



## Willingboro Christian Assembly

Willingboro, New Jersey

The Willingboro Christian Assembly is a church formed from a group of Bible believing Christians in the southern part of New Jersey in the Township of Willingboro.

Dr. B. Sam Hart, the founder and president of the Grand Old Gospel Fellowship at the time, had a crusade in the Willingboro area in the spring of 1981. At the end of the crusade homes were visited, and meetings were formed within each home with Bible studies and fellowship. The various homes came together and incorporated the Willingboro Christian Assembly in the fall of 1981.

The ministry provided church services in various homes of the members, which eventually led to the church renting school buildings and space from other churches and organizations in Willingboro to continue fellowship and have services.

In 1994, with much prayer and commitment, Willingboro Christian Assembly was able to purchase a church building from the Alpha Baptist church of Willingboro. This purchase would not have been possible without the financial support and instruction from Stewards Foundation through granting the church a loan. Although the loan was approved for twelve years, the LORD continued to bless and the loan was paid off in seven years, which was a major blessing and encouragement to the ministry, and to the Saints.

Over time, the ministry grew, and with this growth many challenges with the building were exposed, such as: the general building layout, the need for more classrooms, storage limitations, and inadequate bathroom facilities. There were also a number of safety issues that needed to be corrected. Early on, some of these deficiencies were repaired with the help of Stewards Foundation.

After a period of time, with much pray-

er and guidance from the LORD, the Saints found it necessary to expand and upgrade the building, as well as its facilities. Once again, the church obtained a loan from Stewards Foundation. This second loan made it possible to perform a major expansion and renovation of the building.

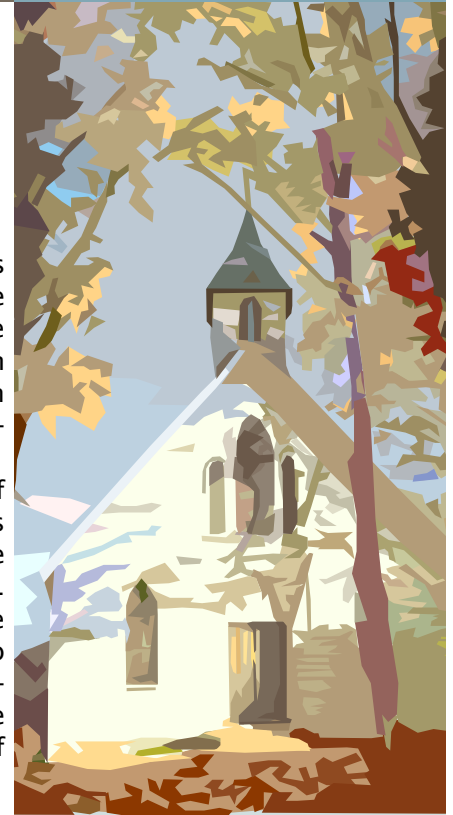
The support, guidance and direction of Stewards' Foundation through this process was instrumental as in the midst of the project challenges arose with the builder. These issues required that the work be overseen by four church members who had minimal building and contracting experience. It was truly a blessing to see the project completed and a full Certificate of Occupancy awarded for the new facility.



*“The BUILDING was closed during the pandemic, but not the CHURCH.”*

Over the years, the church has enjoyed serving children, youth, and adults locally and abroad through our Sunday school, Call-a-Story and Vacation Bible school ministries. We are also blessed to have served

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in ministering to two nursing homes monthly, one for twenty-five years, the other for over ten years.

The LORD has also used the assembly to engage in a vibrant women's ministry, continuous and aggressive support, prayerfully and financially, for missionaries abroad, as well as support for a "home" missionary, and a radio broadcast ministry going into East Africa.

The pandemic did not slow down or hinder the church ministry. We often made the statement, "the BUILDING was closed during the pandemic, but not the CHURCH". Weekly services were continued on ZOOM. In addition, two ministries via ZOOM grew out of the COVID pandemic - one dedicated to women's issues, prayer, spiritual "upkeep" and fellowship; the other a ministry dedicated to men's challenges called "Boots, No Heels."

The greatest blessing in these ministries, other than the continuous fellowship, is that individuals from all over the world are encouraged. There is a blessing for those who participate, and for those who just login to listen.

We are also intimately involved in food giveaways. Our Love Package Ministry ministers to Christian leaders all over the world by mailing boxes of used and new books. Many of these leaders are also encouraged through the radio ministry.

In October 2021, we rejoiced in celebrating the 40th anniversary of the church, being reminded that GOD is faithful through all things. One of our church theme statements is, "Little is much when GOD is in it."

With the help of the LORD, we hope to do more evangelistic outreach and outdoor activities with the youth, children's events, Bible studies and social events. Touching lives is what we are all about.

If you are ever in the area, we invite you to join us on ZOOM, because we don't consider you "visitors," we consider you "friends that we have just met."

To GOD be the glory!

## *Commended Worker*

*Carmen Anderson-Harris*

August 10, 2023 marked fifty-nine marvelous years in the service of King Jesus. I give Him my thanks, my heart, my claims to my life for His use and joy. I began serving in Youth For Christ on Saturday nights at the Coke Methodist Church Hall in Kingston, Jamaica. I had no intention of becoming a missionary or anything special in the work of the Lord, but God had other plans.

One night at a Youth Rally, God spoke to me through the message of the late Ernie Wilson. He challenged us to set out and act on our faith, and believe in our Lord Jesus Christ. I cringed as the Spirit of God spoke.

The wrestling continued until I spoke with brother Ernie about my struggles. He was gracious and kind, for it is a tender moment when the Lord is speaking to one's heart about choices to be made. He encouraged me to go to Christian Literature Crusade and speak with then George DaCosta. The short version is they needed a manager for their bookstore, so I was given the opportunity to help that very day. I stayed for their weekly prayer meeting and discussion, and the rest is history.

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To be obedient, I finally ripped up the letters I had received about working at the new telegraph office of the General Post Office, and boldly said, "Lord if you can use anything, use me"! I never looked back or regretted that step of faith.

God made a promise to me as I cried out to Him for help. Understanding this, I spoke with my Elders at Bethany Gospel Chapel. They prayed with me and pledged to support my efforts as the Lord directed, which He did. I had many mountains to climb, rivers to cross, steep steps to ascend,, tears to shed, hunger and doubts, but God kept His word and gave me the courage to keep mine.

I served the Lord in Philadelphia with the Germantown Assembly until after four years I moved to the Willingboro Assembly to serve this young assembly. My husband Edward was called home to glory, but the Lord helped me as a widow to carry on in a few ministries.

# *IN STEWARDS THAT A MAN BE FOUND FAITHFUL”*

Twenty-five years ago, I began serving in nursing home ministries; now they are thriving. I have a team of four that meets every second Sunday of the month at 2 PM at the Wynwood facility. On November 10th, we will celebrate ten years of service. Pray for me and the team.

Many doors have been opened by the Lord during this journey. He has allowed me to travel to countries with young folks to tell others about His love. To show His love practically in building latrines and classrooms, and to work in camps as a teacher. Many have been saved, for which I thank God as I will be with them in heaven singing and giving glory to Him for all that He has done.

The Lord called me; He delivered me from death, rape, racial attacks and smart talk. He granted me courage after the death of my parents, and my husband. God continues to sustain me and broaden my spheres of influence, helping me show those who are captives to sin how they can be free from their bondage. God is so good and wonderful, I cannot stop telling people the good and great news of my Lord!

Your prayers would be appreciated for the ongoing outreach to children through story time on the phone, YouTube messages and in writing books. Also, pray for my home assembly, Willingboro Christian Assembly, and for its evangelistic outreach, and pray that the Lord will help in the expansion of my ministry, and provide the necessary equipment used in it.

Please check out my children’s books: [Mr Whiskers](#), [The Cats Who Adopted Me](#) and [Prince, the Unexpected Visitor](#) (ages 4 to 12)

“Teach me, oh Lord thy ways  
For I am prone to go astray  
Seeking my own promised  
land,  
Instead of fully trusting your  
hands

Your plans are different from  
mine,  
Dear Lord, remind me I am  
thine  
Trusting your plans, no matter  
the test,  
With you, I can be my very  
best”



## *News You Can Use*

### *New Demand Note Program*

Plans are being made to launch a new Demand Note Program at the beginning of 2024. The vision for this program is to increase the funds available for the Health Care Assistance Program (HCAP). Ultimately, the goal is to extend the annual HCAP gift to additional commended workers from Member Assemblies without the stipulation that the assembly have a current Stewards Foundation loan.

### *A Look Back*

William McCartney’s vision for Stewards Foundation was to channel funds from Christians willing to invest in the Lord’s work into loans for New Testament patterned assemblies to purchase or construct facilities.

Bonds were sold to those willing to invest in this endeavor. Investors not only got the benefit of knowing they were helping in the Lord’s work, but received a return on their investment.

The concept for this new program comes from looking back to the original idea behind Stewards Foundation: create a channel to enhance the funding of HCAP. Member Assemblies that want to boost the revenue going into HCAP can invest in a Demand Note and at the same time receive a return on their investment.

### *Assisting the Lord’s Servants*

Assisting commended workers with health care goes back to the days when Stewards Foundation owned or controlled the operation of six hospitals. From 1953 to the sale of the hospitals in 1982, many of the Lord’s servants were provided with reduced cost or free health care.

By the mid-1990’s, medical costs had risen so dramatically that the Board of Trustees realized a change was necessary. At the end of 1994, the Board made the decision to convert this ministry into an annual gift program that continues to this day. From 1995 through 2023, over \$16,000,000 has been given to commended workers in HCAP to assist with medical expenses.

Today, Stewards Foundation’s desire is to take a step forward in assisting the Lord’s servants with the ever-increasing, ongoing cost of health care.

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Psalms 126:3, “The LORD hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad”

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### ***The New Program***

Stewards Foundation will stand behind each investor by guaranteeing the principal investment of the Demand Notes.

Proceeds from the New Demand Note Program will not be used for other Stewards Foundation expenses or activities such as loans, but devoted entirely to enhancing HCAP.

If your assembly is a Members Assembly, and has an interest in this new program or simply would like more information, please contact the office at 972-726-6550. You may also reach me, Doug Rice, at my cell number, 469-387-5535.



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