Fall 2025

# THE PULSE

#### A PUBLICATION OF THE MENDENHALL MINISTRIES

Dr. Scottye Holloway
President

#### From the President's Desk

This newsletter is designed to share the joys and challenges our ministry faces. One of my mentors, the late Dr. E.K. Bailey, said, "you have to face what's facing you."

Right now, we are in the process of evaluating each aspect of our services to the community. The community plays a key role in this evaluation process. We are engaging individuals, churches and businesses through observations, conversations, needs assessments, and surveys to get a better understanding of the challenges people are experiencing. Also, to determine what changes we need to make to continue to be relevant in sharing God's great reconciling story with the people. As we look critically at the ministry we need your prayers and financial support to move forward. We are convinced that if we do not sharpen the axe to cut the problem down, we may end up only hitting at it.

Please pray for us as we go through this process.

#### The Mendenhall Ministries Hosts Pastor Martha Gbenga-Chigozie

TMM was honored to host Pastor Martha Gbenga-Chigoze from Aberdeen Freetown, Sierra Leone, this summer. She shared powerful testimonies of God's work of transforming lives in her mission field that encouraged our team. The fellowship with her was awesome. She also taught and prayed with us. We were especially inspired by her work as a General Overseer with *Thorough Revival Life of Christ Ministries Worldwide (TRLiCMiW)*.

It was a joy for our staff as well as the community to connect and fellowship with Pastor Martha. Visits like these remind us that the body of Christ is at work around the globe. We are thankful for the opportunity to host her and to partner with her in prayer. Please join us in praying for Pastor Martha as she continues to serve in Sierra Leone.

Let's celebrate all that God is doing through faithful servants like Pastor Martha. Having her with us was a powerful reminder that the work we do here at TMM is connected to a much larger story: God's mission in the world.



## EcoSTEM 2025 Summer Leadership Program

FAITH,
LEADERSHIP
AND A
SUMMER OF
GROWTH

**Brittany Womack** 



EcoSTEM 2025 Participants EcoSTEM crew visiting at Solar Alternatives in New Orleans, LA. EcoSTEM participants pictured making s'mores outside of MBC using their handmade solar ovens. Also pictured is Kim Crawford, environmental science teacher from Flowood, MS, who has worked with Eco STEM for the past 2 years. Page 2 This summer was truly special as we welcomed local teens, ages 14–19, into our EcoSTEM Summer Leadership Program for the very first time here in Simpson County. Centered on the theme "Becoming Stewards of His Creation" (Genesis 2:15), the program blended faith, leadership, and hands-on learning. Over seven weeks, students created vision boards, learned about solar energy,

EcoSTEM crew visiting Solar Alternatives in New Orleans, LA.

explored the history of Juneteenth, built financial literacy skills, and even traveled on field trips to see clean energy and community projects in action. More than just lessons, the program became a place where young people grew in confidence, faith, and community. They encouraged one another during devotions, stepped into leadership roles, and discovered their God-given gifts. By the final week, students were not only presenting projects and earning certificates, but also showing a renewed sense of purpose as they learned what it means to be caretakers of God's world. We are so proud of each student and grateful for the parents, volunteers, and partners who made this summer unforgettable!



EcoSTEM participants making s'mores using their handmade solar ovens.

## Volunteer Spotlight | Testimonials







"What I love most is the relationships I've built... not just with the staff and other volunteers, but with the community. It feels like family."

"Volunteering with TMM has shown me how even the smallest acts of service can make a big difference. It's such a joy to see lives touched right here in our community."

"I've found a family and a mission worth serving!"

"I always leave with a full heart. It's amazing to see how God is working through this ministry, and I'm grateful I get to be part of it."

"It's more than just helping with a task, it's being a part of something bigger, where faith and love are put into action."

"Serving here has deepened my faith. I feel like I'm living out what it means to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Every time I volunteer, I walk away encouraged." "It truly feels like family. It's a blessing to be a part of a ministry that truly cares."

"I'm excited for the opportunity to return next summer!"

"When I first came to volunteer, I thought I was just giving my time. What I didn't expect was how much I would receive in return. The joy of seeing young people grow and knowing I played even a small role is priceless."



Hands & hearts at work! Planting seeds of faith and encouragement in the youth!



Thank you

Dordt University.
Two Cities Church &
Christian Stronghold Baptist Church

for your faithful partnership in ministry.

## **Ministry in ACTION!**

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#### **President's Travel Schedule**

#### Sept 13th - 14th - Dothan Community Church

**Pastor Charles Lewis** 

4390 Westgate Park

Dothan, Alabama

(334) 794-9464

#### Oct 23rd - 27th - Grace Church (26th)

Pastor Ben Spalink 340 Meadowbrook Ave Ridgewood, New Jersey (201) 444-0123

#### Nov 13th - 17th - Mercy Road Church (16th)

17671 Glacier Way

Lakeville, Minnesota

(952) 431-1410

#### Nov 21st - 24th - Christian Stronghold Baptist Church

4701 Lancaster Ave Philadelphia, PA (215) 877-1530

### **Prayer Concerns/Needs**

- Volunteers: We need teams and individuals.
   Your time and gifts make a huge difference.
- Janitorial Staff: We need janitorial personnel to assist at GOCS and administration building.
- Farm Manager: We need staff/volunteer to oversee the Farm and provide support as we move to make the Farm a more vital part of the ministry.
- IT Support: We need staff/volunteers to support and maintain the ministries' computers.
- Repair Work: We need assistance with repairs at Genesis One Christian School.
- Funding: We need help in identifying new & additional sources of funding.
- **Prayer:** Pray for our staff's morale, spiritual growth and compensation
- **Financial Support:** Monthly donations help us plan and sustain our outreach all year long.

#### **How Can You Help?**

We need your help in updating our records. We would like to communicate with you as effectively and efficiently as possible. To that end, would you please complete and indicate on the form on the back of this newsletter, (or call us at (601) 847-3421), how you would like to receive updates from us?

This will assist us in our stewardship efforts by spending less on mailings and print.

Thank you for your response!

#### The Mendenhall Ministries

A Model of Rural Christian Community Development

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#### **THE PULSE**



#### Partners in the Gospel

partnership in the gospel from the first do	ay until now. Philippians 1: 3-5
Dear Ministry Partner,	
Please consider the following ways you may continue to stand v	with us:
Pray regularly for us Give to TMM Genera	ıl Fund. \$
Give to the President's Support. \$	
Sponsor a child at Genesis One Christian School (GOCS) for \$50, \$	\$100, \$200 or \$400 per month, or \$
Give to GOCS General Fund \$	
Give to Summer Enrichment/Youth Leadership Develo	opment Program \$
Would like to bring a Volunteer Group to Mendenhall.	
Request information about Volunteer Ministry.	
Invite Dr. Holloway to speak at your church/organization.	Name:
Interested in Soli-Farm Program (please contact me).	*Email:
Enclosed is my Monthly, Quarterly or Annual Gift	*Please send Newsletter & Updates by Email.
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