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Introduction

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms. “ 1 Peter 4:10 NIV

Recognizing Our Talents

We all have unique abilities that are gifts from God. Recognizing these talents is the first step toward using them in our lives and communities. Each of us is created with a purpose, and understanding our gifts allows us to serve others and glorify God. It’s important to take time in prayer and reflection, asking God to reveal our talents and how we can use them. By embracing our God-given skills, we can make a positive impact on those around us and contribute to our church and society. Through recognizing our talents, we not only grow as individuals but also strengthen our roles within the body of Christ.

Using Our Talents to Serve

As we discover our talents, it’s vital to translate that awareness into action. Serving others with our gifts is a beautiful way to express our faith. When we use our talents selflessly, we reflect God’s love and grace. Each small act of service can lead to significant change in someone’s life. We can serve in various ways, whether by volunteering in church ministries, helping our neighbors, or participating in community service. It’s not about the scale of our service but the heart behind it. By using our talents to serve, we deepen our relationships and build a more loving community.

Growing Our Talents

Using our talents is not a one-time action, but an ongoing process where we can grow and develop our gifts. Like any skill, our talents can be improved through practice, learning, and dedication. We should avoid complacency and strive to grow in our abilities, reflecting our desire to honor God with our work. Whether it’s undertaking new challenges, seeking mentorship, or enrolling in courses, we should actively pursue growth. The more we nurture our talents, the more we can impact our community and bring glory to God through our efforts.

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Offering Our Talents to God

Once we discover and cultivate our talents, we should offer them back to God. Our abilities are gifts that we can use to serve His people. This act of dedicating our skills to God brings us closer to Him. In many ways, utilizing our talents for God's work can be a form of worship. Each time we apply our gifts in service, we create opportunities for God to shine through us. We must remind ourselves that it's not just about what we can do, but how we can give glory to God through our actions.

Celebrating Talents Together

Finally, we should celebrate the talents we see in others and ourselves. Each gift brings something beautiful to the body of Christ, and by recognizing and celebrating these talents, we foster a strong community. Celebrating achievements, big or small, helps build confidence and nurtures growth. As we come together in appreciation of each other's abilities, we can learn and grow as a community, encouraging each other to keep progressing. Through celebration and encouragement, we uplift the body of Christ as a whole.

Sunday Visitation Team

Ministry Chair - Bro. Robert Lessane

Alternate - Bro. Tommy Elliott

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

Making, molding, and multiplying spiritually healthy disciples by ministering to the specific spiritual and physical needs of our members and their families on Sundays and as required.

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 1:17 NLT "Learn to do good. Seek justice. Help the oppressed. Defend the cause of orphans. Fight for the rights of widows."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT MEMBERS

The Sunday visitation Team activities include fellowshiping with members and non-members by ministering through psalms, hymns, spiritual songs, conducting devotional services, offering words of encouragement, leading prayers for specific needs, offering the Lord's Supper, providing ring leader meals to the families that have lost loved ones, providing limited financial assistance to help in a tie of need to those homebound.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

The ministry will visit the sick, shut-in, disabled, elderly and grieving members of our congregation, their families, and non-members in their homes, hospitals, assisted living facilities, nursing homes and rehabilitation centers throughout the entire Charleston Metropolitan community.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Robert Lessane / Tommy Elliott / Anita Elliott / Duane Branch / Henry R. Dingle / Crystal Keyes / Nakia Wigfall / Brenda Meacham

YOUTH BIBLE SCHOOL TEAM

Ministry Chair - Sis. Evelyn Brown
Alternate - Sis. Frances Pinckney

MISSION/VISION

Our mission is to provide a Christ-centered, safe, and engaging virtual learning environment where every child can grow in God's word. We are committed to teaching biblical truth, nurturing them with love, building strong faith, and encouraging young disciples to live for Christ in their homes, schools, and communities. Through interactive lessons, family partnership, and Spirit-led guidance, we equip our youth to confidently walk with God anytime, anywhere. To develop an intimate relationship with God.

SCRIPTURE

Proverbs Chapter 22:6 NIV

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it."

Deuteronomy Chapter 6:6-7 NIV

"These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children.

Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

At Charleston Metropolitan, we are committed to partnering with you to help your child grow spiritually and emotionally. We want every child who attends our virtual classes to know that they are loved, supported, and capable of great things through Christ. We celebrate student growth through memory verse certificates, perfect attendance acknowledgments, service projects, and special events throughout the year. We also welcome your input, communication, and participation as we work together to plant seeds of faith that will last a lifetime through: 1) Reaching Families Anytime, Anywhere 2) Supporting Parents as Spiritual Leaders 3) Strengthening Church Member Participation 4) Building Community Through Prayer and Fellowship 5) Engaging the Wider Community 6) Encouraging Lifelong Discipleship 7) Creating a Safe Haven in a Challenging World.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

Charleston Metropolitan Youth Bible School is designed to connect more than a virtual weekly class—it is a bridge that strengthens love, faith, builds relationships, and connects families across our church, community, and broader community. Through virtual access, consistent communication, and Christ-centered activities, our ministry creates meaningful points of connection for children, parents, teachers, and the broader community.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Tammy Simmons / Jennye Grundy / Daisy Blunt

(K5, 1st and 2nd Graders)

Frances Pinckney / Mona P. Williams (3rd,4th and 5th Graders)

Evelyn P. Brown

(6th, 7th, and 8th Graders)

Jerry Wigfall

(9th, 10th, 11th and 12th Graders)

Property Acquisition/Management Ministry Team

Ministry Chair - Elder Mark Lawrence

Alternate - Sis. LaCrisha LaSane

Mission/Vision Statement

The primary purpose and usage of our church facility is for the programs and the missional functions of the church, which is to make, mold and multiply spiritually healthy disciples through ministering to the least, the last, and the lost as found in Matthew 28:19-20 and Matthew 25:13-40. Any and all real property acquisitions and/or fiduciary obligations shall be for the sole purpose of assisting the overall mission of the Charleston Metropolitan Church of Christ.

Scripture

1) 1 Timothy 6:17-19 NLT

17 "Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. 18 Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. 19 By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life. 2) 1 Corinthians 4:2: "Now, a person who is put in charge as a manager must be faithful."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

Church related activities to support both in-person and virtual services and programs to encourage the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ and ministering to our members as well as addressing the spiritual and human needs of the community and to lead others to Christ is integral to our mission. Policies, procedures to operate and maintain the use of the facility including worship, bible studies/classes, ceremonies, funerals, sublease contracts/agreements for community-related events, building & grounds maintenance and upkeep, licensing, insurance and utilities and the infrastructure/staffing to maintain catering, setup and teardown, media support and safety and security and training fall under the purview of this ministry.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

The ministry will provide a support role to all church sponsored activities and events as well as to provide a facility for hosting and conducting community/public events to expand the mission work of the church as a whole.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Katherine Cobb / Mary Dickerson-Bowman / Henry R. Dingle / Jonathan Donald / Tommy Elliott / Joseph Kinloch / Santos Martinez / Allen White / Kelvin B. Williams / Ethaine Smalls / Elder Mark Lawrence / LaCrisha Lesane

HOSPITALITY & REPAST MINISTRY TEAM

Ministry Chair - Sis. Vonna Jordan

Alternate - Sis. Crystal Keyes

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

Our service is designed to bring comfort and support by providing a safe and loving space to our members in mourning.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:13 NLT "When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality." Romans 12:15 "Rejoice with them that do rejoice and weep with them that weep."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURGE AND RECRUIT

We will recruit active members of the congregation by encouraging them to use their talents to serve and support our members in their time of need. In addition, we will make sporadic announcements to the congregation when needed.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

We will connect with the community by providing a warm and welcoming environment to all members and visitors upon entering our building. In addition, we will work alongside our community outreach program.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Brenda Meacham / Brianna Prioleau / Carolyn Simmons / Crystal Keyes / Cynthia Rollins / Denise Lawrence / Diana Mitchell / Edna-Donald Williams / Felicia White / Gloria Dozier / Gwen Jordan / Jennye Grundy / Nakia Wigfall / Retha Cooper / Yasmine Mickle / Vonna Jordan

Media Ministry Team

Ministry Chair - Bro. Jonathan Donald

Alternate - Sis. Danielle Lassiter

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

The mission of Charleston Metropolitan Church of Christ Media Ministry is, to capture, communicate, and present God's message through various medium and/or platforms with the intent of:

- 1) Evangelizing the unsaved and Un-Churched through distribution of CDs, and DVDs
- 2) Encouraging Christians to seek an intimate and personal relationship with God
- 3) Equipping the saints with the Word of God for personal and communal growth
- 4) Enhancing worship service experiences in support of building the kingdom of God, while trusting God will grow the ministry into the fullness of love and image of His Son Jesus Christ

SCRIPTURE

1) Matthew 28:19-20: 19 NLT "Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. 20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." 2) Isaiah 52:7 7 How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the messenger who brings good news, the good news of peace and salvation, the news that the God of Israel reigns!

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

All Media Team members should have the following qualifications:

- 1) A love of music
- 2) Agrees with Church of Christ of Christ theology
- 3) Is committed to the vision of Charleston Metro
- 4) Has a positive outlook
- 5) Is a hard worker with a long attention span
- 6) Has good people skills
- 7) Is extremely familiar with the order of each worship service.

Media Team members who are scheduled for special events are required to attend rehearsals for that event if possible. If unable to attend a rehearsal he/she must coordinate coverage with the Ministry Team Leader and review the Media requirements prior to the event. All communications between the stage and the Media team are to go through the Ministry Team Leader or the Media Coordinator during all services and special events.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

The purpose of the Media Ministry here at Charleston Metropolitan Church of Christ is to carry the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our visually-driven, ever-changing world through the use of technology and Media, and to equip other ministries of the Church of Christ to use digital and electronic Media as a worship and outreach tool. This ministry not only provides the technical support required for our worship services, but also records various events, teachings and sermons, which are made available on DVD and for viewing or podcasting at our web site.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Jonathan Donald / Danielle Lassiter / Brianna Prioleau / Edna Edwards Williams / Evelyn Brown (Alternate Host on Zoom) / Frances Pinckney (Alternate Host on Zoom) / Elder Mark Lawrence (Alternate Host on Zoom) / Elder Antonio Jordan (Alternate Host on Zoom)

Benevolence Ministry Team

Ministry Chair - Elder Thomas E. Brown Sr

Alternate - Sis. Ethaine Smalls

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

The purpose of the benevolence is to meet people's basic needs during times of hardship or crisis. Benevolence achieves this purpose primarily through specific disbursement, at the direction of the Benevolence Ministry Team. Basic needs are identified as needs related to the following, but not limited to:

- 1) Housing
- 2) Clothing
- 3) Food
- 4) Utilities
- 5) Medicine (doctor's prescription or notice required)

SCRIPTURE

Galatians 6:9-10 NLT "9 So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. 10 Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith."

James 1:27 "Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt you."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

The BMT is responsible for assisting CMCOC in fulfilling our Mission and Vision as it pertains to benevolent needs inside or outside our local congregation. This will encompass:

- 1) Following up on sick, hospitalized or shut-in members
- 2) Praying for and with church members experiencing hardships or needing to make decisions.
- 3) Participating in a support group for family members of the terminally ill.
- 4) Seeking assistance for and offering support to the chronically ill.
- 5) Visiting and offering emotional/spiritual support to grieving members.
- 6) Being an integral part of a chain of volunteers who will:
- 7) Provide emotional, spiritual and physical help to the needy in the congregation
- 8) Visit and pray with ill or grieving members
- 9) Informing the Ministry Team Leader of any special needs and report on those who are sick, hospitalized, experiencing financial difficulty, etc....
- 10) Assisting in the conduct of counseling for members who are having various problems
- 11) Providing emotional and spiritual support to the unemployed
- 12) Seeking help from church for financial needs, if necessary, and maintaining confidentiality concerning such matters.
- 13) Assisting with the checking on the status of absentee members.
- 14) Maintaining a list of community services organizations and sources of professional service agencies.
- 15) All decisions will be addressed and made by the BMT (no one person decisions).

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

- 1) Consolidated Sick and Shut-in List and Status Reports
- 2) Consolidated Prayer Request List
- 3) Consolidated Visitor List and Status Reports
- 4) Absentee List and Reports
- 5) Support Group Members List and Reports
- 6) Volunteer/Ministry List and Reports
- 7) Transportation List and Reports
- 8) Benevolence List and Reports
- 9) Counseling List and Reports
- 10) Unity Way 211 Directory updates and Agency Contact Lists

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Elder Thomas Brown Sr. / Katherine Cobb / Elder Joseph Kinloch / Ethaine Smalls

Finance Ministry Team

Ministry Chair - Sis. Edna Edwards Williams

Alternate - Sis. Brenda Meacham

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

Make, mold and multiply spiritually healthy disciples by ministering to their financial stewardship needs.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:38 ESV "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

Train members that have a desire of becoming a member of on Finance Ministry Team.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

- 1) To aid members and families of CMCOC to become more financially healthy in managing the financial resources given to them by God and to become good stewards through participating in a bible study course focused on financial stewardship.
- 2) Assist in providing seminars and workshops to members and the community on financial budgeting, debt management planning, credit report interpretation, financial coaching, gambling counseling, housing counseling and premarital financial counseling.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Brenda Meacham / Cheryl R. Williams / Edna Edwards Williams / Denise Lawrence / Elder Mark Lawrence
(Ex-Officio Member)

Brothers and Men's Ministry Team

Ministry Chair - Bro. Kelvin Williams

Alternate - Bro. Robert Lessane

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

The Brothers and Men Ministry consist of the brothers of the congregation. We work together in harmony for the good of the congregation. We assist the Minister and Elders in training and every one that is in need in the congregation Exodus 17: 8-13. Our goal is to be commitment to the vision and Mission of the church as well as the brother's spiritual growth.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 2: 1-5 KJV 1. "If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, 2. Fulfill ye my joy that ye be like minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. 3. Let nothing be done through strife or vain glory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. 4. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. 5. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

The Brothers and Men Ministry has the duty to set an example for the congregation and the young brothers in a spiritual manner:

- 1) Train our young brothers to be spiritual men
- 2) We have a visitation team led by Brother Lessane
- 3) We have spiritual meetings every 4th or 5th Tuesday of the month
- 4) Treat our sisters to breakfast once a year to show our love for their support

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

- 1) Establish a Prison Ministry
- 2) Continue to focused on our Young Brothers
- 3) Get more involved in the community
- 4) Brother 2 Brother Summit Seminar
- 5) Brother and Men Ministry Banquet or Luncheon
- 6) Keep the Unity & Love focus on the ministry and congregation

MINISTRY MEMBERS

All brothers who are members and men who may not be affiliated with CMCOC are welcome to join.

Sisters and Women's Ministry Team/Ladies of Virtue and Excellence (L.O.V.E.)

Ministry Chair -Sis. Janea Singleton

Alternate - Sis. Tammy Simmons

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

The vision of The Love Ministry is to enhance the spiritual life and Christian Walk of its members; to foster deeper and more meaningful relationships among the sisters of the Charleston Metropolitan Church of Christ through constant fellowship; and to let the light of love shine through our lives that others may see Christ in us.

SCRIPTURE

John 13:35 NIV

“By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

This ministry will provide an avenue for women who have gone through difficulties in their lives to help other women who may be going through the similar situations. We are open for all ladies to attend our monthly meetings. We will keep the congregation informed of all our activities.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

This ministry will afford sisters an opportunity to work together as a group, to service projects, to show pastoral concern for vulnerable populations.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Janea Singleton / Tammy Simmons / Lisa Gerideau / Vonna Jordan / Frances Pinckney / Earnestine Kinloch / Georgia Huger / Jennye Grundy / Daisy Blunt / Danielle Lassiter / Crystal Keyes / Nakia Wigfall / Cynthia Rollins / Felicia White / Evelyn Brown / Ethaine Smalls / Diana Mithcell / Denise Lawrence / Retha Cooper / Michele Cobb / Edna Edwards Williams / Samelia Adams / Juanita Riley / Tina Brown-Keels / Brenda Meacham / Anita Elliott / Edna W. Williams / Eunice White

Millennial Ministry & Young Adults

Ministry Chair - Sis. Meka Cobb

Alternate - Sis. Felicia White

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

Our mission is to foster connection, spiritual growth, and community - united by our desire to share the love of Jesus Christ with each other.

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 13:7 NLT

"Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

We are open to new members who would like to participate in our events and engage with our small group. Our goal is to highlight ministry availability and announce our group to the congregation.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

The Millennial Ministry uses the Discord app as a communication and meeting platform. Through daily devotionals, scriptures, bible study and intercessory prayer, we will continue to provide encouragement.

Our Movie and Game Nights are open to the public and we have had good participation. We will continue to plan enrichment events that involve our community.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Jonathan Donald / Janea Singleton / Felicia White / Danielle Lassiter / Meka Cobb / Darryn Minus / LaCrisha LaSsane / James Burke / Tasia Meachum / James King / Kayana Ladson-Burke / Austin Jones / Angel Foggy

Visitation and Card Ministry

Ministry Chair - Sis. Katherine Barnwell

Alternate - Sis. Juanita Riley

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT

Making, molding, and multiplying spiritually healthy disciples.

SCRIPTURE

James 1:27 ESV "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and keep oneself unstained from the world."

STRATEGIES TO ENCOURAGE AND RECRUIT

- 1) Encourage current members and leaders to personally invite people they know to join the ministry, especially those that have specific gifts and passions that align with the ministry needs
- 2) Clearly and consistently advertise the need for members.
- 3) Announcements after church service
- 4) Church bulletins
- 5) Physical sign-up sheets
- 6) A dedicated Volunteer on the church's website with engaging visuals.
- 7) Host Ministry Fairs: Organize events where different ministry leaders can set up tables to share information, answer questions and sign up interested members.

HOW MINISTRY WILL CONNECT WITH COMMUNITY & MEMBERS

The Visitation and Card Ministry Team Members will connect with our community by working alongside our Chas. Metro. outreach ministry Program. We will pass out bookmarkers with our church information to people in the communities. We will send cards and visit our church members who are sick and shut-in.

MINISTRY MEMBERS

Katherine Barnwell / Bernetta Brown / Delores Butler / Retha Cooper / Gloria Dozier / Cynthia Huger / Barbara Johnson / Elder Antonio Jordan / Vonna Jordan / Gwen Jordan / Etheline Mizell / Ethel Pettis / Elaine Prioleau / Juanita Riley / Robert Riley / Cynthia Rollins / Edna Williams / Georgia Huger

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