelter if needed and the hope that soon, things would be okay.

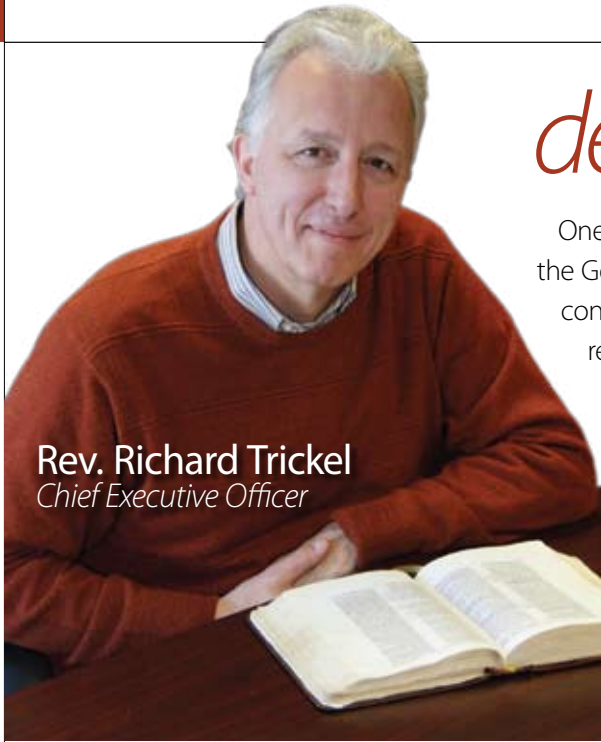
Even through events like the Iranian hostage crisis, the Cold War and troop deployment to over 100 countries around the world, The City Mission served as a reminder here in Cleveland that no matter how challenging life got, hope was not out of reach.

For 100 years, The City Mission has strived to create a welcoming and peaceful environment for anyone who needs it. And that legacy of care continues today as you'll see in Karen's story on the next page. Whether it be someone suffering from economic hardship, a soldier returning from overseas with no home or a mom trying to give her child a better life, we are here to pave a path of hope and renewal under God's grace.

In this world, we are promised some hardship. The past reminds us of this fact! But all of us, including the people we meet here at The City Mission, can take heart. Because not only do we know the One who overcame the world, but one day, we'll overcome it once and for all as well.

Sincerely,

*Rev Richard Trickel*



**Rev. Richard Trickel**  
*Chief Executive Officer*

In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

*John 16:33*

Don't forget to purchase your tickets for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Hope event on October 2! For more details, visit [www.thecitymission.org/celebration-of-hope](http://www.thecitymission.org/celebration-of-hope) today!

# A Personal Journey to Facing Pain

*and understanding God's purpose through it*

Experiencing a serious health problem can take its toll on any of us. For moms like Karen, however, there's something much more difficult... watching your child go through the same.

After Karen's son Carlos was born, she knew something was wrong. "Was he deaf? Was he blind," Karen would ask herself. "He didn't seem cognitive to me, so I began to make appointments, ask more questions and seek answers."

For six long years Karen waited and listened and waited some more until she learned that her son Carlos had a severe case of Cerebral Palsy. Karen was heartbroken and alone—already having lost her marriage in her quest to find answers for Carlos' condition. The final straw? Losing custody of Carlos to her ex-husband.

The culmination of so many losses put Karen in a dark place. After one failed suicide attempt, Karen found

herself contemplating jumping off of a bridge after a long day at work.

By God's mercy, Karen's life was spared. And in July of 2008, she made the bold decision to leave her job of nineteen years. "I knew if I didn't leave my job then, I wouldn't make it," Karen admits.

Thanks to your generosity and support, Karen was able to come to Laura's Home Women's Crisis Center in her time of confusion and suffering. And we're so thankful she did.

Because you help provide such profound resources that really impact lives, people like Karen are given another chance at creating a healthy and fulfilled life. "During my time here

I've found the Transformation class very satisfying," Karen acknowledges. "It has helped me to pull back the layers of hurt and sorrow and start to deal with issues so that I could receive healing and move forward."

"I definitely have a deeper understanding and faith of who God really

is," Karen shares. "Many times I asked God why. Why did this happen to me? But I don't ask why anymore. Why not me?"

"I remember talking in one of the classes," Karen continues, "about how God can use our hurts, our testimonies to help other people. And I began to think, 'Lord, is this what you want me to do?' I've come to understand that nothing happens to believers by chance. Everything is purposeful. Our lives are like tapestry and God weaves in the dark colors with the light."

With a fuller understanding of the purpose of her pain, Karen has become a willing vessel to share what she's gone through with others. "I don't think it'll ever not be painful," Karen realizes, "but I've been able to release the feelings of guilt and shame. I've been empowered and set free."

Looking to the future, Karen envisions "working and going to school to finish nursing classes and enjoying Carlos. And taking what I've learned here at Laura's Home and being able to tell someone else that when you're in a crisis situation there is a place to go to get help, hope and healing."

"From the bottom of my heart, I thank each and every person that has been an encouragement, said a word or prayed for me since I've been here," Karen expresses emotionally. "I don't take it for granted. Thank you."

**"Everything is purposeful. Our lives are like tapestry and God weaves in the dark colors with the light."**



# 100 YEARS of Reaching

Under the leadership of Rev. Harry Banfield, The City Mission underwent its largest move in its history. Besides working to raise money for the expansion, Rev. Banfield also concentrated on extending both the partnership of the Cleveland community and the number of staff members and volunteers. We now continue to serve our friends and neighbors through ministry, education and everything in between!



The Angeline Christian Home served as an emergency shelter for women and children and became the inspiration for our current outreach for women and their children, Laura's Home.

## MISSION NEEDS LIST

The City Mission is always in need of donations from generous ministry friends. Please drop off any donations at the Mission's administrative building at the corner of East 55<sup>th</sup> and Carnegie on Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. or call (216) 431-3510 for more information. Thank you!

- Toiletries
- Infant supplies
- Linens
- School supplies
- New toys and games
- Clothing
- Bus passes
- New or gently used uniforms for the Cleveland Metropolitan School District
- Large-print Bibles, preferably New Living Translation



The Promise Choir charms the crowd during the Mission's Holiday Dinner in 1987.

**The Lord does not look at the things man looks at.  
Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.**

–1 Samuel 16:7

# g Hearts, Changing Lives



Over the decades, we have expanded our camps and services to meet the growing needs of our surrounding community. Approximately ten percent of the donations we receive go toward the development of facilities that shelter, feed, educate, counsel and care for our clients.



The City Mission has hosted countless banquets and dinners throughout the past century, bringing our volunteers and neighbors together in a shared purpose to serve the poor, homeless and needy among us.



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# memorial & in honor of gifts

If you would like to give a gift in memory of a loved one who has passed away, or in honor of a special occasion, please mail your gift and the name of the person(s) being remembered or honored to:

**The City Mission • 5310 Carnegie Ave. • Cleveland, OH 44103**

We will let your honoree or the family of the deceased know of your gift with a special card.

## IN MEMORY OF:

(March 16 – July 21, 2010)

*Our deepest sympathies are with friends who have lost loved ones. A memorial gift to The City Mission is a special way to offer hope to the needy in the name of a friend or family member.*

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*A gift to The City Mission is a great way both to say "I Care" and to remember a birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion!*

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**Barbara Jeffers, Birthday**  
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# 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Corner

## Last Call to Share Your City Mission Story

We will continue to gather stories for the next few weeks in honor of our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Just visit [www.thecitymission.org/100-years](http://www.thecitymission.org/100-years) for details on how to share your story. We look forward to hearing from you as we celebrate 100 years of changed lives in Cleveland!

## Uniting the City in Celebration and Service

Join The City Mission on **October 2, 2010** for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary *Celebration of Hope* at the Wolstein Center in downtown Cleveland! We're honored to welcome musical guests Praise-Apella, Scott Krippayne and Larnelle Harris and will have many other festivities for you. Please visit [www.thecitymission.org/celebration-of-hope](http://www.thecitymission.org/celebration-of-hope) for more information and to order your tickets today!



# Pathways Family Outreach Services Volunteers Needed

## VICTORY PROGRAM

Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

The Victory program is a safe, supervised alternative for suspended and expelled students with a strong focus on character development and behavioral management. Students attending the program will receive an assessment evaluation, participate in character development and behavioral management classes, receive homework assistance, and a nutritious lunch.

The Victory program needs volunteers that are able to perform in the following capacities:

- Lead small group Bible study
- Lead character classes
- Provide homework assistance
- Facilitate structured recreational activities

Volunteers in the Victory program must:

- Be able to work with at risk and high risk students
- Have a lot of patience
- Have Christian convictions
- Be flexible

Length of Service:

- Serve one day a week or more, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

## DROP IN PROGRAM

Monday–Thursday, 2:30–5:30 p.m.

(School Year: September–May)

The Drop In program offers a safe and supervised place for students to be during the afterschool hours. Students involved with the program receive homework assistance, participate in fun and enriching activities and receive a snack.

The Drop In program needs volunteers that are able to perform in the following capacities:

- Supervise students 1–8 grades
- Provide homework assistance
- Facilitate structured recreational activities
- Conduct daily attendance
- Help distribute daily food

Volunteers in Drop In program must:

- Have Christian convictions
- Be flexible and have patience
- Be able to work with students 1<sup>st</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> grades

Length of Service:

- Serve one day a week or more, 2:30–5:30 p.m.
- For an individual (age 18+) or group up to 10 (age 16+) with adult chaperone

# Please join us in prayer

## Laura's Home Women's Crisis Center

- Praise God for continuing to inspire donors to provide the necessary requirements of the needy.
- Thank God for continuing to send women and children to LH seeking a better relationship with Him and safety and security for themselves as well as their children.
- Without vouchers from the county, pray that the school supply and clothing needs of the children will be met.
- As we enter a new school year, pray that the children will be able to adjust to newly assigned schools, teachers and peers.
- Pray for safety, wisdom and perseverance for the LH staff.
- Pray for more volunteers with a passion and desire to assist children.

## Inmate Outreach Services

- That our monthly mailings to nearly 600 Ohio inmates would make an impact toward evangelism and Christian discipleship.
- That God would use our visits to Ohio's prisons to bring encouragement to those who are often forgotten.
- That God would continue to provide Bibles and Christian literature, as well as embossed envelopes and reading glasses, to our IOS team for distribution.

## Pathways Family Outreach Services

- For a Christ-focused and exciting start to fall programs.
- For continued discipleship and growth of students who came to our summer camps.
- For volunteers for our Fall Ministry Team.

## Crossroads Men's Crisis Center

- For men who are going through the Debt Canceling Workshop and Seven Keys for Spiritual Renewal, to develop a stronger relationship with the Lord.
- For strength, wisdom, and endurance for the staff of Crossroads Men's Crisis Center.
- For all volunteers who are so diligent in coming to serve. We are grateful for all they do!
- Praise for all the donors who share their time, finances, and energy to the Crossroads program.
- Continued prayer for positive outcomes with our network agencies as we collaborate with them.

# Blessing Others with His Voice

## MEET LARNELLE HARRIS

As a Grammy award-winning Gospel singer and songwriter, Larnelle Harris is known to many as the "The Voice." He feels blessed as he travels the world singing songs inspired by the word of God and about his own personal faith journey.

Throughout his career, Larnelle has come to realize one thing in regard to the Lord and his music... "He wants me to care for His people like He does."

With this purpose, he continues to guide those who will listen with an open heart. We are honored and thrilled to have Larnelle Harris extend the blessing of his voice to all of us at The City Mission's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Hope on Saturday October 2 at the Wolstein Center.

Not only will the audience be given the chance to hear Larnelle and the amazing gift God has given him, but they also will be lucky enough to hear a community choir numbered in the 100's join Larnelle for some of his classics.

When asked what he hopes to bring to the event, Larnelle says he wants to spread the joy that God has brought into his life with others he cares deeply about. "You go in to bless someone who is needy and you walk out of there the most blessed," Larnelle affirms.

Part of Larnelle's message that deeply resonates with the vision of The City Mission is that "your heart cannot be



broken in such a way that the Creator cannot fix it." We appreciate Larnelle's example of embracing how faith in God can change lives along with his desire to work to help those in need become better acquainted with Christ.

Please come and enjoy our marvelous celebration and take part in a life-enriching experience. Voices like Larnelle's impact lives daily and you can be a part of that as we celebrate God's work through friends like you at The City Mission's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. For ticket information, please visit [www.thecitymission.org/celebration-of-hope](http://www.thecitymission.org/celebration-of-hope) or call (216) 431-3510 x237 today. We look forward to seeing you there!

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