



# Missions

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## MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT: CENTENARY COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

**WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO** The mission of Centenary Community Ministries, Inc. is to develop sustainable communities through the revitalization of people and place. CCMI seeks to fulfill this mission by living into its six hallmark ministries:

- Transitional housing for homeless men in recovery from drugs and alcohol.
- A community breakfast serving friends in homeless and extreme poverty.
- A community garden for neighbors to learn about where their food comes from and a place to grow their own food.
- An after school tutoring program for at-risk first, second, and third graders at Alexander II Elementary School.
- A bicycle program that provides individuals without transportation an opportunity to earn a bicycle.
- Financial assistance for people in need of stopgap help with medications, utilities, rent, and other necessities. Martha Bowman generously supports CCMI's outreach budget each month.

## Ways to Get Involved

There are a variety of ways you can get involved in the ministries of CCMI. If you are interested in any of these opportunities or would like more information, contact CCMI's director, Rev. Eric Mayle: [eric@centenarymacon.org](mailto:eric@centenarymacon.org). Here are just a few of the ways you can be involved:

- Consider helping out at our monthly bicycle co-ops, which prepare bicycles for our friends in need of transportation.
- Volunteer to cook, serve, or fellowship at the community breakfast.
- Help out in the community garden with various tasks at one of our upcoming work days.
- Serve as a tutor in our after school tutoring program.
- Donate winter coats to be given out to our friends in homelessness during the winter months.
- Consider making a tax-deductible donation to CCMI.
- **Most importantly: PRAY** for CCMI's ministries and its dedicated staff and volunteers.

## IMPACT HIGHLIGHT

**KELVIN'S STORY** Rain or shine, Kelvin was walking 5 miles each day to and from his job at Coliseum Hospital from his home in Beall's Hill. He had to be at work everyday before the buses started running. Kelvin earned a bicycle from CCMI's Re-Cycle Macon program and it has dramatically improved his commute with less exposure to severe heat and cold and inclement weather. Most importantly, he now has more time with his family.

## IMPACT HIGHLIGHT CONTINUED:

AL'S STORY: Al had to walk everywhere he needed to go including to his numerous medical appointments. He goes in for dialysis several times each week in addition to his regular doctor's appointments. It has become difficult for Al to walk to all of these places, even to and from bus stops. A bicycle has not fixed all of Al's problems, but it has made a clear impact on his quality of life as he no longer has to walk long distances, but can ride his bike and even put it on the front of the bus so his commute to and from bus stops is dramatically shorter.

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As God continues to move in our community through Martha Bowman, we want to share ways to connect and celebrate the mission and ministry opportunities of our church. View our Missions Photo Gallery at [marthabowman.org/connect/missions](http://marthabowman.org/connect/missions).



### Local

**NEIGHBORHOOD CHRISTMAS PROJECT:** We will be collecting gently used toys, children's winter coats and \$5 Wal-mart gift cards for a neighborhood in South Macon. Drop off inside the Family Connection Entrance now until December 11th. Look for the giant wrapped gift box..

**HOWARD MIDDLE SCHOOL:** Thank you to everyone who contributed hygiene items to Howard Middle School. They were so blessed by the outpouring and support from Martha Bowman. They are still in need of sanitary napkins. Drop off in the HMS basket inside the wood chest at the Main Entrance.

**PAULA'S CLOSET:** Paula's Closet is the clothes closet connected to Macon Outreach @ Mulberry in downtown Macon. They help clothe those in need here in Middle Georgia. They are currently in need of the follow items:

- Men's Shoe's
- Women's Shoes (Size 9 and larger)
- Bibles

*PLEASE DROP OFF IN THE BIN OUTSIDE THE WOODEN CABINET INSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE.*



### National

**ALASKA 2020:** As we prayerfully consider returning to Alaska in 2020, would you like more information about serving on a team there? Contact Elizabeth Hammock if you are interested in more details: [ehammock@marthabowman.org](mailto:ehammock@marthabowman.org).



### International

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** Send the gift of hope to a child through Operation Christmas Child, a ministry of Samaritan's Purse. Pick up a box to pack, a brochure and label, and return your boxes (along with a \$9 donation for shipping) no later than Sunday, November 24th.