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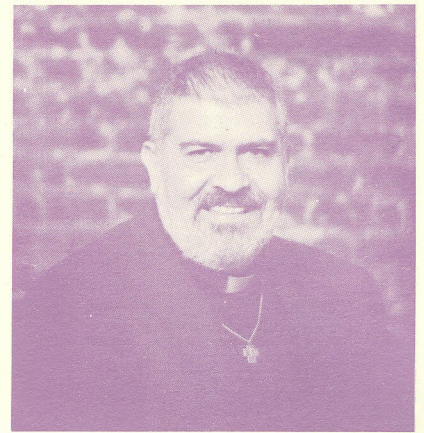
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Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection

HOUSTON



*All Things Are Possible!*  
*Mark 9:23*



Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection  
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Dear Saints:

I cannot believe that this weekend we will be celebrating the 20th anniversary of Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection. It seems like only yesterday that I preached in a small storefront to a group of saints that numbered no more than 30, and today you stand as one of the top ten Churches in our denomination in size.

When I look back over your history, I remember some of the tragedies, but mostly the triumphs that mark these 20 years since you have been in existence. I rejoice when I look at your example for the entire Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. You model wholeness, health and holiness to our entire denomination. When I look at the list of clergy that have come out of your congregation to serve our denomination, I rejoice.

I not only look to the past, but I look to the future as you do your pastoral search for a new pastor and as I look forward to seeing the Houston Church become one of, if not the, largest Church in the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches.

Know that the entire Board of Elders rejoices in this anniversary with you.

In Christ,

Rev. Troy D. Perry

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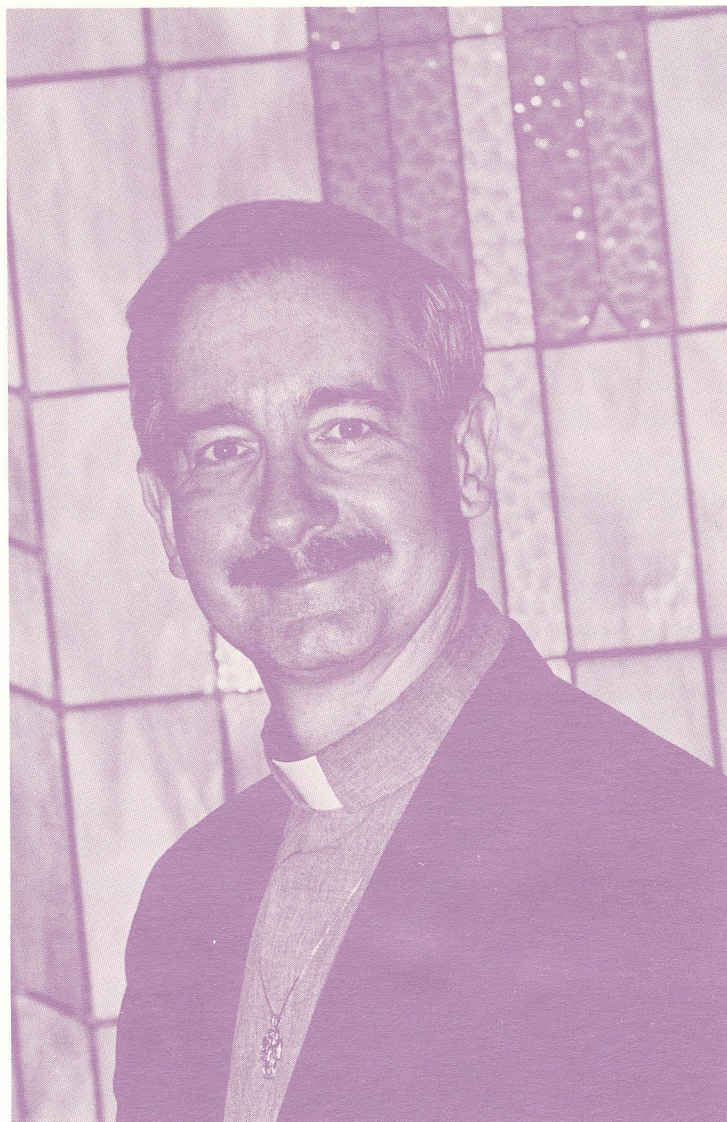
After Twenty Years there are three things that remain the same...**FAITH, HOPE, and LOVE...**

**FAITH...** The confident assurance that something we want is going to happen. It is the certainty that what we hope for is waiting for us, even though we cannot see it up ahead.  
**Hebrews 11:1**

**HOPE...** We are saved by trusting. And trusting means looking forward to getting something we don't yet have - for a person who already has something doesn't need to hope and trust that they will get it. But if we must keep trusting God for something that hasn't happened yet, it teaches us to wait patiently and confidently.  
**Romans 8:24 & 25**

**LOVE...** Most of all, let Love guide your life, for then the whole church will stay together in perfect harmony. Let the peace of heart which comes from Christ be always present in your hearts and lives, for this is your responsibility and privilege as members of the Body of Christ. And always be thankful.  
**Colossians 3:14 & 15**

# Rev. Elder John W. Gill



A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Rev. Elder John Gill is the youngest of three children. After graduating from high school John attended Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, where he earned a BA in English in 1967. Continuing his studies at Princeton Theological Seminary, in Princeton, New Jersey, John completed his formal preparation for the Christian ministry with a M. Div. degree in 1970. For ten months he served as the Director of Youth Activities in the Westfield, New Jersey Presbyterian Church - the fourth largest Presbyterian Church in the United States.

In September of 1971, John was licensed as a clergyperson in the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches at the Fellowship's Second General Conference in Los Angeles. He accepted the charge to go to Atlanta, Georgia, and begin a MCC congregation in that city, the first service being held on January 17, 1972. After serving that congregation for four years, he accepted the call to become pastor of MCC Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and served there almost ten years. On Sunday, September 15, 1985, John was elected pastor of MCC of the Resurrection in Houston and will be leaving May 1, 1995, after almost ten years as pastor, to become pastor at King of Peace MCC in St. Petersburg, Florida.

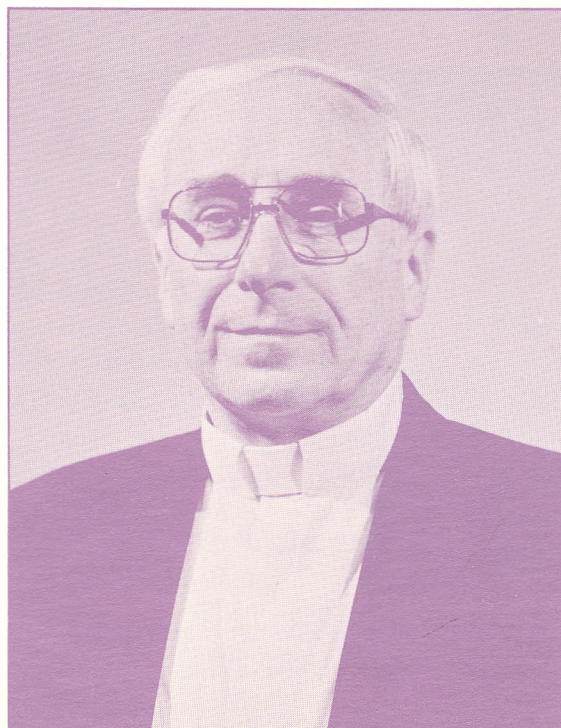
## Rev. Carolyn J. Mobley

Rev. Carolyn Mobley was born in Sanford, Florida and completed her public education in Seminole County, Florida. She received her BA Degree in 1971 in Religious Education at Hardin Simmons University of Abilene, TX. Carolyn completed her Masters Degree in Religious Education from Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, GA. She did additional graduate work at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA.

Carolyn served as Education and Youth Director at Shiloh Baptist Church in Orlando, FL. She served on the staff of Baptist Mission Centers and various Baptist Churches while in seminary. She was Commissioned (SBC) Baptist Home Missionary. Carolyn came to MCCR in Houston in 1990, and served as Assistant to the Pastor until she was licensed as UFMCC Clergy in August 1992. At that time she became Assistant Pastor in charge of the Education ministries at MCCR. In 1995, she became Associate Pastor at MCCR. Carolyn is well known at MCCR and the community for her vocal and musical talents.



## Rev. Ralph Lasher



Rev. Ralph Lasher has a Masters Degree in Divinity and was an Episcopal priest. He was asked to resign 35 years ago when he announced he was gay. Ralph teaches the "Homosexuality and the Bible" classes offered at MCCR for its Spring and Fall education series. He has been published in both the Texas Observer and OutSmart Magazine.

Ralph is the former Executive Director of the Mon-trose Clinic, during which time it saw exciting growth in new programs and began the building program for the new clinic on lower Westheimer. Rev. Lasher is licensed clergy through UFMCC. He currently serves as the Executive Director of Kolbe House in Houston and is on the Pastoral Staff at MCCR.

## Current MCCR Board Members



*Board Members (Left to Right ) Back Row: Robert Berry, Genye Allen and Bernie Barbour. Front Row: David Pettitt, Mary McGowan, Dr. Jeffery Nytch and Carmen Velez. Not Included: Jeff Kaler.*

## Former MCCR Board Members



*Board Members (Left to Right) Back Row: Jerry Reitz, Ron Sparks, Michael Conley and Karl Lewis. Front Row: John Early, Carol Gillingham, Gail Hicks, Michael Williamson and Rick Ruble.*

# 20 YEARS OF HISTORY AT MCCR

In the winter of 1971-72 the first seed was planted to provide an MCC outreach into Houston. There were several efforts to form a study group, but they were unsuccessful until December of 1972, when meetings began on a regular basis in the home of Robert Lawson. With the help of Robert Miller from MCC Dallas and other local persons, the small group became too large for the apartment in which the group was meeting. A rundown store-front on Waugh was found and converted into a house of worship. In February, 1974, the church was dedicated to the Lord.

In June 1974, the study group submitted 25 signatures to Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC) and was granted status as a mission. As attendance swelled, the group began to think about chartering as a church. Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection (MCCR) was chosen as the permanent name for the church and various committees began to work toward the goal of chartering.

In February, 1975, 43 people petitioned the Fellowship for chartering as a church. In late March, the Board of Elders granted the charter. Charter Sunday was April 20, 1975. The Rev. Robert M. Falls was called as first pastor and served until July 1976. In less than a year after chartering, MCCR had outgrown the building on Waugh Drive. The Church was moved to a larger building at 1214 Joe Annie and was dedicated in November 1975, to the glory of God.

The Rev. Jeri Ann Harvey was called as the second pastor of MCCR in January 1977. In April 1978, Rev. Harvey was called to pastor MCC Los Angeles. The Rev. Howard Wells was appointed as Interim Pastor. In January 1979, the Rev. Charles Larsen became the third pastor of MCCR. By now the church has grown to the point that a new facility was needed, and after a location search, the congregation purchased the building at 1919 Decatur Street in the historical Old Sixth Ward of Houston. The building had previously been owned by Tabernacle Baptist Church. On Easter, 1979, the church and congregation moved to the Decatur Street site. The church has a capacity of approximately 500 persons.

In August 1980, Reverend Dee Lamb was added to the staff as Assistant Pastor and the Rev. Howard Wells became Minister of Christian Education in January of 1983. Rev. Charles Larsen resigned as Pastor of MCCR in June, 1985 and served as Interim Pastor of MCC of the Redwoods in California. He later was called to serve as pastor of First MCC in Atlanta, GA.

November 1985, the Reverend Elder John Gill assumed the position of Pastor at MCCR. He was assisted by Rev. Dee Lamb, who later served on a part-time basis as she was beginning seminary studies. Rev. Lamb left in April, 1988 to continue full time seminary studies. Rev. Gill began a pastoral search for an assistant pastor. In July 1988, the Rev. Gloria Root was named as Assistant Pastor. Rev. Root had served as pastor of Dawn of Faith MCC in Galveston until 1988. Rev. Root left in November 1989 to work in the private sector with physically and mentally challenged children.

Carolyn J. Mobley was presented as Assistant to the Pastor in June 1990 and continued her studies to become a licensed clergy in the Fellowship on May, 1992 and at that time she became the Assistant Pastor. Carolyn came to us from MCC Atlanta where she was student clergy. Rev. Mobley's main function was to build the education program at MCCR. In 1995, Rev. Mobley was hired as Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care and a search for an assistant pastor of Education was begun.

On May 1, 1995, the Rev. Elder John Gill will begin serving as the new pastor at King of Peace MCC in St. Petersburg, FL. An interim pastor will be named as the search committee begins looking for a new pastor at MCCR.

Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection currently has over 425 members in good standing and is still growing. As we celebrate our 20th anniversary tonight, we can recognize that MCCR has established strong ties in Houston and has become very active in the Old Sixth Ward and the community in general. MCCR has purchased property in the neighborhood for parking and administration offices. The house at 1909 Decatur was built in the late 1890's and was allowed to go into total disrepair. It was purchased in 1993 and was remodeled to its original mint condition. MCCR won the Houston Historical Preservation Society's "Golden Brick Award" in 1994 for remodeling the house.

With the beginning of 1995, Vision 2000+, a 10 year plan, will include a new parent church in the area which will seat 1,000 persons, with a state of the art audio/visual multi-lingual media program and many other services for the community. The current facility will be upgraded to the most current code and will be used as a community center with the ability for productions and concerts. Even though MCCR's largest outreach is to the gay and lesbian community, approximately 10% of the membership is non-homosexual.

And on WE GO... *Experiencing God's Unconditional Love!*

# MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of Metropolitan Community Church of the Resurrection, Houston, Texas, declare ourselves to be a manifestation of the Universal Church of Jesus Christ. We recognize and affirm that this church was raised by the power of God to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ without regard to race, sex, color, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identification, physical ability, health status, economic circumstance, or prior religious affiliation.

We affirm our belief in a loving God for all people through the saving Grace of Jesus Christ and the empowering presence of the Holy Spirit.

We purpose to bring all people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and to guide them on their journey into the Kingdom of God.

We purpose to build, as an outward visible expression of the Spirit of Christ, bridges of reconciliation, understanding and mutual support to all persons.

We purpose to identify the spiritual and material needs of all people, focus the gospel on those needs, and develop church programs aimed at implementing appropriate Christian solutions and responses.

We purpose to bring our congregation to the discovery of their spiritual gifts so that those gifts will be developed and used in meeting the needs of our community.

We believe in a spiritual awakening and transformation that manifests the Kingdom of God, here and now and pray for the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit in our efforts to be faithful stewards of this mission.

*Revised by two thirds vote of MCCR congregation at the Semi-Annual Meeting - Sunday, March 17, 1991.*

# The Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches

## PROFILE

The Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC) was founded by Rev. Troy Perry in 1968 as a Christian Church with a primary ministry among lesbians and gay men throughout the world. It was called into existence to proclaim and live out God's unconditional love for all creation.

Rev. Perry conducted the first UFMCC worship service on October 6, 1968, in Los Angeles, CA. Since then, UFMCC has grown into a denomination of more than 280 churches in 16 countries. Worldwide membership approaches 30,000. UFMCC headquarters remain in Los Angeles.

The mission of UFMCC is to call people to life through the liberating gospel of Jesus Christ; confront the injustice of poverty, sexism, racism and homophobia through Christian social action; and create a community of healing and reconciliation. It has been at the vanguard of civil and human rights movements, including efforts to end the ban on lesbians and gays in the U.S. military.

Sometimes UFMCC's courageous stand for human rights makes it a target for hate groups; for example, 18 Metropolitan Community Churches experienced arson between 1971-85.

The Fellowship is trinitarian and believes that the Bible was inspired by God and provides a key source of authority for the Christian faith. The theology of UFMCC pastors covers the entire spectrum from liberal to conservative, but all agree with modern biblical and theological scholars who find that Scripture does not condemn loving, responsible homosexual relationships. Worship style varies widely among UFMCC churches based on the background of the pastor and the composition of the local community.

UFMCC has two sacraments, baptism and communion, as well as a number of traditionally recognized rites such as ordination. It also offers the controversial rite of Holy Union, the spiritual joining of a same-sex couple.

The impact of UFMCC extends far beyond its own membership to the entire lesbian and gay community and the larger Christian Church. A front-page article in the *Los Angeles Times* declared, "Religious leaders and scholars believe its (UFMCC's) success was a major reason that some mainline denominations are grappling with how to deal with homosexuality" (June 7, 1991).

UFMCC takes seriously Christ's call to be a prophetic witness to the world. It achieved a new and important level of global witness by 1991 by participating in the World Council of Churches Seventh Assembly in Canberra, Australia, where UFMCC gained official observer status. Another of UFMCC's ecumenical efforts has been a dialogue with the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA (NCC). The dialogue began in 1981 when UFMCC applied for membership. In 1982, an NCC committee ruled UFMCC eligible for NCC membership, but the next year the NCC Governing Board postponed a vote on the matter indefinitely. Dialogue has continued in various forms since then.

AIDS has dramatically affected every church in UFMCC. Since 1982, more than 4,500 UFMCC members have died of AIDS and related diseases. UFMCC clergy and lay leaders buried at least two or three times as many persons, and ministered to their friends and families. An estimated 22% of UFMCC members and adherents are HIV-positive. UFMCC has been on the forefront of developing networks to provide care for HIV-affected people in many cities. The epidemic has brought UFMCC many new members who are facing questions of life and death.

UFMCC strives to create justice for women through its Women's Secretariat. Forty-three percent of UFMCC clergy are women, a higher percentage than in any other Christian denomination in the United States.

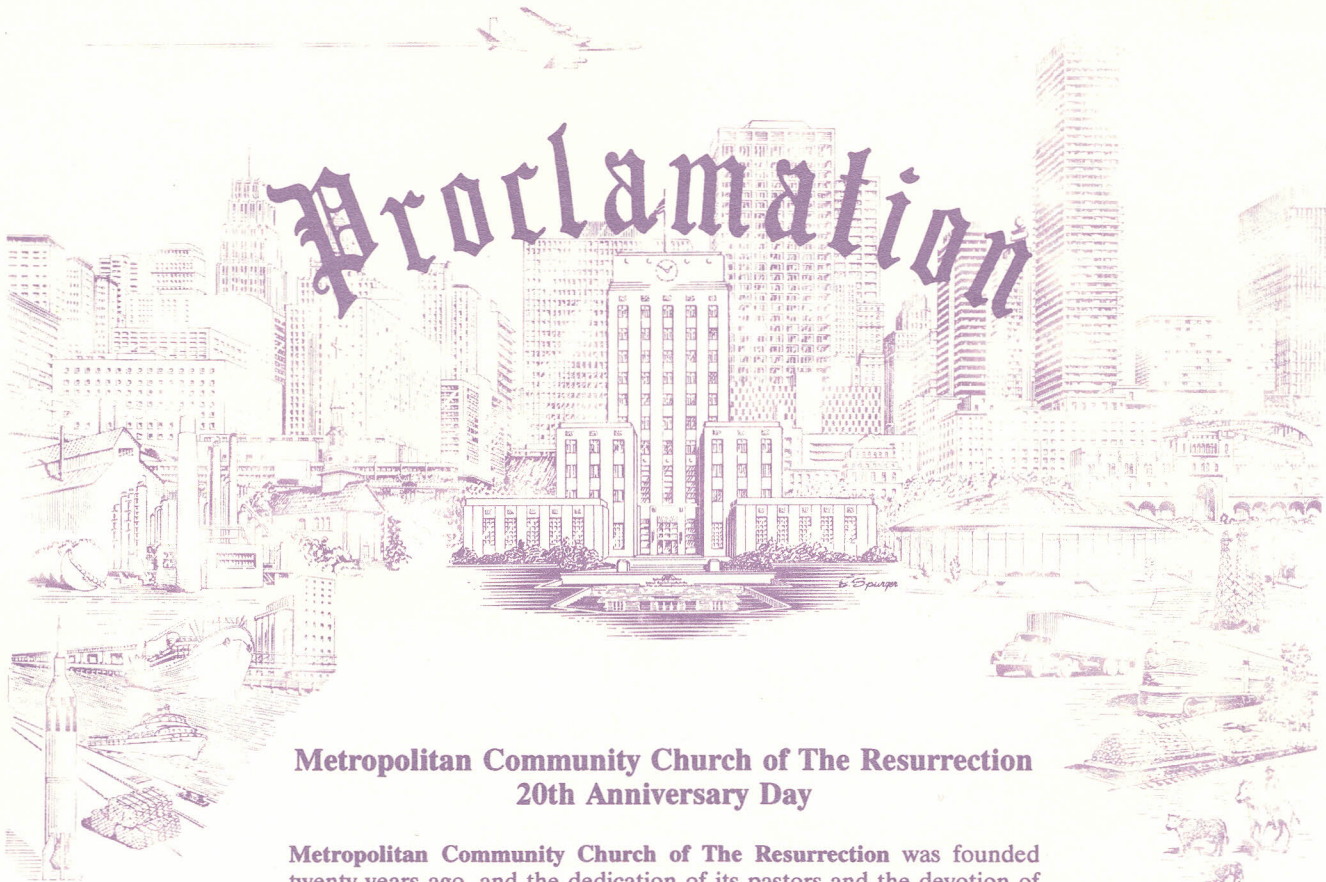
UFMCC's Department of People of Colors exists to support people of color and actualize their personal and spiritual abilities to enable their full participation in UFMCC. This department also supports reconciliation between white people and people of color.

Samaritan College is UFMCC's professional school. Based in Dallas, TX, Samaritan College provides creative avenues of education and resources to equip people of faith. UFMCC clergy are also trained by approximately 20 mainline seminaries that accept UFMCC students.

The largest church in the denomination is Cathedral of Hope MCC of Dallas, TX, with a membership surpassing 1,000. The largest church outside the United States is MCC Toronto, Canada with 350 members. UFMCC also provides the only lesbian and gay-oriented organization in many small communities. The smallest U.S. town with a UFMCC church is Eureka Springs, AR (population less than 1,900), home of MCC of the Living Springs.

The government of the Fellowship is vested in its biennial General Conference, its district conferences, Board of World Church Extension and congregational meetings. Elected leadership of the denomination consists of a seven-member board of elders. Together with the district coordinators elected by each of UFMCC's 13 districts, they comprise the General Council. The General Council is authorized by the General Conference to carry on the administrative affairs of UFMCC between General Conferences. Rev. Perry continues to serve as moderator and chief executive officer of UFMCC. □

# Proclamation



## **Metropolitan Community Church of The Resurrection 20th Anniversary Day**

**Metropolitan Community Church of The Resurrection** was founded twenty years ago, and the dedication of its pastors and the devotion of its members have caused it to grow and flourish. For twenty years, **Metropolitan Community Church of The Resurrection** has remained deeply dedicated to the spiritual needs of its members. It has shepherded little children, led teens through turbulent years, challenged adults to use their talents to serve the church and community, cared for the aged, and comforted the dying. The church has ministered faithfully to those in need, low in spirit, and sick at heart, and has given comfort to the grieving, friendship to the lonely, guidance to the lost, and strength to those who battled for justice.

On April 22, 1995, **Metropolitan Community Church of The Resurrection** will celebrate its 20th anniversary. The City of Houston congratulates the congregation on this auspicious occasion, and extends best wishes to all for a joyous and blessed celebration filled with spiritual renewal.

Therefore, I, Robert C. Lanier, Mayor of the City of Houston, hereby proclaim Saturday, April 22, 1995, as

## **Metropolitan Community Church of The Resurrection 20th Anniversary Day**

in Houston, Texas.



**In Witness Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Houston to be affixed this 16th day of March, 1995, A.D.

*Bob Lanier*  
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Mayor of the City of Houston

# TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION DINNER

## PROGRAM

Welcome	Mr. Len Shelton
Invocational Prayer	Rev. Carolyn Mobley
Dinner	
Introduction of Head Table and Honored Guests	Mr. Len Shelton
Classical Operatic Selection	Jeanette Matley
Honoring Charter Members	Rev. John Gill
"Medley from 'Sister Act I'"	Jubilation
Introduction of Guest Speaker	Mr. Len Shelton
Keynote Address	
Gifts for Guests	Rev. Carolyn Mobley
"Medley from 'Phantom of the Opera'"	Jubilation
Board of Directors' Awards	Board of Directors
"Climb Every Mountain"	Jeanette Matley
Closing Remarks and Benediction	Rev. John Gill

# VISION 2000+

It began over a year ago as a dream, but as the small group trained and planned, the excitement grew and spread to others and more got involved with the "vision". The vision was built, torn down and then rebuilt many times during that period and finally seven priority areas came about from the planning with ten year goals for each of the areas. This plan made its way to the semi-annual congregational meeting in October, 1994 and won unanimous approval from the membership. This is not just a ten year plan, but it continues past that time frame, a new year is added as one ends, so that this is a continuous growth plan for MCCR. The other great concept of the "vision" is that all ministries are involved and charged with accomplishing their part of the "Big Picture".

## **SPIRITUAL . . .**

Currently, we are primarily a program ministries church, but the goal is to move to a ratio of 50% for covenant families, 40% for program ministry and 10% for worship only. Services will be expanded to eight services a week, which will include televised and multi-lingual services. The music ministry will have 225 members, including the Sanctuary Choir, Jubilation, Gloryland Singers, the Gospel Group, HeavenSound Handbell Choir, an orchestra and other groups as needed. Additionally, 75% of the church membership will have graduated from an Excel weekend.

## **LEADERSHIP . . .**

Currently, we have five full time staff persons and the goal is to have 15 paid professional full time employees. Additionally, to have 60 lay facilitators and 100% of the Lay Ministries to be led by laity.

## **FINANCIAL . . .**

The 1995 budget is just under 1/2 million dollars and the 10 year goal is to have a budget of \$3 million with 60% of the membership participating in tithing. Additionally, we will have a committed endowment of \$5 million dollars. MCCR will be returning 10% of the annual budget to community organizations through its Outreach Ministry.

## **CHURCH FAMILY . . .**

At this time, MCCR's weekly attendance is approximately 400 persons and the goal is to have 1,500 persons attending MCCR by the year 2005. There will be 50 covenant families with ten additional active "care" ministries and we plan to activate five additional area congregations.

## **FACILITY . . .**

We are currently located at 1919 Decatur and the administration offices at 1909 Decatur. The 1919 property will become a multi-purpose facility, with a major renovation to allow for theatre/concert productions. The building will have appropriate sound/lighting and the building and kitchen brought up to current codes. The Gay/Lesbian Archives will remain part of MCCR and grants will be secured to purchase technology for the archives. A location for the archives will be sought, so that it will be more accessible to the community. The new parent church will be located in the same area and will contain a commercial kitchen, sanctuary to seat 1,000 people, space for two chapels (holding 35 and 200 persons respectively), organ, community store, a state of the art nursery, classrooms for youth and adult education, latest technology for light and sound, A/V production center and music center. The library's religious section will be housed at the Parent Church. The Parent Church will be debt free upon move-in, with 75% of cost paid by the ground breaking ceremony. All church facilities will comply 100% with the American Disabilities Act requirements.

## **EDUCATION . . .**

MCCR is currently just starting its youth ministries program and has one Bible study class. The goal is to have 25% of the adult attendance and 50% children attendance in Sunday school classes; to offer three accredited courses through Samaritan College and have a Vacation Bible School with 100 people attending. The "Resurrection Education" program will have 10 offerings for each of three quarters of the year with a published curriculum.

## **SOCIETY . . .**

MCCR will have a multimedia outreach to include English, Spanish and Sign Language. The annual Public Relations budget will be 10% of the total church budget and will have an active community computer bulletin board. MCCR will have four neighborhood projects annually and will sponsor 10 global missionary projects.

We are really excited about 'Vision 2000+' and being able to reach out to **all** people who want to truly

*"Experience God's Unconditional Love".*

# ***OUR HAT IS OFF TO YOU !***

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John Early  
David Pettitt  
Ron Sparks  
Claire Vasilioy  
Peter Rymill

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Debbie Holmes  
Phyllis Moore

### **Altos**

Genye Allen  
Jackie Marshall

### **Tenors**

Larry Egle  
Leo Medrano  
Jim Winslett

## **MCCR STAFF**

Richard Sarno  
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Phil Manthei  
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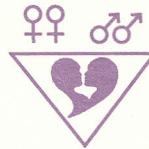


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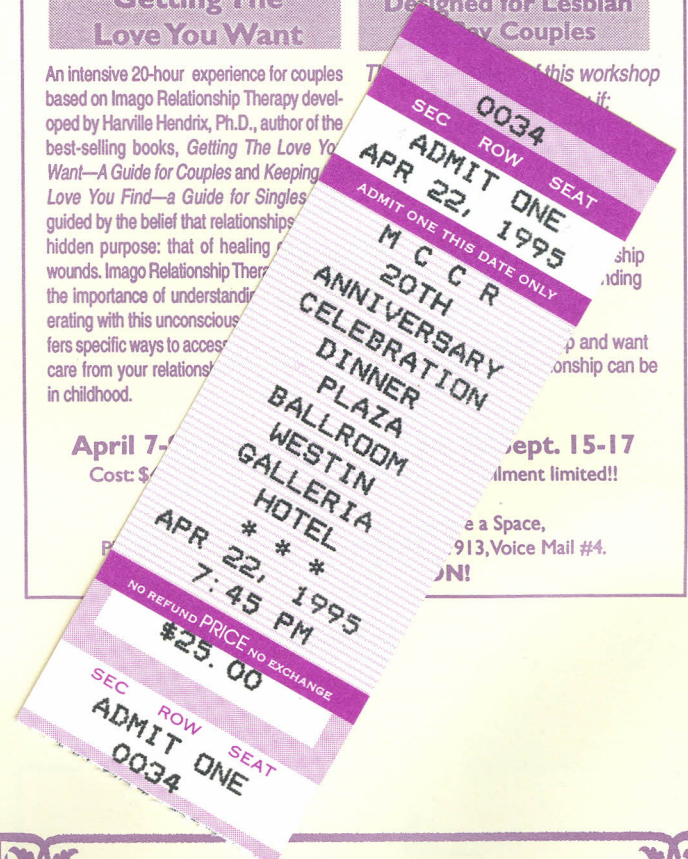
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