

## RHI Contact Information

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## From Reaching Hearts Ministries

### “Embracing Our World For Jesus”

**November 28, 2009**

**Greetings:** Welcome! “. . . *Mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people*” *Isaiah 56:7*. If you are seeking Christ, you will find Him here; if sorrowing, receive comfort; if troubled in spirit, gain the blessings of peace; if discouraged, rejoice in hope; if friendless, find companionship and Christian love.

**Visitors:** We are delighted that you chose to worship with us today. Please write your name and address in our “Visitors’ Book,” at the front entrance Greeters’ table so we can keep you informed of our latest happenings at RHI. If you would like to share your spiritual gifts, we cordially invite you to join one of our ministry teams! Children, remember to pick up your special bulletins in the foyer!

**COME AND PRAY WITH THE PRAYER MINISTRIES TEAM IN THE LOBBY TODAY from 11:00-11:10 a.m.** We will pray for the Holy Spirit to be with our congregation and our speaker, Elder Clifford Goldstein. We will also thank God for His continual guidance in the ministries of Reaching Hearts International.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** If you or your family would like to provide flowers for the Divine Worship Service, please contact Carol Straight at (301) 830-0190. A sign-up book is available in the foyer.

**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON:** Our next Fellowship Luncheon is planned for **December 5**. The Team Members serving will be Irene Pandit, Kola John, Sherwine John, Mary Aquino and Norma Hendrixson. If you would like to be actively involved with the Hospitality Ministry Team, please contact Alice Miller at (301) 434-1586.

► **HATS FOR THE HOMELESS!** We are collecting hats, gloves, scarves and warm socks for the homeless in New York City. These items can be store bought or hand made. This is a great opportunity to use up all of your old yarn that is taking up space. Missy Nash (daughter of Debbie and Andy Herold) and her new husband Aaron will be driving to New York City on December 12th and helping with the distribution on the 13th. Please give your items to Debbie or Krissy Herold by **December 5th**. If you have any questions you can contact Missy Nash at: (301) 332-2414 or [melissaherold@gmail.com](mailto:melissaherold@gmail.com).

► **MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS:** The Allegheny East Conference of Seventh-day Adventist is pleased to welcome into the fellowship of Reaching Hearts International-Brinklow, the following individuals: Anthony Carrion, Juli Carrion, Andrew Doris, Janet Doris, Matthew Doris, Carlos McDonald, Louise McDonald, Marie Jean-Pierre, Diane Snider and Glenn Snider.

**ELDERS/DEACONS/WORSHIP SET-UP TEAM LEADERS:** Kindly mark your calendars for a joint meeting on Sabbath, **December 5, 2009 at 1:30 in Room 202**. Enjoy the Fellowship luncheon, and then you and your spouse come join us. Many thanks.—Terry Martin.

►► **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** RHI is planning a very special Christmas program for **December 19th**. Volunteers are needed in the following areas: actors, builders, hospitality coordinators, set managers, artists, drama coaches, backstage managers, costume managers, set-up and tear down help. Other opportunities are available as well. Please contact Sharon Rea @ (301) 253-0680 or [reasharon@hotmail.com](mailto:reasharon@hotmail.com) or Toni Davis @

[tonidavis09@gmail.com](mailto:tonidavis09@gmail.com) or (301) 830-0190 to find out how you can serve your church this holiday season.

**CD's** of today's sermon "**The Museum**" will be available in the lobby after the service.—The Toths.

**FLORIDA CITRUS:** Loving citrus will be offering H&S citrus again this year. If you are interested in Fresh Florida oranges and grapefruits please visit our website at [www.lovingcitrus.com](http://www.lovingcitrus.com) or place your order via email at [sales@lovingcitrus.com](mailto:sales@lovingcitrus.com) or by calling (301) 963-5750. Deadline for ordering is December 13. We will have a variety of citrus available monthly now thru March 2010.—Toni Davis.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** If you wish to place an announcement in the bulletin, please contact Dr. John D. Butler, Sr. at (202) 726-2084 or Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396. All announcements **must be received by the Tuesday evening preceding the Sabbath in which they should appear. APPROVED INSERTS should be copied and/or cut by the submitting individual and placed in the bulletin.**

**PRAYER CIRCLE:** Do you have a prayer request? Please contact Kathy Oddono at (703) 821-1539. For emergencies or information concerning those hospitalized or deaths, please call Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396 or Pastor Micah Davis at (301) 717-9556 or Pastor Pratap Gopala Rao at (301) 490-6904 or Head Elder Terry Martin at (202) 332-8929.

**THE TREASURER AND HIS TEAM WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IT** if you would clearly print your name and address on the white RHI/Tithe envelope so as to avoid any confusion or errors in the posting of your tithes and offerings.

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS:** Reaching Hearts International **does not use tithe money for its ministry.** Unless otherwise indicated tithes will be sent to the Allegheny East Conference. Tithes for other conferences will be forwarded as you designate on your envelope. Your other donations to RHI will be used for our ministry needs.

#### Offerings Received November 21, 2009

General Offering	\$	9,337.09
Reaching Hearts for Kids	\$	5,180.12
Radio Ministry	\$	609.31
Capital Stewardship	\$	146.00

#### Capital Stewardship/Building Program

Victory Goal	\$	4,500,000.00
Pledges To Date	\$	1,057,000.00
Funds Received as of November 21, 2009	\$	1,351,104.97

**Faith + Good Stewardship + Giving = Abundance**

**CLiC** (Changing Lives in Christ) is a college-based ministry focused not only on the study of the Word, but also in truly carrying out its teachings as part of our Christian walk. We are in the process of finding different ways to use our unique Spiritual gifts to help serve as instruments for Christ. Want to share your gifts for God? We'd love to have you! Check out [www.OnlyCLiCHere.com](http://www.OnlyCLiCHere.com) for more information.

**REACHING HEARTS FOR KIDS:** Reaching Hearts for Kids (RH4Kids) is the humanitarian outreach of Reaching Hearts International. Reaching Hearts for Kids sponsors orphanages and schools in several countries. The main focus is on street children orphaned by HIV/AIDS. The website and new e-mail addresses are as follows: [www.reachinghearts4kids.org](http://www.reachinghearts4kids.org) and [info@reachinghearts4kids.org](mailto:info@reachinghearts4kids.org).

**MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER FORMS** are available in the foyer. If you desire to become a member of Reaching Hearts International through transfer or by profession of faith please fill in the form and give it to one of the Deacons or to Sylvia Dennis. Questions? Contact Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396.

► **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS:** Order now! Large poinsettias in 10" pots for the December 19<sup>th</sup> Christmas services are \$16 each and need to be taken home after service on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Order deadline is December 13. Contact Toni Davis @ [tonidavis09@gmail.com](mailto:tonidavis09@gmail.com) or (301) 830-0190.

**JOIN THE E-GROUP:** *If you haven't joined the e-group you are missing out on all the important announcements about RHI's ministries and other timely and important news.* Every week we send messages about the upcoming worship service. Make sure you stay informed on RHI happenings and are on the e-mail list. You may join by submitting your e-mail address in the sign-up box on [www.reachinghearts.org](http://www.reachinghearts.org).

**HANDEL'S MESSIAH:** "A Soulful Celebration"—Saturday, December 19, 2009 @ 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 20, 2009 @ 5:00 p.m. at The University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20008, Auditorium, Bldg. 46. Please contact Judy Bouknight at (202) 882-1165 or e-mail: [REJOYSING\\_1@MSN.COM](mailto:REJOYSING_1@MSN.COM). For tickets: \$15 Advance, at the door: \$20.

## Calendar of Events

### Daily—Listen to the Reaching Your Heart Radio Broadcast

10:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on WAVA 105.1 FM  
10:00 p.m. XM Satellite Radio on Family Talk Channel 170

### Sabbath, November 28, 2009

Greeters: Sheryl Tennant and Verna Parchment  
Offering Counting Assignment: Team No. 4  
Sabbath Set-Up Team #1: Kent Franz, Leader

### Wednesday, December 2, 2009—Prayer Meeting

7:30 p.m. *Get your mid-week spiritual boost this Wednesday evening with singing, prayer and Bible study! Meet with us at Cedar Ridge Conference Center from 7:30-9:00 p.m. A blessing is in store for you! If you are unable to attend prayer meetings, you can download the studies at [www.prayer-meeting.com](http://www.prayer-meeting.com).*

### Sabbath, December 5, 2009

Greeters: MaryLynne and Jan Shaw  
Offering Counting Assignment: Team No. 1  
Sabbath Set-Up Team #3: Nikki Perkins, Leader  
9:45 a.m. Sabbath School Coordinator: Jack Perera  
Sabbath School Song Leader: Verna Parchment  
Sabbath School Pianist: Jan Shaw  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service Coordinators: Raj Abel and Jack Perera

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

***"Your faith may falter and grow faint, but it shall never fail unless you refuse to replenish it with a refreshing drink from the Source, the Lord Jesus Christ."—Robert H. Schuller***